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St Mary's Church Old Swinford

Sunday 9th August 2015
Trinity 10



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 P221

Sides: Meriel Harris

President: Revd Stephen Agnew

10.00am - Worship Together

Officiant: Revd Stephen Agnew

Sides: Sally Frost & Pauline Pettet

Warden: Malcolm Frost



6.30pm - Evensong

Officiant: Revd Stephen Agnew

Preacher: Revd Stephen Agnew

Sides: Gill Tatler

Warden: Marjorie Ferguson

Readers:

Gill *Job 39: 1—40* & Marjorie

Hebrews 12: 1—17

Intercessions: Kanthi Ariaraj

Voluntary: Ode—Leighton



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:

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you; 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

Monday 10

Copy date for September magazine. Please send any articles to the editors.

Thursday 13

10.30am Holy Communion in church

Friday 14

Stephen's day off.

Saturday 15

10.00—11.00 Vestry Hour

10.00—12.00 Open Church

'The Lord our provider

Welcome and Notices

Opening prayer

Loving God we have come to worship you.

Help us to pray to you in faith, to sing your praise with gratitude, and to listen to your word with eagerness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HYMN - 214 Guide me, O thou great redeemer

Prayer of thanksgiving

In response to the words: 'Father in heaven' all say:

'We give you thanks and praise'

Confessing our sins

We confess our sin, and the sins of our society, in the misuse of God's creation.

In response to the words: 'In your mercy' we say:

'Forgive us and help us'

Absolution

May the God of love bring us back to himself, forgive us our sins, and assure us of his eternal love in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Collect

We say together the collect (see front page)

The Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament Reading 1 Kings 19: 4—8
Read by Sally Frost

For the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

Followed by words of explanation

HYMN - The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want

New Testament Reading John 6: 35, 41—51
Read by Robin Walker

For the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

Address *How is Jesus the 'Bread of Life' for each one of us?*

HYMN - 262 Alleluia, sing to Jesus

Notices

Please ask if you would like to know any more about the events listed on this page.

Jean and Stephen have kindly offered to provide cream teas in the Rectory on Thursday 27th August at 2.30pm. Please sign the list at the back of church if you would like to come so that they know how many to cater for.



FOODBANK MESSAGE

Hi Everyone

This will be our last update till September but please don't forget us over the next few weeks. Please keep donating and supporting your local community. Thank you!

SHORTAGES THIS WEEK ARE:

Breakfast Cereal, low sugar, small boxes

Hot Chocolate

Coffee (small jars)

Cuppa Soup

Biscuits

Puddings (rice/sponge)

Custard

Treats - Chocolate Bars

Jam/Marmalade

Toilet Rolls

Deodorant (male and female)

Shampoo (we have totally run out of shampoo)

Shaving Foam (male)

Thanks everybody

ALMtraining
being a community learning to serve

On Sunday 13th September at 6.30pm the five people from St Mary's who have completed their ALM training this year will be licensed by Bishop John in Worcester Cathedral.

We would encourage as many people as possible to support these five members of our congregation as they celebrate their achievement and begin their ministry serving the people within the parish and congregation of St Mary's. There will **NOT** be an evening service at St Mary's on this Sunday as we join others in the Cathedral for this special service. Transport will be provided for those who need it. Further details about transport arrangements will follow.

Please note that our choir will be singing Choral Evensong next Sunday evening at St Mary's and will then be singing Choral Evensong at 5.30pm in Worcester Cathedral on Monday 17th August. They would welcome any support from our congregation.

There are bags of toys available for children at the back of church. Please ask a sides person if you would like to borrow one during the service.



INTERCESSIONS

Please remember in your prayers...

The World Church:

The Diocese of Helsinki in Finland and Bishop Irja Askola. Also the Diocese of Rochester USA and Bishop Prince Singh..

Churches Together:

Chawn Hill Christian Centre

Bishop John:

Please pray for Kevin Downham and his chaplaincy team at Long Lartin prison near Evesham. Also for the chaplaincy at HMP Hewell, near Redditch.

Please pray for:

Richard and Victoria; Andrew and Kelly who were married here yesterday.

Those living in:

Doctors Hill and Meon Rise

Local Community:

Residents and staff of Doveton House Care Home.

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, Paul Whyley, Harold White, Ivan Partridge and Pamela Peacock.

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, June O'Brien and Ethel James.

The departed:

Kenneth Willocks and Elsie Noons

In memoriam:

Joan Maiden (15.8.14)

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
August 16
Eleventh Sunday after Trinity
8.00am Communion (BCP)
10.00am Parish Communion
3.00pm Baptisms
6.30pm Choral Evensong



Prayers: In response to the words: 'God of love' all say:
'May we do your will'

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us....

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.**



Welcome the newly baptised

Faith is the gift of God to his people.

In baptism the Lord is adding to our number those whom he is calling. People of God, will you welcome these children and uphold them in their new life in Christ?

With the help of God we will.

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism; by the one Spirit we were all baptised into one body.

We welcome you into the fellowship of faith; we are children of the same heavenly Father; we welcome you.

Peace

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace. If we live in the Spirit, let us walk in the Spirit. The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you. Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

HYMN

— **I, the Lord of sea and sky**
(during which the collection will be taken)

The Blessing.

Christ, who has nourished us with himself the living bread,
make you one in praise and love,
and raise you up at the last day;
And may the blessing

Go in the power of the Spirit to love and serve the Lord
In the name of Christ. Amen



The Lord's my Shepherd I'll not want

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want,
he makes me lie in pastures green.
He leads me by the still, still waters,
his goodness restores my soul.

*And I will trust in you alone,
and I will trust in you alone.*

*For your endless mercy follows me
your goodness will lead me home.*

He guides my ways in righteousness,
and he anoints my head with oil,
and my cup, it overflows with joy,
I feast on his pure delights.

And though I walk the darkest path,
I will not fear the evil one,
for you are with me, and your rod and staff
are the comfort I need to know.

I, the Lord of sea and sky

I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard My people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin,
My hand will save.
I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear My light to them?
Whom shall I send?

*Here I am Lord, Is it I, Lord?
I have heard You calling in the night.
I will go Lord, if You lead me.
I will hold Your people in my heart.*

I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them, They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak My word to them
Whom shall I send?

Chorus

I, the Lord of wind and flame
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them,
My hand will save
Finest bread I will provide,
Till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give My life to them,
Whom shall I send?

Chorus