Please remember in your prayers...

The World Church:

The Diocese of Maseno North and Maseno South in Kenya with Bishops Simon Oketch and Francis Abiero. Also the Diocese of Roskilde in Denmark and Bishop Peter Fischer-Moeller.

Churches Together:

The congregation and leaders of Our Lady and All Saints Catholic Church **Bishop John:**

Please pray for Leonie Marklew-Barrett and her vocation as a Christian Artist and that like her, we will all listen to what God is saying to us.

Please pray for:

Our Lent Course which starts this week, that it may be a time for people to reflect on 'the common good' and how we might engage and serve our community through our Kingdom Vision in the lead up to the general election in May.

Those living in:

Lea Vale Road and Dale Road.

Local Community:

The students and staff of Pedmore Technology College.

Among those who are ill:

Susan Haskew, Lesley Price, Anna Scudamore, William Bates, Rory Macintosh, Brian Norgrove, Cliff Day, Sally Taylor, Brenda Cadwallader, David Jackson, Kathleen Rogers, Angela Dixon, Roberta Farman, Alan Lowe, Mavis Firkins, Richard Ryan, Pam Scudamore, Jill Kendrick and Michael Woodall.

We continue to pray for:

Sanchia Farman, Eleanor Hill, Lennon Southall, Vicky Croydon, Martin Aston, Jonathan Bryan, Audrey Cartwright, Ruth Hardy, Pauline Parsons, Ros Bickel, Richard Tatler, and Noah Cantius.

Those in Residential and Nursing Home care:

Sheila Westwood, Margaret Pole, June O'Brien and Ethel James. The departed:

Patricia Harper, Keith Humphryson, Muriel Hallmark, and as her ashes are interred Patricia Harris.

In memoriam:

Ian McKessar Duncan (23.2.14) Brian Ouinton (23.2.14) May they know the peace and joy of God's Kingdom. Please pray for families and friends of all who mourn the loss of loved ones.

Please inform the clergy as soon as possible if you know of any illness or particular need within the congregation.

NEXT SUNDAY 1st March Second Sunday of Lent 8.00am Communion (BCP) 10.00am Parish Communion 6.30pm Evensona

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St Mary's Church Old Swinford



Sunday 22nd February 2015 The First Sunday of Lent

A warm welcome to any visitors who are worshipping with us today. Please join us for coffee in the Narthex after our 10.00am service. If you would like to find out more information about any of the activities associated with church please speak to a warden or sides person or visit our website at: www.stmaryschurcholdswinford.org.uk

Our services today are as follows:

8.00am - Holy Communion

Collect, Epistle, Gospel P129 Sides: Paul Turner **President:** Revd Stephen Agnew

10.00am - Parish Communion

President: Revd Stephen Agnew Preacher: Revd Stephen Agnew Reader: Ron Tranter Intercessions: Mike & Janet Blaxland Sides: Mike and Janet Blaxland Warden: Tony Tatford Anthem: O Saviour of the World-Somervell Voluntary: Eternity thou word of power - Karg-Elert **Children Together:** Emma and Alison

6.30pm - Evensong

Officiant: Revd Stephen Agnew Preacher: Kanthi Ariarai Sides: Sue and Geoff Davies Warden: Marjorie Ferguson Readers: Liz Fourness Gen 2: 15-17, 3:1-7 & Marjorie Romans 5: 12-19 Intercessions: Revd Stephen Agnew Anthem: Ave verum corpus—*Mozart* Voluntary: Benedictus - Reger



We have a loop system installed in church. If you wear a hearing aid please turn it to the T position.

Collect for this week:

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin: give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit; and, as you know our weakness, so may we know your power to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

DIARY FOR THIS WEEK

Monday 23 Work on trees being carried out in the churchyard. **Tuesday 24** 2.30 Tuesday Tea in the narthex. 7.30pm Lent course (1) Wednesdav 25 11.30am Holy Communion at Holly Lodge. Thursday 26 10.30am Holy Communion service in church. Fridav 27 Stephen's day off Saturdav 28 9.30am Walking group meet for a walk at Blakedown and Yieldingtree. 10.00am—11.00am Vestry Hour 10.00am—12.00pm Open Church

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The New Testament Reading 1 Peter 3: 18–22

Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you - not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of lesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.



This is the Word of the Lord THANKS BE TO GOD.

The Gospel Reading Mark 1: 9–15 Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.

And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him. Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.'

> This is the Gospel of the Lord PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.

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