

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

23 September 2018

TRINITY 17

Attractive Welcome

WELCOME

**This week we welcome Rev'd Canon Michael Butler
to lead our 9.00am & 10.30am services**

Please take a moment to introduce yourself to our Vicar Bruce or one of our Churchwardens, (Linda or Jayne 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:

9.00am	PARISH COMMUNION at St Margaret's	
10.30am	PARISH COMMUNION at St George's	
	Deacon	Derek
	Chalice	Derek & Dot
	Servers	Dot & Pat+
	Organist	Paula
	Intercessions	Sylvia C
	Readers	Sarah & David
	Welcomers	Margaret & Mark
	Coffee	Margaret & Glenda

PRAYER FOR TODAY:

Gracious God,
you call us to fullness of life:
deliver us from unbelief
and banish our anxieties
with the liberating love of 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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POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

Lord, we pray that your grace
may always precede and follow us,
and make us continually to be given to all good works;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN.**

IN MEMORIAM:

Elizabeth (Bess) Hyett, George Williams, Norman Worth,
Avril Smith RIP

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH:

Edward Addis, Kenneth Burge, Marjorie Thompson,
Valerie Robertshaw, Janet Geaves, Gladys Aldridge,
Charles Overthrow, Ronald Perratt, Merva Arthur,
Helen Rich, Roger Badham.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES:

Ruby Jenkins 24th, Marjorie Cotterill 26th,
David & Sylvia Evans celebrate their 29th wedding
anniversary on 23rd and Darrell & Glenda Stevens
celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on 28th.

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

VERSE FOR THE WEEK:

'Jesus said, whoever welcomes one child in my name
welcomes me' (Mark 9:37)

THIS WEEK WE PRAY FOR:

- the Quiet Prayer Group, and all of us as we seek to meet with God in prayer
- Helen, in the first weeks of her ordination training
- students embarking on university and college courses

SSHHH!

Please note that to help prepare for the service, some people like to be quiet for a few moments. From the time the bell rings a couple of minutes before the service begins, please can we all be respectfully quiet to enjoy God's holy presence among us together. Thank you!

QUIET PRAYER GROUP:

We are a group of people from a number of different churches who meet about once a month to share a time of quiet prayer and contemplation together. The next meeting is at Grange Baptist Church, next Friday, 28 September at 2.30pm. Everyone is very welcome to join us.

VICARAGE COOKING APPLES:

Please pick your own!

ROTAS:

New rotas covering October to January are now available from the 'kangaroo'; please remember to collect yours today. Thank you.

ST MARGARET'S FESTIVAL PARKING

Parking for all the main events will be at Wynstones School. Please use this, and where possible make sure that others are aware of this. Church Lane can soon become very congested.

MUSIC MAKERS - 12.15pm - 30 September.

Come and be introduced to some new hymns and worship songs - or bring along your neglected favourites! All welcome to this informal session. If you have an instrument come and busk along. Details from Paula or Helen.

HARVEST GIFTS

From St Margaret's on 7 October & St George's on 14 October will be much appreciated by the Foodbank this year. A list of items most needed is enclosed with your news sheet. Thank you for your donations.

HARVEST SUPPER – Saturday, 6 October 2018

Bookings now being taken by Dot Martin on 302483, please purchase your tickets at £10.00 per person by

TODAY

More information in the September/October Crossroads magazine.

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

ST MARGARET'S FESTIVAL 30 Sept to 7 Oct

Festival Songs of Praise (Sunday 30 – 5.00pm)

Sing your heart out with favourite songs and hymns to set off our festival with praise and thanksgiving to God for creation in this magnificent historic church. And tell Jonathan or Paula beforehand what you'd like to sing!

A treat for Michaelmas (Monday 1 at 9.30am)

We'll be remembering Archangel Michael's defeat of the dragon through a procession round the church led by pupils from Wynstones School. Come and celebrate this depiction of one of the most profound events of all time!

Snetzler as it's never been heard before (Tuesday 2 at 7.30pm)

Relish a wide range of popular tunes played by internationally renowned and past Gloucester cathedral organist David Briggs; including an improvisation as we watch the classic silent Charlie Chaplin film of 1917: 'The Immigrant'. Full recital programme on church noticeboard. Book your tickets from Jonathan.

Down the years... (Wednesday 3 at 7.30pm)

Feast on photos and documents Jonathan has collected on Tuffley, Whaddon and St Margaret's as we discover how our church and area have developed through the generations

Poetry and Music (Friday 5 at 7.30pm)

Be enthralled by Gloucester's own Pam Ayres, Margaret Daniels, as she entertains us with her own perceptive insights on local life; interspersed with pieces from some of our own most talented young musicians from St Peter's and Wynstone's and Tuffley.

Marriage Celebration (Saturday 6 at 3.00pm)

Rejoice together -whether you're married or not - living with a partner, single, widowed, separated, or divorced – celebrate God's gift of marriage to the whole community.

Open church (see programme for times)

Come and be still – a rare treat to have our church open during the week. Be inspired by the flowers and exhibition.

Volunteering

Yes, St Margaret's Festival needs YOU! Spread the festival news by delivering programme fliers round Tuffley. And Come and help us to welcome visitors, serve refreshments... See the jobs list at back of church, and PLEASE sign up – THANK YOU!

