

Services on Sunday 16 June 2019

Trinity Sunday

St Mary's 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) Leading: Rev Ursula Simpson
Reading: Romans 5:1-5 (Barbara Ambrose) Gospel: John 16: 121-15

St James' Chapel Over Norton 9.15am Morning Worship Leading: Rev T Artis

St Mary's 10.45am Holy Communion (with Sparklers, Ignite, OneWay & Ablaze)

Leading: Rev Martha Simpson **Preaching:** Rev Toby Artis

Reading: Ruth 1:22-2:18 (Mark Knight) **Prayers:** Graham Povey



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

9th June 2019
Pentecost
Morning Worship

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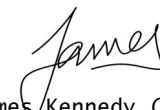
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Ruth—Little Story, Big love: Ruth's blind loyalty

"...you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off - for all whom the Lord our God will call." Acts 2:38-9

Welcome to today's service!

This weekend we celebrate Pentecost, when, in both Jewish and Christian history, there has been a long tradition of reading and being reminded of the story of Ruth. This little story, as we've heard in recent weeks, tells of God's big love. The most obvious connection is that Ruth is set at the time of the barley harvest, when God instructed his people to celebrate the Feast of Harvest (or Feast of Weeks), on the fiftieth day after the Passover [*pentecoste* = fiftieth in Greek]. The connections run much deeper than that, though. In Ruth's devotion, self-surrender to follow the one true God, and redemption by Boaz, we're given a foreshadowing of the course that the church is called to follow - turning to God, and so being redeemed by what Jesus has done for us. When she walked away from God's people, Naomi found herself broken and empty. We begin, this morning, to see the contrast with Ruth's experience. Ruth turned towards God and was filled with hope and promise within God's eternal plans. At Pentecost we celebrate how the Holy Spirit also filled the first Christians, sealing the same promise as they responded to the Good News of God's big love by choosing to follow Jesus for themselves. Peter tells us in Acts that this promise is also for you and for me, so let's mirror Ruth's commitment to God and together embrace the promise afresh today!


James Kennedy (Vicar)


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.

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: 9 June 2019

Pentecost

St Mary's 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) Leading: Rev David Salter
Reading: Acts 2: 1-21 (Andy Thomson) Gospel: John 14:8-17,25-27

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

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

Leading: Rev Ursula Simpson Preaching: Rev James Kennedy

Reading: Ruth 1: 11-21 (David Bishop) Prayers: Sue Coyne

Church Picnic (instead of Parish Lunch) outside Parish Rooms after the Service.

Praying around the Deanery. This week: St Nicholas, Idbury

Please pray for Geoffrey Clement and Anne Hartley and the Churchwardens Pat Yaxley and Mary Champness.

*****NOTICES*****

Calling all Gospel Choir singers

Great news that the Gospel Choir has been asked to sing at the beginning of the Chippy Town Festival! This will be in the morning of **Sunday 30 June** as part of the Churches together presentation. We'll be doing 2 songs from our Easter repertoire plus joining in with Folk, Gospel and Blues for 'Gospel Way'. New singers are welcome.

We will meet for a practice on **Sunday 23 June from 4pm to 5pm in the Parish Rooms** (finishing in time to enjoy refreshments and the Encounter service over in the church!)

Toby Artis's Ordination (Priesting) on Sun 23 June at 10.30am, at Dorchester Abbey.

If you are intending to go and support Toby please let him know.

Judith Marshall's Ordination on Sat 29th June at 2pm

Judith is arranging a coach from Chippy for her Ordination. Coach will leave Chipping Norton School at 12.15pm and come back afterwards for celebrations in the Parish Rooms. Please contact Linda Carpenter to book a place—no charge. There are 50 seats available - linda.carpenter50@yahoo.co.uk
Linda will have a sign up sheet in church on Sunday.

Immersion Baptism

The date for our next Immersion Baptisms is on **Sunday 14 July** during the 10.45am service. If you have been thinking about taking this step yourself, please speak to Toby Artis: toby.artis@stmaryscnorton.com

CHURCH DIARY

THIS WEEK : 10—15 June 2019

Mon 10 Jun Funeral: Bernard Herbert (12noon in the Church)
Come for Tea (2.30-pm in Parish Rooms)
Pilates (6-7pm in Parish Rooms)

Tue 11 Jun Alpha Course 4 (7 for 7.30pm in Parish Rooms) Set up from 6pm

Wed 12 Jun St Mary's Minis 10—11.15am in Parish Rooms
Small Groups Celebration (6.30pm BBQ & 7.30pm in Parish Rooms)

Thu 13 Jun Midweek Communion + coffee (10am in Parish Rooms)
CAP Life Skills (11.30am—3.00pm in Parish Rooms)
Funeral: Doreen Baird (12noon at St Mary's Salford)
Churches Together Town-wide Prayer Evening (7.30 for 7.45pm at Methodist Church)

Fri 14 Jun Mini Movers (8.30-10am in St Mary's School Hall)
Remix Youth Club (3.15-4.45 in Glyme Hall)

CALENDAR OF FURTHER EVENTS

Thu 20 Jun Hymns of Praise + tea (3pm in the church)

Sat 22 Jun Boy's Hike & Breakfast (9am dep CN School, 11am breakfast In Parish Rooms).

Alpha 'Away Day (9am - 4pm at House of Bread, Burmington Mill)

Sun 23 Jun Toby's Ordination (Priesting) (10.30am at Dorchester Abbey).
Gospel Choir Practice for Town Festival (4-5pm in Parish Rooms)
Encounter Service (5.30 Café opens for 6pm Service at St Mary's)

Sst 29 Jun Judith's Ordination (2pm at Christ Church cathedral, Oxford)
12.15pm coach departs from CN School.—see separate notice.

Sun 30 Jun CN Town Festival (11am Churches Together Opening worship)
There will be 8am HC(BCP) at St Mary's but **No main service at 10.45am**

Wed 3 Jul 1st Priority Prayer & NCGP (7.30pm at St Mary's CN)

Sat 6 July Pandemonium in the Park Please note the date in your diaries!
Further information to follow.

Mon 8 Jul Come for Tea (2.30pm in Parish Rooms)

Sat 13 July Men's Breakfast **NB Change of date—not on 6 July.**

Sun 14 July Immersion Baptism (during 10.45am service at St Mary's CN)

Thu 18 Jul Hymns of Praise + tea (3pm in the church)

Sat 20 July Boy's Hike & Breakfast (9am dep CN School, 11am breakfast In Parish Rooms).

Mon 22—Fri 26 July 'Feast & Fun' Holiday Club in the Parish Rooms
Further information to follow.

For further information, please contact the Church Office.