

Any bottles for our bottle stall at the Christmas Market would be gratefully received. There is a pink box at the back of church for collecting full bottles of anything!!

Christmas Market -

Notice of change of planning meeting date from 19th October to 17th November. Also, we have lots of jewellery but need help to sell it! If you would like to help us please contact me at kateyfletcher@btinternet.com

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.

Dates for your diary:

Sunday 15th November—presentation regarding the use of our financial resources at all services.

Monday 16th 7.30pm PCC Meeting

Tuesday 17th 2.00 Tea at the Coach House

7.30pm Christmas Market planning meeting

Saturday 21st 3.00pm Annual service for the renewal of ALM and Eucharistic Assistant permissions at Belbroughton.

Sunday 22nd Visiting preacher at our 10.00am service
Elaine Marrey from the Street Pastors Team.

Tuesday 24th 2.30pm Tuesday Tea in the narthex.

Saturday 28th 9.30am walking group outing to Penn and Wall Heath

4.00pm Hospice Tree of Light Service

Sunday 29th Advent Sunday—visiting preacher at our 10.00am service
Jonathan Kimber—Diocesan Director of Ministry and Discipleship
6.30pm Advent Carol Service.

Please send any notices or information for the pewsheet to the Parish Office by 12 noon on a Wednesday. Send to st.mary.os@btconnect.com or text to 07956675990 or phone 01384 441003.

The Parish Church of St Mary Oldswinford Sunday 8th November 2015 Trinity 23



Remembrance Sunday



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

Our services today are as follows:

8.00am - Holy Communion

President: Revd Stephen Agnew

Collect, Epistle and Gospel P244 **Sides:** Ian Nex

10.00am - Worship Together including an act of remembrance

President: Revd Stephen Agnew

Warden: Tony Tatford **Sides:** Stan & Avril Williams

Reader: Tony Tatford

Music provided by our music group.



6.30pm - Choral Evensong

Officiant: Revd Stephen Agnew

Warden: Maggie Abbotts **Sides:** Gemma Sutton

Readers: Liz Fourness *Isaiah 10: 33-11:9* & Gemma Sutton
John 14: 1—29

Intercessions: Roger King

Responses: Ingley **Setting:** Wood in D

Anthem: O Saviour of the world—Goss

Voluntary: Fugue in Eb (St Anne) - Bach

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"As we remember those who sacrificed their lives in conflict we seek the ways of peace"

Welcome and Notices

As we gather together we light a candle to symbolize the peace to which we aspire
Blessed are the peacemakers; they shall be called children of God
As we remember those people who sacrificed their lives in conflict we commit ourselves to seek peace in God's world.



Father of all mercies:
grant that our remembrance this day may be
consecrated for practical service
and the world made better for our children's children. **Amen.**

HYMN: - NHWS 348 We have a dream

PENITENCE

Lord God our Father, maker of all:
we praise you for your great work creating the world.
Give us the skill to build a society where all may thrive, and
forgive us when we use your gifts poorly.

Lord, have mercy. All Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, Prince of Peace:
as we thank you for your life among us,
forgive us when we fail to live together as one family.
Help us to dwell together in love and peace, seeking one
another's welfare, bearing one another's burdens, and
sharing one another's joys.

Christ, have mercy. All Christ, have mercy.

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What's going on?

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

SERVICES NEXT

SUNDAY

November 15th

Trinity 24

Second before Advent

8.00am Communion(BCP)

10.00am Parish Communion

6.30pm Evensong

CHURCH DIARY FOR THIS WEEK

Monday 9

10.00am The Open The Book Team visit Oldswinford Primary School

Tuesday 10

11.30am Holy Communion at Holly Croft

Wednesday 11

Armistice day

Thursday 12

10.30am Holy Communion.

Friday 13

Stephen's day off.

Saturday 14

10.00—11.00 Vestry Hour

10.00—12.00 Open Church



Would you like to help out with our Children Together groups which meet on a Sunday morning during the service? It would be good to have more people involved. This is such an important ministry and it would be great to expand the team. Please speak to Stephen if you feel you can help.

Hi Everyone

We are back after half term and still recovering from the excitement of officially receiving the Queens Award from the Duke of Kent! It was a wonderful afternoon and everyone enjoyed it.



We are leaping from Harvest to Christmas and there are a couple of cut off dates for donations to make a note of:

The last day for donating Advent Calendars is Friday 20th November

The last day for donating Christmas Food (such as mince pies) is Friday 4th December.

We love being able to give Christmas treats in the food parcels but please remember the vital items on our shopping list are essential for providing balanced meals for families and individuals.

SHORTAGES

Fruit juice, small jars of coffee, hot chocolate, tinned fruit shaving gellfoam.

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.

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We invite you to offer prayers for

The World Church:

The Diocese of Upper Shire in central Africa with their Bishop Brighton Malasa. Also the Diocese of Agder & Telemark in Norway with Bishop Stein Reinertsen.

