

**This week's news
for St George's, Tuffley
with St Margaret's, Whaddon**

19 August 2018

TRINITY 12

Wisdom for Life

WELCOME

Please take a moment to introduce yourself to our Vicar Bruce or one of our Churchwardens, (Mike or Sylvia E at St George's) (Jonathan at St Margaret's) or the welcomers. Please join us for coffee in the small hall after the 10.30am service. Both churches are fitted with an inductive loop; to hear the service better, those with hearing aids should switch them to the appropriate setting.

OUR WORSHIP TODAY:

10.30am	PARISH COMMUNION at St George's	
	Deacon	Joceline
	Chalice	Joceline & Linda
	Servers	Linda & Jayne +
	Organist	Paula
	Intercessions	Susan
	Readers	Linda M & Joceline
	Welcomers	Darrell & Glenda
	Coffee	Glenice & Stella
12.30pm	Baptism of Jax Oakley Bradford at St George's	
3.00pm	PARISH PICNIC at St George's	

PRAYER FOR TODAY:

God of constant mercy,
who sent your Son to save us:
remind us of your goodness,
increase your grace within us,
that our thankfulness may grow,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN**

READINGS AT THE COMMUNION – Year B

Please see service sheet

HYMNS at the 10.30am

Mission Praise

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POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

God of all mercy, in this eucharist
you have set aside our sins
and given us your healing:
grant that we who are made whole in Christ
may bring that healing to this broken world,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN**

IN MEMORIAM:

Christine Shipley, Margaret Harvey RIP

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH:

Frederick Shipp, Ian Smith, Beatrice Martin, Freda Turner, David Brownjohn, Esme Ashton, Agatha Glas, Violet Meadows, Paul Chaffe, Dennis Evans, Gertrude Howell, Laura Martin, Gladys Hail.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES:

Darrell Stevens 20th, Rose Hail 24th, Mike Brammer 25th.
If you would like a birthday or anniversary mentioned in Signpost please tell Glenda.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE:

3rd calling at St George's

Martin James Cullis & Wendy Rodger

VERSE FOR THE WEEK:

"Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them" (John 6:56)

THIS WEEK WE PRAY FOR:

- Those students whose exam results have left them unsure what to do next
- The planning of October's St Margaret's festival
- The residents of Duke of Beaufort Court, Podsmead

AWESOME AUGUST CHANGE OF DATE:

Since 27 August is a Bank Holiday the group has agreed we will meet on Tuesday 28 August instead.

A huge **THANK YOU** to everyone for your donations and support towards our trip to Soul Survivor on 24th August. Your generosity has been astounding. We have managed to cover all the costs involved in getting us both away for the week with our friends at English Martyrs and Grange Baptist. Soul Survivor is a 5 day camp for teens and is a fabulous opportunity for them to come together to hear appropriate Bible teaching, experience and participate in vibrant worship, draw close to Jesus and have fun. Please pray for us as we go. HELEN & SOPHIA

PRINTING EQUIPMENT:

We've very grateful for our photocopier and duplicator both of which have given some 20 years of faithful service for St George's and St Margaret's. However, over recent months it's become unreliable, breaking down several times, disrupting our work and requiring service calls at significant cost. So we need to find a replacement. After researching, we've identified the most economical one that would meet our requirements: it costs £3,500.00 it isn't new but has been refurbished. But we don't have that kind of cash available. If you can help in any way, please let David Westcott know by end of August, ready for our Joint PCC to make a decision on Tuesday 4 September. And please pray God's wisdom for our PCC in its decision making. Many thanks.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

If you would like to join the coffee rota for after the 10.30am service on a Sunday morning we would be very grateful. If you can help please see Margaret Barber. Thank you.

There will be a **PARISH PICNIC for all**, the theme being a **VICTORIAN TEA PARTY TODAY** at 3.00pm on the green at St George's. Do come and bring your friends.

ST GEORGE'S SUMMER TEA:

Next Sunday 26 August - 4.30pm

Come and enjoy a summer tea with sandwiches, scones, jam and cream followed by trifle, cheesecake and a selection of cakes with the bottomless teapot all for just £6.00 per person. Please sign up on the list in St George's porch. Thank you.

GLOUCESTER AMATEUR GARDENING SOCIETY ANNUAL SHOW:

Is on 1 September: please consult the booklet at back of St George's church for details of classes and entry forms.

WHADDON FESTIVAL APPEAL:

We are appealing for photographs taken pre-1960 of the Tuffley/Whaddon areas to use during the Whaddon Festival being held the first week in October.

If you can help and are willing for your pictures to be scanned, be assured that they would be returned within a short space of time. Please contact Hans on Glos. 528939.

