

Services Next Sunday— 23 July 2017

6th Sunday after Trinity

St Mary's 8am Holy Communion (BCP) Leading: Rev David Salter
Reading: Romans 8: 1-11 Matthew Carpenter

St James' Chapel Over Norton (No service on 2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays)

St Mary's 10.45am Morning Worship (with Creche and 'Oneway')

Leading: Rev Martha Simpson Preaching: Rev Ursula Simpson
Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-28 Sylvia Hawkins Prayers: Jen/Peter Williams

8.00pm Men's Curry Club at Spice of India.

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N.B. James takes his rest day on a Friday

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Financial Giving

If you would like to give to support the mission and ministry of St Mary's, may we encourage you to join our planned giving scheme. If you are a UK taxpayer you may be able to add Gift Aid which increases your giving by 25%. Please pick up a leaflet to explore ways to give or you can give online at <https://my.give.net/donations>

St Mary's is a caring fellowship.

Being a member of a **Small Group** is the best way to make sure you are both cared for, and able to care for others. For more information about joining a group please email smallgroups@stmaryscnorton.com. Otherwise, if you or anyone you know is sad or unwell, in hospital or in need of any other support, please let the Church Office know. We have a team of pastoral visitors who would love to help.



Chipping Norton

Sharing the life-changing love of Jesus
serving our whole community

16th July 2017

5th Sunday after Trinity
Holy Communion

Living God's way: Community

"Live in peace with each other"

1 Thessalonians 5:13

Welcome to today's service!

It's a great pleasure to welcome you to St Mary's this morning as we get together to worship God and learn more about him.

This morning we're continuing our sermon series 'Living God's Way' and we're looking at Community. Community is something that we're hard-wired to want and need, and the world offers so many ways to find it. The sense of belonging brought by being a member of a sports team or club, the sense of shared purpose from being part of a special interest group, the sense of connectedness with other people that social media offers, but often fails to deliver. Amongst all these options, where does Christian community stand? What does the church offer that is any different to the above, and how do we get there? Well Paul has a thing or two to say about that, and I pray this morning that we'll have open ears to hear how God is challenging and encouraging us as a community of brothers and sisters here in Chippy.

Martha Simpson (Curate)



During our 10.45 service, to serve our families, we run a supervised crèche, 'OneWay' (for children aged 3-11) and 'Ablaze' (for youth aged 11-16). Everyone is welcome!

This Sunday— 16 July 2017

5th Sunday after Trinity

St Mary's 8am Holy Communion (BCP) Leading: Rev David Salter

Reading: Romans 8: 1 –11 Barbara Ambrose

St James' Chapel Over Norton 9.15am Morning Prayer

Leading: Judith Marshall

St Mary's 10.45am Holy Communion (with crèche, 'One Way' & Ablaze)

Leading: Rev Ursula Simpson Preaching: Rev Martha Simpson

Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:12-15 Robin Hayden Prayers: Graham Povey

*****NOTICES*****

Small Groups - at the heart of St Mary's. *Do you want to be a part of a Small Group?*

When I look back at my years in different churches, the people who I know best, have the fondest memories of and bring a smile to my heart are those whom I have been in groups with. It's true!! We've had fun times together, laughed, cried, read the Bible and prayed together. I'm gathering the names of people who've asked to be in a Small Group at St Mary's. It's exciting to see so many wanting to be a part of this core life of the church. We will be starting new groups (Roger and I are looking forward to leading one); some existing groups may need a little 'giggling' to make room for new people. *And, we are starting this process now!* Would you like to be a part of a Small Group? Please let me know today if you possibly can, come and talk, ring me (01608674541) or email me (ursula.simpson@stmaryscnorton.com) ASAP. A little phrase I use when creating a new group is that there must be 'enough of a feel-good factor' for each person. We want you to enjoy your group... Best wishes, Ursula

POPCORN SUNDAYS" for CHILDREN DURING THE SUMMER

In order to give all the volunteers a well-earned break during August, we will once again be running limited groups for the children.

All children are welcome to join us in the Parish Rooms for "Popcorn Sundays", where after a short bible passage, and maybe a game, we will be enjoying a bag of popcorn and a 35 min film based on a Bible story. There will be no separate creche (although you are welcome to use the area at the back of church) or youth. Groups will return to normal with a creche in the Trinity Room, Oneway for primary aged children and Youth on **Sunday 3rd September**.

OUR BABIES NEED YOU!

We have had a bit of a baby boom in recent months, and the demand for creche has increased. We would love to recruit new helpers to staff the Creche. No qualifications needed, just enjoy playing and chatting with 0-2 year olds. The commitment is about once every 5 weeks. If you would like to serve in this way and bless our families, please speak to Emma Kennedy or email emma.kennedy@stmaryscnorton.com. Thank you.

CHURCH DIARY

THIS WEEK : 17—22 July 2017

- Mon 17 July **St Mary's Pilates class** (6-7pm in Parish Rooms)
- Wed 19 July **St Mary's Minis** (10am– 11.30am in Parish Rooms)
- Thurs 20 July **Midweek Communion + coffee** (10am in Parish Rooms)
St Mary's Schools' Leavers Service (9.45am in the Church)
- Fri 21 July **Wedding of Charles Drury & Kammilla Bhaskaran**
(1pm in the Church)
'Remix' Youth Group (3.15-4.45pm at Glyme Hall)

CALENDAR OF FURTHER EVENTS

- Fri 21 July **Pilgrim Paths guided walk: Milton-u-Wychwood to Shipton**
10am meet at SS Simon & Jude, Milton-u-Wychwood (OX7 6LJ). Bring your own food and drink. 3miles
- Wed 26 July **PCC Meeting** NB date changed (7.30pm in Parish Rooms)
- Sun 30 July **New Wine** (week 2)
- Sat 5 Aug
- Fri 11 Aug **'Take a Hike' for Youth Ages 11+** (9.30am-4.00pm Start & finish at St Mary's Church). All Day Hike & Picnic: food provided.
Contact John Marshall: 07733 036741.
- Fri 18 Aug **Pilgrims Paths guided walk: Chipping Norton to Over Norton**
10am meet at St Mary's church (OX7 5NT) (6 miles) Bring your own food and drink.—we plan to make a day of this longer walk.
- Sat 9 Sept **Men United Guest Event: Men's Breakfast** (8.30-10am at Crown & Cushion Hotel with Guest Speaker Bill Prevette)
- Sat 30 Sept **Cotswolds Men's Convention** (9.00-3.30, Warwick Hall, Burford.
Speaker: Vaughan Roberts 'A Battle for the Heart')

For further information, please contact the Church Office