

## Prayer for Today:

*Risen Christ,*

*You filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope:*

*Strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace,*

*To the glory of God the Father.*

## I MACCABEES 2

59 Hananiah, Azariah, and Mishael believed and were saved from the flame. 60 Daniel, because of his innocence, was delivered from the mouth of the lions.

61 'And so observe, from generation to generation, that none of those who put their trust in him will lack strength.

62 Do not fear the words of sinners, for their splendour will turn into dung and worms. 63 Today they will be exalted, but tomorrow they will not be found, because they will have returned to the dust, and their plans will have perished. 64 My children, be courageous and grow strong in the law, for by it you will gain honour.

## Psalm 126

When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, **then were we like those who dream.**

2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter **and our tongue with songs of joy.**

3 Then said they among the nations, **'The Lord has done great things for them.'**

4 The Lord has indeed done great things for us, **and therefore we rejoiced.**

5 Restore again our fortunes, **O Lord, as the riverbeds of the desert.**

6 Those who sow in tears **shall reap with songs of joy.**

7 Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed, **will come back with shouts of joy, bearing their sheaves with them.**

## 2 TIMOTHY 2

3 Share in suffering like a good soldier of Christ Jesus. 4 No one serving in the army gets entangled in everyday affairs; the soldier's aim is to please the enlisting officer. 5 And in the case of an athlete, no one is crowned without competing according to the rules. 6 It is the farmer who does the work who ought to have the first share of the crops. 7 Think over what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in all things. 8 Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David that is my gospel, 9 for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. 10 Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. 11 The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him 12 if

we endure, we will also reign with him if we deny him, he will also deny us;

13 if we are faithless, he remains faithful for he cannot deny himself.

## JOHN 15

18 'If the world hates you, be aware that it hated me before it hated you. 19 If you belonged to the world, the world would love you as its own. Because you do not belong to the world, but I have chosen you out of the world therefore the world hates you. 20 Remember the word that I said to you, "Servants are not greater than their master." If they persecuted me, they will persecute you; if they kept my word, they will keep yours also. 21 But they will do all these things to you on account of my name, because they do not know him who sent me.

## Post Communion Prayer: Living God

*Your son made himself known to his disciples*

*In the breaking of bread:*

*Open the eyes of our faith,*

*That we may see him in all his redeeming work;*

*Who is alive and reigns, now and forever.*

# SIGNPOST

The weekly newsletter of  
St George's, Tuffley with St Margaret's, Whaddon  
Worshipping, Caring, Pioneering  
'Growing God's Kingdom'

Welcome to all

Diary Dates from 21<sup>st</sup> to 28th April 2024

Sun 21	ST GEORGE'S DAY / EASTER 4		
	10.30am	St G's	Patronal Festival Parish Communion Crucifer: Dot Readers: Susan/Jonathan Intercessions: Linda M Coffee: Sue/Erna
	12.30pm	St G's	Baptism
	4.00pm	St M's	Pets service
Mon 22	10.30am	SH	Aphasia-Now
	5.00pm	zoom	Evening Prayer
	6.15pm	MH	Mondays@6.15
Tue 23	9.30am	SH	Coffee Pot
	10.00am	St G's	Parish Communion
	1.30pm	MH	Fun & Free
	5.00pm	LC	Evening Prayer
Wed 24	8.15am	Zoom	Morning Prayer
	2.00pm	LC	Discussion Group
Thu 25	10.30am	St M's	Parish Communion
Fri 26	7.30pm	MH	Entertainers
Sat 27	11.30am	St G's	Litter Pick
Sun 28	EASTER 5 / Crossroads available		
	10.30am	St G's	Parish Communion Crucifer: David Readers: Sylvia E/Derek Intercessions: Paul Coffee: Sylvia /Dot
	5.00pm	St M's	Parish Communion & Confirmation Service

St G's = St George's, St M's = St Margaret's,  
MH = Main Hall, SH = Small Hall, SL = Softley  
Lounge, LC = Lady Chapel

**Discussion Groups** resume on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> at 2.00pm in the Lady Chapel and will continue looking at Common Worship liturgy i.e. what's included in our services and why. The Group will be led by Rev'd Mark. Everyone is welcome to join any of these sessions.

### Can you help?

We are hosting Bishop Rachel at the Confirmation service at St Margaret's on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April. If you are able to help our catering arrangements by providing a home-made cake, then please speak with Rev Rachel or Laine. Thank you.

### We pray for...

Laura, Angela, Margaret, Mark, Johanna, James, Peter, Hans, George, Jenny, Hilary, Sarah.

### Birthdays:

Jayne Close 26<sup>th</sup>.

### In Memoriam:

Richard Dawson RIP

### Anniversaries of Death:

John Stevens (priest), Phyllis Spiers.

### Hymns at St George's:

He who would valiant be 281

I vow to thee my country

I believe (Ukrainian video)

For all the saints 177

### Parish Safeguarding Officer

Now that Lynne McEwan-Berry has stepped down as Parish Safeguarding Officer please do consider whether God is calling you to this role.

**Keep bringing items for the Foodbank** on a Sunday.

Collection point is the tray at the back of the Church.

The Foodbank are in **URGENT NEED OF LONG-LIFE FRUIT JUICE & MILK, (not chilled) TINNED FRUIT, DEODORANT.** Thank you.

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