

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

2 September 2018

TRINITY 14

Inside Out

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	FAMILY PRAISE at St Margaret's	
10.30am	PARISH COMMUNION at St George's	
	Deacon	Joceline
	Chalice	Joceline & David
	Servers	David & Sylvia C +
	Organist	Paula
	Intercessions	Derek
	Readers	Sylvia E & Dot
	Welcomers	David & Angela
	Coffee	Sylvia E & Mac
12.30pm	BAPTISM at St George's Today we welcome Anthony John Junior Halford and Preston John Halford to the Lord's Family	
5.00pm	EVENSONG including prayers for healing at St Margaret's	

PRAYER FOR TODAY:

Merciful God,
your Son came to save us
and bore our sins on the cross:
may we trust in your mercy
and know your love,
rejoicing in the righteousness
that is ours 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

184 - 84 - 631 - 284(H.C.) - final hymn on screen

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

Lord God, the source of truth and love,
keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship,
united in prayer and the breaking of bread,
and one in joy and simplicity of heart
in Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN**

IN MEMORIAM:

Christine Shipley, Margaret Harvey,
Elizabeth (Bess) Hyett RIP

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH:

Mavis Oldfield, Anne Waite, Stephen Greatorex,
George Ball, Beatrice Collett, Barbara Hellaby,
Glenice Hern, May Milns, Maud East, Jackie Oates,
Chris Stonham, John Franklin, Charles Mann,
Grenville Chapman, Mary Stewart.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES:

Sylvia Evans 8th, and Bruce & Gloria Wiggall celebrate their 58th wedding anniversary on 3rd.

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

VERSE FOR THE WEEK:

"There is nothing that goes into you from the outside which can make you ritually unclean. Rather, it is what comes out of you that makes you unclean." [Mark 7:15]

THIS WEEK WE PRAY FOR:

- our city celebrating our history in the annual History Festival
- those starting school
- all taking part in Messy church this Saturday

PARKING AT ST MARGARET'S:

We have been asked not to use the spaces in front of the Wynstones School entrance in Church Lane. These are often needed by school staff at weekends or evenings – not just in school hours. (For example the spaces may be empty at 8.30am on a Sunday but by 10.00am they may well be needed by staff members). We do value our good relationship with the school so please co-operate with this request.

ARE YOU ABLE TO HELP?

We are accumulating a fair amount resources for our special events together. It would be really helpful to be able to store them somewhere outside of church as our storage space here is limited. Please do contact me if you have a wee bit of space in a garage or shed where a few boxes can be kept safe. Thanks very much. Helen (07729615993 or tuffleypioneer@gmail.com)

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.

INVITATIONS:

If you are able to deliver invitations for Messy church and Marriage Celebration we would be very grateful. Thank you.

SUMMER TEA:

Thank you to everyone who supported the tea last Sunday, we raised the sum of £200.00 for St George's church.

OBERAMMERGAU 2020:

every 10 years this Austrian village erupts with its famous Passion play. We're considering a possible group from Tuffley for a one-week pilgrimage holiday to include the Passion play, during summer 2020. Illustrative details are posted on St George's porch. Might you be interested? Please let Bruce know by TODAY.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE POLICE MALE VOICE CHOIR & ANGIE'S COMMUNITY CHOIR CONCERT ON FRIDAY, 21 SEPTEMBER, ST GEORGE'S CHURCH - 7.30pm.

Tickets at £7.50 now available from Glenda on 307456 or Darrell on 410507.

LOCAL HISTORIC PHOTOS:

We are appealing for photographs taken pre-1960 of the Tuffley/Whaddon areas to use during the St Margaret's 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.

HARVEST SUPPER – Saturday, 6 October 2018

Bookings now being taken by Sylvia Evans on 07753184604, please purchase your tickets at £10.00 per person by Sunday, 30 September. More information in the September/October Crossroads magazine.

REDOS:

Can anyone remember the names and the positions of the Disciples portrayed in our Reredos in the Sanctuary, if you do please let me know I get asked so many times when talking to visitors to St George's. Thanks Darrell

COMING SOON: - SEPTEMBER

- Mon 10 Open the Book at Grange with Hans & David 'In the Beginning' – 9.15am & 9.30am
- Tue 11 Mothers' Union – 2.30pm – SH
- Wed 12 St George's Singing Group in church – 7.00pm
- Wed 19 Refresh at Grange Baptist - 7.30pm
- Fri 21 Gloucestershire Police Male Voice and Angie's Community Choir in concert at St George's, 7.30pm start
- Wed 26 Gardening Club Committee – 7.00pm – SL
- Fri 28 Quiet Prayer Group at Grange Baptist – 2.30pm
- Sun 30 Festival Songs of Praise at St Margaret's–5.00pm

