

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

**8 July 2018**

**TRINITY 6**

**Getting on with the task**

**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:**

Our preacher today is Jonathan

9.00am	<b>PARISH COMMUNION at St Margaret's</b>	
10.30am	<b>PARISH COMMUNION at St George's</b>	
	Deacon	Sylvia C
	Chalice	Sylvia C & Roger
	Servers	Roger & Pat
	Organist	Paula
	Intercessions	Paul
	Readers	Dot & Sarah
	Welcomers	Dot & Karen
	Coffee	Margaret & Glenda
12.30pm	<b>BAPTISM at St George's – Today we welcome Tommy Williams-Everitt to the Lord's Family</b>	

**PRAYER FOR TODAY:**

Creator God,  
you made us all in your image:  
may we discern you in all that we see,  
and serve you in all that we do;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN**

**READINGS AT THE COMMUNION – Year B**

Please see service sheet

**HYMNS at the 10.30am St George's service**

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Anthem during Holy Communion  
'He Came Singing Love' by Colin Gibson

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER:**

God of our pilgrimage,  
you have led us to the living water:  
refresh and sustain us  
as we go forward on our journey,  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN**

**IN MEMORIAM:**

Janet Farr RIP

**ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH:**

Frank Blewitt, Megan Evans, Alexandra Hay, Ann Smith, Terrence Maley, Elizabeth Townsend, Dennis Freeman, Lorraine Morgan, Mary Guest, Raymond Locke, Edna Duncan, Christabel Hutchins, Cynthia Warwick.

**BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES:**

Hans Rackham 11<sup>th</sup>, Rev'd Bruce 12<sup>th</sup>  
Sylvia Chamberlain 13<sup>th</sup>.

If you would like a birthday or anniversary mentioned in Signpost please tell Glenda.

**THIS WEEK WE PRAY FOR:**

- The local Catholic churches' mission from 30 June to 15 July: "O God be at the heart of our parish and in all our hearts. Strengthen our faith and our hope in your promises. Grant us a spirit of self-sacrifice, so we may radiate Your love to all. Help us reach out with joy and mercy to build a loving, healing community. Through Christ our Lord. Amen"
- The NHS: "Lord we thank you for the outstanding achievements of our health service during the last 70 years, for the advances in science and technology, for the extraordinary staff, everyday heroes who are there to greet and advise, treat and care for us; and for how the service has promoted the health of each of us with our own personal stories. You know the immense challenges it faces today; give us wisdom and courage as a nation to promote the health of all for the future.

**OFFERINGS AT SUNDAY SERVICES:**

For a trial period that started on 1 July, we have a collection plate at the back of the church for those who wish to place their gift as they arrive, rather than passing the plate while we're singing a hymn. Thank you.

**SPONSORED LEARNING OF BIBLE-VERSES:**

Please take these home and have instructive fun learning some key Bible verses to help sponsor our young people for the 'Soul Survivor' camp this summer. We have till 12 August!

**THIS WEEK'S BIBLE VERSES MEMORY CHALLENGE:**

John 3:16 "For God so love the world that he gave his one and only son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life"  
Romans 12:2 "Do not confirm to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is – his good, pleasing and perfect will"

**JOINT PARISHES MISSION AT ENGLISH MARTYRS TUFFLEY AND ST AUGUSTINE'S MATSON:**

From the 7 - 14 July there are a number of services being facilitated by the Sion Community for Evangelisation at these Churches for their Mission which are suitable for all Christians. You are welcome to attend any of these, for further details see the noticeboard/flyers.

### LET ME ENTERTAIN: – Friday 20 July – 7.30pm

This is a concert for you, by members and friends of St George's and St Margaret's whose sole aim is to entertain you and to give you an evening where you can just sit back and relax. There will be a light supper for you to enjoy and soft drinks will be on sale on a first come first served basis. Tickets on sale from Glenda at a cost of £5 per person.

### SUNFLOWER SHOW:

Get your sunflower ready for 12 August - the show of the year!

### 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.

### MOTHERS' UNION DIARIES AND CALENDARS FOR 2019:

The diaries are £3.95, A4 calendars £1.45 and the Year Planners £3.00. If anyone would like to order any of these please let me know asap. Sylvia C

### RAFFLE PRIZES:

If you should have any unwanted gifts that you are unlikely to use we would be pleased to add them to our diminishing stock of items for raffles etc. Glenda

### THANK YOU:

I would like to thank everyone who sent their love, prayers and cards to wish me well during my recent illness. Pleased to say that I am on the mend, not 100% but making progress even during this very hot weather. Love to you all. Gloria

### COMING SOON:-JULY

- Mon 16 Open the Book at Grange with Hans, Mike & Laura – *Jesus and the Taxman*
- Tue 17 Coffee Pot – Mike's team  
Social Committee – SL – 7.30pm
- Fri 20 'Let me Entertain You' at 7.30pm in the Main Hall  
Tickets from Glenda at £5 to include a light supper.
- Sat 21 *Ploughman's Lunch at 14 Randwick Road*
- Tue 24 Coffee Pot – Jill's team
- Fri 27 *Quiet Prayer Group at St James, Quedgeley*
- Sun 29 White Box Sunday
- Tue 31 Coffee Pot – Mike's team

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 & Cake Sale after the 10.30am service
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### MONDAY 9

9.15am	Open the Book at Grange with Hans, Roger & Dianne <i>Jesus and the children</i>
10.00am	Aphasia-Now – SH & SL
5.00pm	Brownies – MH
6.10pm	Rainbows - SH
7.00pm	Guides – MH
7.30pm	Mission Service 'God the Father' at English Martyrs
9.00pm	Coffee Pot set up – MH

