

## Services on Sunday 5 May 2019

### 3rd Sunday of Easter

**St Mary's 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) Leading:** Rev David Salter  
Reading: Acts 9:1-6 (Martin Jarratt) **Preaching:** Rev Toby Artis

**St James' Chapel Over Norton 9.15am Holy Communion (BCP) Rev J Jones**

**St Mary's 10.45am Holy Communion (with Sparklers, Ignite, One Way & Ablaze)**  
**Leading:** Rev James Kennedy **Preaching:** Rev Martha Simpson  
Reading: Romans 12:9-18 & John 21:1-9 (Yolande vanWyk) **Prayers:** N. Riley

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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](mailto: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

28th April 2019  
2nd Sunday of Easter  
Morning Worship

## Essential Hospitality: Hospitality that comes alongside...

"...love each other... Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling... use whatever gift you have received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace"  
1 Peter 4:8-10

## Welcome to today's service!

As Christians, we celebrate that, in Jesus, God came to live (to pitch his tent) among us (John 1:14). In the Gospels, God's Kingdom is presented as a great feast. At Easter, before he went to the cross, Jesus encouraged us to proclaim his death through the centuries whenever we eat together. In our Gospel passage this morning, we find Jesus being invited in to share a meal with two disciples and, in the breaking of bread, revealing himself to them powerfully. In Revelation, Jesus tells us that he is knocking at our doors, waiting for us to invite him in that he might sit and eat with us and us with him (Rev 3:20). Hospitality - spending time together and particularly sharing food together - is a central theme throughout the Bible. It's how God reveals his love to us and it's how he tells us to share him with the people around us. In the next few weeks, we'll be asking ourselves how faithful we are being to his command to us to offer hospitality, so let's also use the time to establish new patterns of hospitality in our lives - as individuals and as a church. As we seek to bless the people around us in that way, I've no doubt that we'll be astonished by the ways that we're all ourselves blessed too.

James Kennedy (Vicar)

**SPARKLERS**

**ONE WAY**

**ignite**

We love having families of all ages in our 10.45am service. All children and youth are welcome to join our groups: Sparklers (under 3s), Ignite (3-5 years), One Way (6-11 years) and Ablaze (youth aged 11-16 years).

## Services This Sunday: 28 April 2019

### 2nd Sunday of Easter

**St Mary's 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)** Leading: Rev James Kennedy  
Reading: Acts 5: 27-32 (Matthew Carpenter) **Preaching:** Sue Coyne

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

**St Mary's 10.45am Morning Worship (with Sparklers, Ignite, One Way & Ablaze)**

Leading: Rev Toby Artis **Preaching:** Rev James Kennedy

Reading: 1 Peter 4:7-11 (Nicola Riley) **Prayers:** David/Susan Bishop

**Men's Curry Night** (8pm at Spice of India)

### \*\*\*\*\*NOTICES\*\*\*\*\*



**Alpha** - Got questions about faith, or know other people who might? Our upcoming Alpha course will provide a relaxed environment to be able to discuss all sorts of things from questioning the existence of God to thinking about what it means to live life as a Christian. Wherever you're at, it's a great opportunity to meet new people, enjoy a free meal together and talk about the big questions of life.

**The launch date is 30th April in the Parish Rooms at 7.0pm.**

**Course starts 14th May.** Please do invite anyone along who you think might enjoy this! Contact Judith Marshall Email: [judith.marshall@stmaryscnorton.com](mailto:judith.marshall@stmaryscnorton.com) or Emma Bayley in the Church Office.