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 after the 10.30am service
3.00pm	Faith & Light at English Martyrs

MONDAY 3

9.30am	Civic flag raising at the Docks
10.00am	Speakability – SH
	Coffee Pot set up – MH

TUESDAY 4

9.00am	Coffee Pot – Mike's team – MH
9.30am	Parish Communion at St George's
7.00pm	Benefice PCC meeting – V

WEDNESDAY 5

3.30pm	Slimming World also at 5.30pm & 7.30pm-MH
4.00pm	Authorised leaders meeting
5.00pm	St Margaret's Festival planning
7.00pm	St George's Singing Group in Church 7.00pm

THURSDAY 6

8.15am	Morning Prayer – V
10.30am	Parish Communion at St Margaret's
10.30am	Day Centre – SH & SL
4.00pm	Pastoral Care Group – V
7.30pm	Finance Committee meeting – O
7.30pm	Charter Band – SH & SL
7.30pm	Railway Society – 12 Ryelands

FRIDAY 7

7.30pm	Gardening Club – MH
7.30pm	Entertainers – SH

SATURDAY 8

	Ride & Stride Day
10.00am	Messy church – all welcome

SUNDAY 9

	Coffee, Cake Sale & 100 Club Draw after the 10.30am service
12 noon	Robinswood Hill trips – see poster for details

SUNDAY 9 – TRINITY 15

9.00am	PARISH COMMUNION at St Margaret's	
10.30am	PARISH COMMUNION at St George's	
	Deacon	Jonathan
	Chalice	Jonathan & Roger
	Servers	Roger & Mark +
	Organist	Paula
	Intercessions	Paul
	Readers	Derek & Linda M
	Welcomers	Linda & Jayne
	Coffee	t.b.c.

Readings at the Communion – Year B

- Proverbs 22; 1-2, 8, 9, 22, 23;
- Psalms 125;
- James 2:1-10, 14-17;
- Mark 7:24-end



Worshipping, Caring, Pioneering
'Growing God's Kingdom'

Sunday 2 September 2018

Inside Out

Song of Solomon 2.8-13 Courtship re-lived

⁸ The voice of my beloved!
Look, he comes,
leaping upon the mountains, bounding over the hills.
⁹ My beloved is like a gazelle or a young stag.
Look, there he stands
behind our wall, gazing in at the windows,
looking through the lattice.
¹⁰ My beloved speaks and says to me:
'Arise, my love, my fair one,
and come away;
¹¹ for now the winter is past,
the rain is over and gone.
¹² The flowers appear on the earth;
the time of singing has come,
and the voice of the turtle-dove
is heard in our land.
¹³ The fig tree puts forth its figs, and the vines are in
blossom; they give forth fragrance.
Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away.

Prayer: Lord we are Your beloved and You are ours; come soon and call us to you. Amen

Psalms 45 A poem for the King's wedding

1 My heart is astir with gracious words; •
as I make my song for the king,
my tongue is the pen of a ready writer.
2 You are the fairest of men; • **full of grace are your lips, for God has blest you for ever.**
6 Your throne is God's throne, for ever; • **the sceptre of your kingdom is the sceptre of righteousness.**
7 You love righteousness and hate iniquity; •
therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness above your fellows.
8 All your garments are fragrant with myrrh, aloes and cassia; • **from ivory palaces the music of strings makes you glad.**
9 Kings' daughters are among your honourable women; •
at your right hand stands the queen in gold of Ophir.

James 1.17-end Christian Lifestyle

¹⁷ Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. ¹⁸In fulfilment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

Hearing and Acting on the Word

¹⁹ You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; ²⁰for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. ²¹Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls.

²² But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. ²³For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; ²⁴for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. ²⁵But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act – they will be blessed in their doing. If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. ²⁷Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

Prayer: Lord help us to live consistently a life that shows the faith we proclaim. Amen

Mark 7.1-8, 14, 15, 21-23

Outer Purity

⁷ Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around Jesus, ²they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. ³For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they ceremonially wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; ⁴and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles. ⁵So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?' ⁶He said to them, 'Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, *"This people honours me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; ⁷in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines."* ⁸You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.'

Inner Purity

¹⁴ Then he called the crowd again and said to them, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand: ¹⁵there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.'... ²¹For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, ²²adultery, greed, malice, deceit, lewdness, envy, slander, pride, folly. ²³All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.'

Prayer: Lord help us focus on goodness from the inside out. Amen