### TUESDAY 10

9.00am	Coffee Pot – Jill's team – MH
9.30am	<b>Parish Communion at St George's</b>
2.30pm	Mothers' Union – SH
4.00pm	Tuffley Festival de-briefing - 12 Ryelands
6.30pm	Cubs – MH
7.30pm	Mission service 'God the Son' at English Martyrs

### WEDNESDAY 11

11.00am	St Margaret's Festival planning – V
3.30pm	Slimming World also at 5.30pm & 7.30pm-MH

### THURSDAY 12

8.15am	<b>Morning Prayer – V</b>
9.15am	Open the Book at Harewood with Sylvia, Roger, Dot & Jill <i>The Secret Baby &amp; The Burning Bush</i>
10.30am	<b>Parish Communion at St Margaret's</b>
10.30am	Day Centre – SH & SL
6.00pm	Beavers followed by Scouts at 7.15pm – MH
7.30pm	Charter Band – SH & SL
7.30pm	Mission service 'God the Holy Spirit' at English Martyrs

### FRIDAY 13 – August crossroads deadline

3.00pm	Harewood Junior School Fete including Messy church stall
7.30pm	Entertainers – SH
7.30pm	Gardening Club – MH

### SATURDAY 14

### SUNDAY 15

	Coffee after the 10.30am service
12 noon	Friends of Robinswood Hill trips to the top until 4.00pm – see poster on notice board

### SUNDAY 15 – TRINITY 7

10.30am	<b>PARISH COMMUNION at St George's</b>	
	Deacon	Derek
	Chalice	Derek & David
	Servers	David & Sylvia E +
	Organist	Paula
	Intercessions	Susan
	Readers	Joceline & David
	Welcomers	Linda & Jayne
	Coffee	Dianne & Anne
5.00pm	<b>EVENSONG at St Margaret's</b>	

### Readings at the Communion – Year B

2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19; Psalm 24; Ephesians 1:3-14; Mark 6:14-29



*Worshipping, Caring, Pioneering*

Sunday 8 July 2018

### Getting on with the task

2 Samuel 5 1-5, 9-10     *David Anointed King of All Israel*

<sup>1</sup>Then all the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron, and said, 'Look, we are your bone and flesh. <sup>2</sup>For some time, while Saul was king over us, it was you who led out Israel and brought it in. The Lord said to you: It is you who shall be shepherd of my people Israel, you who shall be ruler over Israel.' <sup>3</sup>So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron; and King David made a covenant with them at Hebron before the Lord, and they anointed David king over Israel. <sup>4</sup>David was thirty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned for forty years. <sup>5</sup>At Hebron he reigned over Judah for seven years and six months; and at Jerusalem he reigned over all Israel and Judah for thirty-three years. <sup>9</sup>David occupied the stronghold, and named it the city of David. David built the city all around from the Millo inwards. <sup>10</sup>And David became greater and greater, for the Lord, the God of hosts, was with him.

Prayer: *Lord, help us, like David, to be faithful to our task. Amen*

*Psalms 48*

- 1 Great is the Lord and highly to be praised, •  
in the city of our God.
- 2 His holy mountain is fair and lifted high, •  
the joy of all the earth.**
- 3 On Mount Zion, the divine dwelling place, •  
stands the city of the great king.
- 4 In her palaces God has shown himself •  
to be a sure refuge.**
- 5 For behold, the kings of the earth assembled •  
and swept forward together.
- 6 They saw, and were dumbfounded; •  
dismayed, they fled in terror.**
- 7 Trembling seized them there;  
they writhed like a woman in labour, •  
as when the east wind shatters the ships of Tarshish.
- 8 As we had heard, so have we seen  
in the city of the Lord of hosts, the city of our  
God: • God has established her for ever.**
- 9 We have waited on your loving-kindness, O God, •  
in the midst of your temple.
- 10 As with your name, O God,  
so your praise reaches to the ends of the earth; •  
your right hand is full of justice.**
- 11 Let Mount Zion rejoice and the daughters of Judah be  
glad, • because of your judgements, O Lord.
- 12 Walk about Zion and go round about her;  
count all her towers; consider well her bulwarks;  
pass through her citadels,**
- 13 That you may tell those who come after  
that such is our God for ever and ever. •  
It is he that shall be our guide for evermore.

2 Corinthians 12. 2-10

### *Vision and elation, torment and grace*

<sup>2</sup>I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. <sup>3</sup>And I know that such a person whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows <sup>4</sup>was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. <sup>5</sup>On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. <sup>6</sup>But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, <sup>7</sup>even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep <sup>8</sup>me from being too elated, a thorn was given to me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. <sup>9</sup>Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, <sup>9</sup>but he said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for power <sup>10</sup>is made perfect in weakness.' So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. <sup>10</sup>Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

Prayer: *Father, we all have to bear some affliction in our lives. May we do that with grace, and find it a source of strength. Amen*

*Mark 6. 1-13*

### *The Rejection of Jesus at Nazareth*

<sup>1</sup>Jesus left that place and came to his home town, and his disciples followed him. <sup>2</sup>On the Sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, 'Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! <sup>3</sup>Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary <sup>4</sup>and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?' And they took offence <sup>5</sup>at him. <sup>4</sup>Then Jesus said to them, 'Prophets are not without honour, except in their home town, and among their own kin, and in their own house.' <sup>5</sup>And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. <sup>6</sup>And he was amazed at their unbelief.

### *The Mission of the Twelve*

Then he went about among the villages teaching. <sup>7</sup>He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. <sup>8</sup>He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; <sup>9</sup>but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. <sup>10</sup>He said to them, 'Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. <sup>11</sup>If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.' <sup>12</sup>So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. <sup>13</sup>They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

Prayer: *Dear Lord Jesus, keep us focused on our work for your kingdom. Amen*