

CHURCH DIARY—MID-WEEK SERVICES

Thursdays

- 10am Midweek Communion in Parish Rooms followed by Coffee
1/8 Leading: Rev James Kennedy
8/8 Leading: Rev Jackie Jones
15/8 Leading: Rev Ursula Simpson
22/8 Leading: Rev Victor Story
28/8 Leading: Rev David Salter

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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

4th AUG – 1st SEPT 2019: 7th- 11th Sundays after Trinity

Memorable Meals:

- Sunday 4th Aug...Riddles & receptions
Sunday 11th Aug...Eating with the enemy
Sunday 18th Aug...Under catering
Sunday 25th Aug...Pigs and parties
Sunday 1st Sept...The best is yet to come

Welcome to our Summer services!

Earlier in the year we spent some time thinking about the importance (and biblical mandate) for extending hospitality as a central part of our mission and ministry, both as individuals and as a church together. As we entered the holiday season, through 'Feast and Fun' we enjoyed inviting some of the families in our community to join us, and that will continue later in August. In the meantime our summer series is linked to that broader theme of hospitality: We're taking a culinary caper through the Bible, exploring some of the many meals that we find there. Meals are something we all understand and are a big part of scripture too. These five meals have been chosen to give us a broad sweep of theology and human experience and are memorable for very different reasons! I hope that they all inspire us in their varied ways...

James Kennedy (Vicar)



The regular children's and youth groups have a break during the summer holidays. However all children are welcome to come to the Parish Rooms for 'Popcorn Sundays'. There is no separate crèche, but please do make use of the children's area at the back of church at any point during the service.

THIS MONTH—August 2019

St Mary's 8.00am Holy Communion

- 4/8 **Leading:** J Jones **Reading:** Colossians 3:1-11 - Martin Jarrett
11/8 **Leading:** J Marshall + JK **Reading:** Hebrews 11:1-3,8-16 Andy Thomson
18/8 **Leading:** T Artis **Reading:** Hebrews 11:29-12:2 Barbara Ambrose
25/8 **Leading:** U Simpson **Reading:** Hebrews 12:18-end Matthew Carpenter

St James Chapel, Over Norton, 9.15am

- 4/8 **Holy Communion—Leading:** V Story **Reading:** Colossians 3:1-11
18/8 **Morning Worship—Leading:** D Salter **Preaching:** S Coyne
Reading: Hebrews 11:1-2, 29-40, 12:1-3.

St Mary's 10.45am (with Popcorn Sunday for children in Aug—see notice)

- 4/8 **Holy Communion —Leading:** T Artis **Preaching:** M Simpson
Reading: Judges 14 Peter/Jen Williams **Prayers:** T Artis
11/8 **Morning Worship —Leading:** T Artis **Preaching:** J Kennedy
Reading: Luke 5:27-32 to be arranged **Prayers:** Sandra Cutting
18/8 **Holy Communion —Leading:** T Artis **Preaching:** U Simpson,
Reading: John 2:1-11 Lorraine Smith **Prayers:** Emma Fourie
25/8 **Morning Worship+ Baptism—Leading:** M Simpson **Preaching:** T Artis
Reading: Luke 15:11-32 Susan Bishop **Prayers:** David Bishop
1/9 **Guest Service —Leading:** J Lowe **Preaching:** M Simpson
Reading: Isaiah 25:1-8 & Rev 19:6-9 Sue Coyne **Prayers:** Nicola Riley

----- NOTICES -----

"POPCORN SUNDAYS" for CHILDREN DURING THE SUMMER

To give all the volunteers a well-earned break during August, we'll 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 (& maybe a game), we'll enjoy a bag of popcorn & a 35 min film based on a Bible story. There will be no separate youth activity or creche (but you're welcome to use the area at the back of church). Groups will return to normal with 'Sparklers' in the Trinity Room, Ignite in the Tower Vestry & One Way for primary aged children in Parish Rooms and Ablaze for Youth in the Vicarage on Sunday 1st September.

Children and Families Worker Job Advert

As you may know, Becca's contract comes to an end at the start of September. We are therefore seeking to appoint an enthusiastic and faith-filled Children and Families Worker (20hrs/wk) to our supportive staff team to work within both our established Sunday and Community Outreach Ministries. Our Community Outreach includes 'St Mary's Minis', our 0-5's group on a Wednesday morning and a pioneering soft-play session on a Friday morning in our church primary school where God has opened up incredible opportunities. Low-cost local accommodation could be offered if required. *Do you love working with young children and long to see them grow in their knowledge and love of God? Would you like to lead within a church that is growing, full of opportunities and making a significant difference in our community? Do you have a passion for reaching out and connecting with families in our community as well as our church? Could you grow, equip and train a team of willing volunteers?* If so, please visit our website (<http://www.stmaryscnorton.com/children-and-families-worker-post.php>) to download a Role Description and Application Form or for an informal conversation, contact Martha Simpson - martha.simpson@stmaryscnorton.com. 01608 645668 / 646202. Closing date for applications 9th September, to start as soon as possible.

Could God be calling you to serve on the Sparklers Team?

At St Mary's we know how important it is to welcome and accommodate everybody who joins us on a Sunday morning, from the youngest to the oldest. Sparklers is our supervised crèche, which runs in the Trinity room alongside our 10.45 service to support parents of children aged 0-2. To keep this valuable ministry viable, we urgently need 3 or 4 men or women, young or old to serve once every 6-8 weeks. Could that be you? Full training will be given. If you'd like to explore the possibility, please contact emma.kennedy@stmaryscnorton.com (01608 642688). Thank you!

Come for Tea is continuing to meet every second Monday in the month in the Parish Centre. Next meeting is on **Monday 12th August at 2.30pm**—Come and join us! For information contact Amanda Gafford, on 641284.

Feast and Fun - The BIG BRUNCH!

We're looking forward to two more days of serving up food and family entertainment with Feast and Fun on Aug 28th and 30th. To round the whole thing off we're then inviting the families we've been meeting to join us for the BIG BRUNCH on Sept 1st. We'll be serving bacon butties and coffee from 10am, and then inviting guests to come on in and join us for a particularly accessible service at church. Please join us if you can, and bring someone along! For more info or to help, contact martha.simpson@stmaryscnorton.com

1st Priority Prayer (7.30pm, Wed 4th September)

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 command, 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.

CALENDAR OF FURTHER EVENTS

Sun 4th—Sun 11 August **New Wine at new venue—near Peterborough**

Mon 12 Aug **Come for Tea** (2.30-4pm in Parish Rooms)

Thu 15 Aug **Full Moon Youth Hike Ages 11+** (8.00pm-Midnight) Start & finish at St Mary's Church). Night Hike & Picnic: food provided. Contact John Marshall: 07733 036741.

Tue 20 Aug **Out to Lunch** (1pm in Parish Rooms)

Fri 23 August—Mon 26 Aug **Bank Holiday Pilgrim Paths Pilgrimage**
(For further information pick up a Pilgrim Paths leaflet from church)

Wed 28 & Fri 30 Aug -
'Feast & Fun' Holiday Club in the Parish Rooms and Church.

Tue 3rd—Thu 5 Sept **Church closed for installation of 'enVision' equipment.**

Wed 4 Sep **1st Priority Prayer** (7.30pm in Parish Rooms—NB venue)

For further information, please contact the Church Office.