

INTERCESSIONS

Please remember in your prayers...

The World Church:

The Diocese of Västerås in Sweden and Bishop Thomas Söderberg. Also the Diocese of North Eastern Caribbean & Aruba in the West Indies and Bishop Leroy Brooks.

Churches Together:

The congregation and leaders of New Road Methodist Church

Bishop John:

Please pray for the Castle and Crystal and 6 towns Credit Unions which operate throughout the Diocese and for all those who use its services.

Please pray for:

The people of Nepal and for aid agencies that are assisting in bringing relief. Chiara Aloia, Isabell Rose Allen and Archibald James Macleod who will be baptised here this afternoon and for Arthur Clarence Wheatley who was baptised here yesterday. Please pray for their parents and Godparents who will support them in their Christian life. Mark White and Leanne Yarnell. Daniel O'Reilly and Harriet Scott who will be married at St Mary's next weekend.

Those living in:

Swinford Road and Marlborough Drive

Local Community:

Staff and Patients at Russells Hall Hospital.

Among those who are ill:

Susan Haskew, Lesley Price, Anna Scudamore, William Bates, Rory Macintosh, Brian Norgrove, Sally Taylor, Brenda Cadwallader, David Jackson, Kathleen Rogers, Angela Dixon, Roberta Farman, Alan Lowe, Mavis Firkins, Richard Ryan, Elian Irvine-Boden, Robert James, Judy Taylor and Agnes Wooldridge.

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, Michael Woodall, and Noah Cantius.

Those in Residential and Nursing Home care:

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

The departed:

Lilian Joan Waldron, Judith Dickens, Grace Foxall and Nicholas James Pike.

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.



St Mary's Church Old Swinford

Sunday 17th May 2015
Seventh Sunday of Easter



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 P193

Sides: Ian Nex

Celebrant: Revd Stephen Agnew

10.00am - Parish Communion

President: Revd Stephen Agnew

Preacher: Kanthi Ariaraj

Reader: Peter Jones

Intercessions: John Sutton

Sides: Tony & Sue Tatford

Warden: Les Timms

Anthem: Panis Angelicus —*Saint Saens*

Voluntary: Tuba Tune - *Cocker*

Children Together:

Russ & Helen Fowler

6.30pm - Evensong

Officiant: Revd Stephen Agnew

Preacher: Revd Stephen Agnew

Sides: Gemma Sutton

Warden: Gill Tatler

Readers: Gemma *Isaiah 61* & Gill Luke 4: 14-21

Intercessions: Kanthi Ariaraj

Anthem: Come ye faithful —*Thatcher*

Voluntary: Concerto in d (1st mvt) - *Mech/Walther*



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:

O God the king of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: we beseech you, leave us not comfortless, but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

THIS WEEK

Monday 18

7.30pm Magazine editorial meeting.

Tuesday 19

2.00pm Tea at the Coach House.

7.00pm Communion followed by PCC Meeting.

Wednesday 20

11.30am Holy Communion at Holly Lodge

2.00pm Funeral in church

Thursday 21

10.30am Holy Communion

Friday 22

Stephen's day off.

Saturday 23

10.00—11.00 Vestry Hour

10.00—12.00 Open Church

1.00pm Wedding of Mark and Leanne

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

NEXT SUNDAY

24th May

Pentecost

8.00am Communion (BCP)

10.00am Parish Communion

6.30pm Evensong

Please feel free to take this pew sheet away and recycle. 

This pew sheet is also available at www.stmaryschurcholdswinford.org.uk

The New Testament Reading

Acts 1: 15-17,21-26

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred and twenty people). He said, 'Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus – for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry. So one of the men who have accompanied us throughout the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us – one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.'

So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, 'Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.' And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

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

The Gospel Reading

John 17: 6—19

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.

Jesus looked up to heaven and prayed:

'Father, I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you.

Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.'

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