**Friends of St Mary's Church Garden Fete on Saturday 11th May 2019 in the Old Vicarage garden in Church Street from 12.00 noon to 4.00pm - put it in your diary please!**

Everyone is most welcome to come and support us at this traditional Fete, with music, sideshows and traditional stalls - cakes, tombola and as always a cream tea!! We shall need some help please!! *Donations of Tombola prizes and crafts welcomed. Please deliver them to the Church Office on weekday mornings.*  
Contact Jo Graves [jograves46@aol.com](mailto:jograves46@aol.com) or Kirsty Garrett [kirsty.garrett@gmail.com](mailto:kirsty.garrett@gmail.com)

### 1st Priority Prayer (7.30pm, Wednesday 1st May)

On the first Wednesday of each month, we meet together for a time of passionate worship and to pray together. As well as being a biblical imperative, you'll find it to be an exhilarating time when we are uplifted by the experience of God at work as he leads us. If you've not joined us before, please do come along and be a part of what fuels the life of the church.

### Pray for Sri Lanka

In light of the Easter Sunday bombings in Sri Lanka, Open Doors (our mission partner) have called us to pray with our brothers and sisters this Sunday 28 April. We're also encouraged to send a message of prayer and encouragement to Christians from churches affected by the bombings to assure them of our prayers, either sharing them on the Open Doors Facebook page or sending them to the following email address: [messages@srilanka@opendoorsuk.org](mailto:messages@srilanka@opendoorsuk.org)

## CHURCH DIARY

**THIS WEEK : 29 April —4 May 2019**

- Mon 29 Apr** **Pilates Class** (6-7pm in Parish Rooms)  
**Additional WOWI Meeting** (7.30pm in Parish Rooms)
- Tue 30 Apr** **Alpha Launch** (7.00pm in Parish Rooms. Set up from 6pm)  
*See separate notice*  
**'Out to Lunch'** (1.00pm in Parish Rooms)  
**Funeral: Shirley Yates** (1pm in St Mary's Church)
- Wed 1 May** **St Mary's Minis** (10.0-11.30am in Parish Rooms)  
**1st Priority Prayer** (7.30pm in the Church)
- Thu 2 May** **Midweek Communion + coffee** (10am in Parish Rooms)  
**CAP Life Skills** (11.30am-3.00pm in Parish Rooms)  
**Funeral: Aubrey Green** (2pm in St Mary's Church)
- Fri 3 May** **Mini Movers** (8.30-10.00a, in St Mary's School Hall)  
**Remix Youth Club** (3.15-4.45pm in Glyme Hall)
- Sat 4 May** **Ashes Interment: Susan Thornton** (11am in CN Cemetery)

**Mary's Kitchen Re-stock on Thursday 9 May 7.30pm at 9 Churchill Rd.**

The cupboards are nearly bare! So ladies gather your aprons and come along for a fun evening of cooking to re-stock the freezers. Please let Nicola Riley know if you are coming, or contact her for more information: [nicolariley@btinternet.com](mailto:nicolariley@btinternet.com)

## CALENDAR OF FURTHER EVENTS

- Thu 9 May** **Mary's Kitchen Cooking** (7.30-10.00pm at 9 Churchill Road CN)  
*Please note change of date!*
- Sat 11 May** **Friends of St Mary's Garden Fete** 12noon-4.30pm in Old Vicarage Garden
- Mon 13 May** **Come for Tea** (2.30-4.00pm in Parish Rooms)
- Tue 14 May** **Alpha Course starts** (7.00pm in Parish Rooms)
- Thu 16 May** **Hymns of Praise + tea** (3pm in the Church)
- Sat 18 May** **Men's Breakfast** (8.0-10.0am in Parish Rooms).  
Speaker: John Coyne subject: 'Aim and Fire'
- Sun 19 May** **Healing Service** (4.30pm in the Church) *Further information to follow*
- Fri 31 May-Sun 9 June** **Thy Kingdom Come prayer throughout the Benefice**  
*Further information to follow*
- Wed 5 Jun** **1st Priority Prayer + Thy Kingdome Come** 7.30pm in the Church
- Sun 9 June** **Church Picnic** (after 10.45 service on CN Recreation Ground)
- Sun 23 June** **Encounter Service** (5.30 Café opens for 6pm Service at St Mary's)
- Sat 6 July** **Pandemonium in the Park** Please note the date in your diaries!  
Further information to follow.
- Sat 13 July** **Men's Breakfast** **NB Change of date-not on 6 July.**