INTERCESSIONS

Please remember in your prayers...

The World Church:

The Diocese of Ogbomoso in Nigeria and Bishop Matthew Osunade. The Diocese of Ogoni in Nigeria and Bishop Solomon Gberegbara. The Lusitanian Church in Portugal and Bishop Jose Jorge Pina Cabrala and the Latvian Evangelical Lutheran Church Abroad and Archbishop Elmars Roxitis.

Churches Together:

The Quaker Church in Stourbridge.

Bishop John:

This week is National carers' Week. Please pray for all those who care for others in our community, that they will find love and support in our churches.

Please pray for:

The people of Nepal and for aid agencies that are assisting in bringing relief. Amelia Mae Reed, Darcie Sofia Connon and Elian Edward Irvine-Boden who will be baptised here today. Peter Lumby and Cherie O'Sullivan who will be married here next Saturday.

Those living in:

Lutley Drive and Chawn Park Drive

Local Community:

St Basil's Home for the Homeless -those who use it and those who support it.

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 Rvan, Elian Irvine-Boden, Robert James, Judy Taylor, Paul Whyley, Pamela Peacock 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, Janice Sutton, Margaret Pole, June O'Brien and Ethel James

The departed:

Nicholas James Pike, Margaret Rose Valance.

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 14th June First Sunday after Trinity 8.00am Communion (BCP) 10.00am Worship Together 6.30pm Choral Evensong



St Mary's Church Old Swinford



Sunday 7th June 2015 Trinity 1

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 There will be a presentation at all services today which will explain the revised method of calculating our Parish Share which we pay to the Diocese.

Our services today are as follows:

8.00am - Holy Communion

Collect, Epistle, Gospel P204

Sides: Meriel Harris

Celebrant: Revd Stephen Agnew

10.00am - Parish Communion

President: Revd Stephen Agnew

Reader: Joan Ram

Intercessions: Maggie Abbotts Sides: Mavis Kynaston & Betty

Parsons

Warden: Judy Hall

Anthem: Bread of the world —*Ingley*

Voluntary: Toccata -Boellmann

Children Together: Russ & Helen Fowler

6.30pm - Evensong

Officiant: Revd Stephen Agnew

Sides: Dawn Nex Warden: Ian Nex

Readers: Liz Fourness Jer 6: 16-21 &

Will Peart Rom 9: 1 -13

Intercessions: Revd Stephen Agnew Anthem: Never weather beaten sail—

Wood

Voluntary: Trumpet Tune - Stanley



■ 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 strength of all those who put their trust in you, mercifully accept our prayers and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without you, grant us the help of your grace, that in the keeping of your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; 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

THIS WEEK

Tuesday 9

11.30am Holy Communion Service at Holly Croft.

Wednesday 10

9.45am Visit by Y1 children from Oldswinford Primary School

Thursday 11

10.30am Holy Communion

1.45pm Visit by Y1 children from Oldswin-

ford Primary School.

7.00pm Mary Steven's Hospice Mid

summer service.

7.30pm Coach House Committee

Meeting. Friday 12

Stephen's day off.

Saturday 13

10.00—11.00 Vestry Hour 10.00—12.00 Open Church

2.00pm Wedding of Peter and Cherie

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



The New Testament Reading

2 Corinthians 4.13 - 5.1

Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture – 'I believed, and so I spoke' – we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

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

The Gospel Reading

Mark 3.20-35

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

The crowd came together again, so that Jesus and his companions could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, 'He has gone out of his mind.' And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, 'He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.' And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, 'How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered. Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of

an eternal sin' – for they had said, 'He has an unclean spirit.' Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, 'Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.' And he replied, 'Who are my mother and my brothers?" And looking at those who sat around him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.'

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

