

### Message from the Foodbank

Hi Everyone. We are busy and have already started receiving enquiries about what to donate at Harvest Time. Our full shopping list is on our website and the list of donation points are also on the website. Thank you.



### SHORTAGES

Fruit Juice, UHT Milk, Coffee (small jars), Tinned Fruit (preferably in fruit juice) Biscuits, Deodorant (male and female), Shampoo Shaving Foam (male), Toothpaste, Shower Gel

Please leave any donations in the boxes at the back of church and we will ensure that they are taken to the warehouse for distribution each week.

Thank you for your support.

Frank is doing another sponsored walk this year in aid of the No Limits charity. The 44 mile walk will take place over the weekend of 2—4th October. If you would like to sponsor Frank there is a form at the back of church.



There are some 2016 diaries at the back of church. These are generously donated to us at no cost. Please help yourself if you would like one.

We will be holding our harvest supper on Saturday 3rd October in the church hall. Please sign the list at the back of church if you would like to join us.

Please send any notices or information for the pewsheets to the Parish Office by 12 noon on a Wednesday. Send to [st.mary.os@btconnect.com](mailto:st.mary.os@btconnect.com) or text to 07956675990 or phone 01384 441003.

## The Parish Church of St Mary Oldswinford Sunday 20th September 2015 Trinity 16



*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.  
We have a loop system installed in church. If you wear a hearing aid please turn it to the T position. If you would like to find out 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](http://www.stmaryschurcholdswinford.org.uk)*

### Our services today are as follows:

#### 8.00am - Holy Communion

**President:** Revd Stephen Agnew

Collect, Epistle and Gospel P231 **Sides:** Eve Evans

#### 10.00am - Parish Communion

**President:** Revd Stephen Agnew **Preacher:** Revd Stephen Agnew

**Warden:** Maggie Abbotts **Sides:** Mavis Kynaston & Betty Parsons

**Reader:** Jean Rolfe **Intercessions:** Maggie Abbotts

**Anthem:** Be thou my vision —Chilcott

**Children Together:** Peter and Kathryn Hancox

**Voluntary:** Hornpipe (Water music) – Handel

#### 6.30pm - Choral Evensong

**Officiant:** Revd Stephen Agnew

**Warden:** Marjorie Ferguson **Sides:** Gill Tatler

**Readers:** Gill Tatler —Isaiah 33: 13-17 & Marjorie Ferguson Matt 6: 19—34

**Intercessions:** Revd Stephen Agnew

**Responses:** Ayleward **Setting:** Brewer in D

**Anthem:** Expectans expectavi—Wood

**Voluntary:** Sonata No 3 (Allegro) - CPE Bach

### Collect for this week:

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; 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

### Readings for our 10.00am service.

#### The New Testament Reading

James 3: 13– 4:3,7-8a

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish.

For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

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

## What's going on?

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

### SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY September 27th 17th Sunday after Trinity

- 8.00am Communion(BCP)
- 10.00am Parish Communion with confirmation led by Bishop John
- 4.00pm Wedding of Carol and Jason
- 6.30pm Evensong

### CHURCH DIARY FOR THIS WEEK

#### Monday 21

- 10.00am Open The Book group visit Oldswinford Primary School.
- 7.30pm PCC meeting.
- 7.30pm Visiting bellringers.

#### Tuesday 22

- 11.30am Holy Communion at Hollycroft
- 7.30pm Christmas market planning meeting in church.

#### Wednesday 23

- 11.30am Holy Communion at Holly Lodge

#### Thursday 24

- 10.30am Holy Communion.

#### Saturday 26

- 10.00am—3.00pm working party in the churchyard.
- 10.00—11.00 Vestry Hour
- 10.00—12.00 Open Church

We plan to have a churchyard working next Saturday 26th September. We have worked hard to keep the churchyard looking tidy and cared for this year and would like to carry out some final tidying and clearing before the growing season ends. If you can give any time between 10.00am and 3.00pm next Saturday please come along and give us a hand. If you can bring any tools, including mowers and strimmers, that would be even better but if not, just turn up and we'll share what tools we have. Please sign the list at the back of church if you can help so that we have an idea of numbers to expect. Thanks



There is a list at the back of church to sign if you would like to go to the All Together day in Worcester Cathedral on Saturday 10th October. Please indicate if you would like a lift or can offer a lift. Further details about this event can be found in the September issue of the Parish Magazine.

There will be a confirmation class for the three candidates following the 10.00am service today.

**We invite you to offer prayers for .....**

***The World Church:***

The Diocese of Southern Brazil with Bishop Humberto Maiztegue.

***Churches Together:***

The Quaker Church in Stourbridge

***Bishop John has asked us to pray for.....***

all those involved in organising the science and faith lectures at Malvern Priory this week, for the speakers and all those who will attend.

***The work of St Mary's.....***

Will and Caroline who were married here yesterday. Carol and Jason who will be married here next Sunday. Charlotte Elizabeth Hazelhurst, Harvey James Kerfoot and Esme June Millership who will be baptised here this afternoon.

***Those living in:***

Mount Road and Burnt Oak Drive

***Local Community:***

Those who use and help to run St Basil's home for the homeless.

***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, Richard Ryan, Elian Irvine-Boden, Robert James, Judy Taylor, Paul Whyley, Ruth Hardy, Gail Johnson, Carter McCullagh, Dianne Smith, Ray Tolley and Ivan Partridge.

***We continue to pray for:***

Sanchia Farman, Eleanor Hill, Lennon Southall, Vicky Croydon, Martin Aston, Jonathan Bryan, 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:***

Andrew Chamberlain and Neil Hunt

*May they know the peace and joy of God's Kingdom*

*Please pray for 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.*

**The Gospel Reading**

Mark 9:30-37

*Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark*

***GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.***

After leaving the mountain Jesus and his disciples went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, 'The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the way?' But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, 'Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.' Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, 'Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

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

**Post Communion Prayer:**

Almighty God, you have taught us through your Son that love is the fulfilling of the law; grant that we may love you with our whole heart and our neighbours as ourselves; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Readings for our 6.30pm service.

### **The Old Testament Reading**

Isaiah 33: 13-17

You who are far away, hear what I have done;  
you who are near, acknowledge my power!  
The sinners in Zion are terrified;  
trembling grips the godless:  
“Who of us can dwell with the consuming fire?  
Who of us can dwell with everlasting burning?”  
Those who walk righteously  
and speak what is right,  
who reject gain from extortion  
and keep their hands from accepting bribes,  
who stop their ears against plots of murder  
and shut their eyes against contemplating evil—  
they are the ones who will dwell on the heights,  
whose refuge will be the mountain fortress.  
Their bread will be supplied,  
and water will not fail them.  
Your eyes will see the king in his beauty  
and view a land that stretches afar.

### **The New Testament Reading**

Matthew 6: 19—34

“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

“The eye is the lamp of the body. If your eyes are healthy, your whole body will be full of light. But if your eyes are unhealthy, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light within you is darkness, how great is that darkness!

“No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.

“Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life?

“And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? So do not worry, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.