TODAY

	Coffee after the 10.30am service
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MONDAY 24

9.15am & 9.30am	Open the Book at Grange with Hans & Sue 'A Special Promise'
5.15pm	Brownies – MH
6.10pm	Rainbows – SH
7.00pm	Guides – MH
9.00pm	Coffee Pot set up – MH

TUESDAY 25

9.00am	Coffee Pot – Mike's team – MH
9.30am	Parish Communion at St George's
2.00pm	Duke of Beaufort Court MACMILLAN COFFEE AFTERNOON with tea/coffee/cake & entry £1.50 - also a cake stall, raffle & number of sweets in a jar. Everyone is welcome
6.30pm	Cubs – MH

WEDNESDAY 26

10.30am	Speakability – SL
3.30pm	Slimming World also at 5.30pm & 7.30pm-MH
7.00pm	Gardening Club Committee - SL

THURSDAY 27

8.15am	Morning Prayer – St George's
10.30am	Parish Communion at St Margaret's
10.30am	Day Centre – SH & SL
1.30pm	Crematorium funeral for the late Avril May Smith RIP
6.00pm	Beavers – MH
7.15pm	Scouts – MH
7.30pm	Charter Band – SH & SL

FRIDAY 28

2.30pm	Quiet Prayer Group at Grange Baptist Church
7.30pm	Entertainers – MH

SATURDAY 29

SUNDAY 30- White Box day

	Coffee after the 10.30am service
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SUNDAY 30 – TRINITY 18

10.30am	PARISH COMMUNION at St George's	
	Deacon	Susan
	Chalice	Susan & Roger
	Servers	Roger & Sylvia C +
	Organist	Paula
	Intercessions	Sarah
	Readers	Sylvia C & Dot
	Welcomers	Hilary & Laura
	Coffee	Glenice & Stella
5.00pm	FESTIVAL SONGS OF PRAISE at St Margaret's	

Readings at the Communion – Year B

Esther 7:1-6, 9-10;

Psalms 124;

James 5:13-end;

Mark 9:38-end



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

Sunday 23 September 2018
Attractive Welcome

Proverbs 31.10-end Ode to a Capable Wife

¹⁰ A capable wife who can find?
She is far more precious than jewels.
¹¹ The heart of her husband trusts in her,
and he will have no lack of gain.
¹² She does him good, and not harm,
all the days of her life.
¹³ She seeks wool and flax,
and works with willing hands.
¹⁴ She is like the ships of the merchant,
she brings her food from far away.
¹⁵ She rises while it is still night
and provides food for her household
and tasks for her servant-girls.
¹⁶ She considers a field and buys it;
with the fruit of her hands she plants a vineyard.
¹⁷ She girds herself with strength,
and makes her arms strong.
¹⁸ She perceives that her merchandise is profitable.
Her lamp does not go out at night.
¹⁹ She puts her hands to the distaff,
and her hands hold the spindle.
²⁰ She opens her hand to the poor,
and reaches out her hands to the needy.
²¹ She is not afraid for her household when it snows,
for all her household are clothed in crimson.
²² She makes herself coverings;
her clothing is fine linen and purple.
²³ Her husband is known in the city gates,
taking his seat among the elders of the land.
²⁴ She makes linen garments and sells them;
she supplies the merchant with sashes.
²⁵ Strength and dignity are her clothing,
and she laughs at the time to come.
²⁶ She opens her mouth with wisdom,
and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue.
²⁷ She looks well to the ways of her household,
and does not eat the bread of idleness.
²⁸ Her children rise up and call her happy;
her husband too, and he praises her:
²⁹ 'Many women have done excellently,
but you surpass them all.'
³⁰ Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain,
but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised.
³¹ Give her a share in the fruit of her hands,
and let her works praise her in the city gates.
*Prayer: Lord thank You that true attractiveness depends
not on looks but on character. Amen*

Psalms 1 The way of Blessing

1 Blessed are they who have not walked
in the counsel of the wicked, •
nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the assembly of the scornful.
2 Their delight is in the law of the Lord •
and they meditate on his law day and night.
3 Like a tree planted by streams of water
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not
wither, • **whatever they do, it shall prosper.**
4 As for the wicked, it is not so with them; •
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
5 Therefore the wicked shall not be able to stand in the

judgement, • **nor the sinner in the congregation of
the righteous.**

6 For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, •
but the way of the wicked shall perish.

James 3.13-4.3, 7-8a

Two kinds of Wisdom

¹³ Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by
your good life that your works are done with gentleness
born of wisdom. ¹⁴ But if you have bitter envy and selfish
ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to
the truth. ¹⁵ Such wisdom does not come down from
above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. ¹⁶ For where
there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be
disorder and wickedness of every kind. ¹⁷ But the wisdom
from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to
yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of
partiality or hypocrisy. ¹⁸ And a harvest of righteousness is
sown in peace for those who make peace.

Friendship with the World

4 Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they
come from? Do they not come from your cravings that
are at war within you? ² You want something and do not
have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something
and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and
conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. ³ You
ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order
to spend what you get on your pleasures. ⁷ Submit
yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will
flee from you. ⁸ Draw near to God, and he will draw near
to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your
hearts, you double-minded.

*Prayer: Lord as we draw near to You, help us grow in
Your gentle wisdom. Amen*

Mark 9.30-37

Jesus again foretells His death and resurrection

³⁰ Jesus and his disciples went on and passed through
Galilee. He did not want anyone to know where they
were; ³¹ for he was teaching his disciples. He said to them,
'The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and
they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will
rise again.' ³² But they didn't understand what he was
saying and were afraid to ask.

Who is the greatest?

³³ Then they came to Capernaum; and when Jesus was in
the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about
on the way?' ³⁴ But they were silent, for on the way they
had argued with one another about who was the
greatest. ³⁵ He sat down, called the twelve, and said to
them, 'Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and
servant of all.' ³⁶ Then he took a little child and put it
among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them,
³⁷ 'Whoever welcomes one such child in my name
welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not
me but the one who sent me.'

*Prayer: Lord show us how to serve and welcome all,
especially the children among us. Amen*