COMING SOON: - AUGUST

- Tue 28 Coffee Pot from 9.00am until 11.30am
Mike's team
Awesome August – 7.00pm - SL
- Wed 29 Awesome August 2.00pm – 3.00pm – V
St Margaret's wedding rehearsal - 6.00pm
Gardening Club Committee – 7.00pm – SL
- Thu 30 Crematorium funeral at 12.00noon
for the late Christine Shipley RIP
- Fri 31 St Margaret's wedding
for Nicholas Hall & Alice Brazington
Gardening Club Show preparation

SEPTEMBER

- Sat 1 Gardening Club Annual Show – 2.00pm
Gloucester Day Procession – 2.00pm
- Sun 2 St George's Baptism
Salt & Light at English Martyrs – 3.00pm

MH = Main Hall, SH = Small Hall, SL = Softley Lounge,
V = Vicarage, O = Office, * St Margaret's

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The Administration office is open on Wednesday,
Thursday & Friday mornings from 9.00am – 12.00noon.

TODAY

	Coffee
3.00pm	Parish Picnic

MONDAY 20- Centre floor stripping & polishing week

	Coffee Pot set up – MH
7.00pm	Awesome August – SL

TUESDAY 21

9.00am	Coffee Pot – Jill's team – MH
9.30am	Parish Communion at St George's
2.00pm	Songs of Praise at Duke of Beaufort Court

WEDNESDAY 22

2.00pm	Awesome August – V
3.30pm	Slimming World also at 5.30pm & 7.30pm-MH

THURSDAY 23

8.15am	Morning Prayer – V
9.00am	September/October Crossroads collating
10.30am	Parish Communion at St Margaret's
11.30am	Crematorium funeral for the late Elizabeth (Bess) Hyett RIP

FRIDAY 24

SATURDAY 25

	Summer tea preparation
1.00pm	Wedding blessing for Colin and Sandra Sheppard at Eastington

SUNDAY 26 – White Boxes

4.00pm	Private let – SH
4.30pm	Summer Tea – MH

SUNDAY 26 – TRINITY 13

9.00am	PARISH COMMUNION at St Margaret's	
10.30am	PARISH COMMUNION followed by prayers for healing at St George's	
	Deacon	Susan
	Chalice	Susan & Dot
	Servers	Dot & Pat+
	Organist	Paula
	Intercessions	Sarah
	Readers	Sylvia c & Rosie
	Welcomers	Roger & Brenda
	Coffee	Dianne & Anne

Readings at the Communion – Year B

- 1 Kings 8:22-30, 41-43;
- Psalm 84;
- Ephesians 6:10-20;
- John 6:56-69



Worshipping, Caring, Pioneering

Sunday 19 August 2018

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1 Kings 2.10-12, 3.3-14 God invites Solomon to ask for anything

¹⁰ Then David slept with his ancestors, and was buried in the city of David. ¹¹The time that David reigned over Israel was forty years; he reigned for seven years in Hebron, and thirty-three years in Jerusalem. ¹²So Solomon sat on the throne of his father David; and his kingdom was firmly established.

³ Solomon loved the Lord, walking in the statutes of his father David; only, he sacrificed and offered incense at the high places. ⁴The king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the principal high place; Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt-offerings on that altar. ⁵At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, 'Ask what I should give you.' ⁶And Solomon said, 'You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart towards you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. ⁷And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. ⁸And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. ⁹Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?'

¹⁰ It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. ¹¹God said to him, 'Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, ¹²I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you. ¹³I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honour all your life; no other king shall compare with you. ¹⁴If you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your life.'

Prayer: Lord thank You that Solomon recognised he needed your help, so asked for wisdom and nothing more. Amen

Psalm 11 Honouring the Lord

1 Alleluia.

- I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, •
in the company of the faithful and in the congregation.
- 2 The works of the Lord are great, •
sought out by all who delight in them.
- 3 His work is full of majesty and honour •
and his righteousness endures for ever.
- 4 He appointed a memorial for his marvellous deeds; •
the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.
- 5 He gave food to those who feared him; •
he is ever mindful of his covenant.
- 6 He showed his people the power of his works •
in giving them the heritage of the nations.
- 7 The works of his hands are truth and justice; •
all his commandments are sure.
- 8 They stand fast for ever and ever; •
they are done in truth and equity.
- 9 He sent redemption to his people;
he commanded his covenant for ever; •
holy and awesome is his name.
- 10 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;
a good understanding have those who live by it; •
his praise endures for ever.

Ephesians 5.15-20 Practical Christian living

¹⁵ Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, ¹⁶making the most of the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, ²⁰giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Prayer: Lord thank you for your spirit of understanding and thankfulness and praise. Amen

John 6.51-58 Sustenance for eternity

⁵¹ I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.'

⁵² The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' ⁵³So Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; ⁵⁵for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. ⁵⁶Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. ⁵⁷Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. ⁵⁸This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live for ever.'

Prayer: Lord You've given yourself completely so we can abide in You. Help us also to let you abide in us, always. Amen