Churches Together:

Members of Hanbury Hill Baptist Church

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

those who lost their lives in battle for the protection of their country and for those helping in Remembrance services today.

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

Members of our ALM pastoral team who are meeting this week. We pray for their work in our community.

Those living in:

The Woodlands and Willow Park Drive

Local Community:

The students and staff of Oldswinford Primary School.

Among those who are ill:

William Bates, Rory Macintosh, Brian Norgrove, Sally Taylor, David Jackson, Angela Dixon, Alan Lowe, Richard Ryan, Elian Irvine-Boden, Robert James, Dianne Smith, Ray Tolley, Anne May, Anne Davies, Grace Jones, Patrick Wilkinson and Ivan Partridge.

We continue to pray for:

Martin Aston, Ruth Hardy, Anna Scudamore, Vicky Croydon, Jonathan Bryan, Ros Bickel, Noah Cantius, Richard Tatler and Michael Woodall.

Those in nursing home care:

Sheila Westwood and June O'Brian

The departed:

Paul Whyley, Theo Luxton and Roberta Farman.

In memoriam

Patricia Harris (11.11.14)

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 or a member of the pastoral care team as soon as possible if you know of any illness or particular need within the congregation.

Holy Spirit, Lord of grace, fulfiller of humanity:
give us strength to face the future, and wisdom to learn
from the past as we remember those who have given their
lives in the service of justice and peace.

Lord, have mercy. *All* Lord, have mercy

THE ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

Let us remember before God, and commend to his sure
keeping:

those who have died for their country in conflict;
those whom we knew, and whose memory we treasure;
and all who have lived and died in the service of humanity.

A second voice says

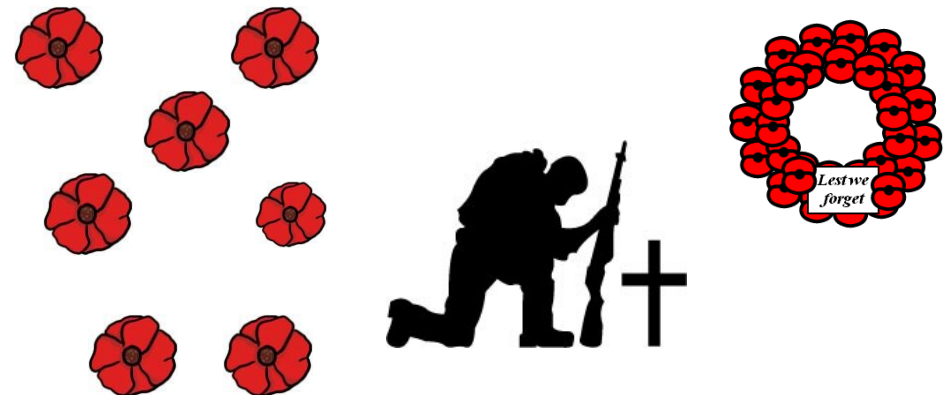
They shall grow not old as we that are left grow old:

Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning

We will remember them. *All* **We will remember them.**

The Last Post The Silence The Reveille The laying of the wreath



COMMEMORATION

Almighty and eternal God,
from whose love in Christ we cannot be parted,
either by death or life:
Hear our prayers and thanksgivings
for all whom we remember this day;
fulfil in them the purpose of your love;
and bring us all, with them, to your eternal joy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

HYMN Put peace into each other's hands **(SHEET)**

READING John 15: 7–17

Address: Names remembered—Roy Peacock.



HYMN In Christ alone my hope is found **(SHEET)**

Prayers:

Response: We pray to the Lord Lord, hear our prayer.

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.**



Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

“You heard me say, ‘I am going away and I am coming back to you.’ If you loved me, you would be glad that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. I have told you now before it happens, so that when it does happen you will believe.

*I am the Way,
the Truth,
and the Life*



John 14:6

Jesus answered: “Don’t you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Don’t you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you I do not speak on my own authority. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing his work. Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the works themselves. Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it. Jesus Promises the Holy Spirit

“If you love me, keep my commands. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever— the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love them and show myself to them.”

Then Judas (not Judas Iscariot) said, “But, Lord, why do you intend to show yourself to us and not to the world?”

Jesus replied, “Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Anyone who does not love me will not obey my teaching. These words you hear are not my own; they belong to the Father who sent me.

“All this I have spoken while still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.

Welcome to 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

Jesus said, 'love on another. As I have loved you, so you are to love one another.'

The Peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.** Let us offer one another a sign of peace.



HYMN -NHWS 79 For the healing of the nations
(during which the collection will be taken)

A DEDICATION PRAYER

Lord God our Father, we pledge ourselves to serve you and all your peoples, in the cause of peace, for the relief of want and suffering, and for the praise of your name. Guide us by your Spirit; give us wisdom; give us courage; give us hope; and keep us faithful now and always. Amen.

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

The Blessing followed by the Dismissal

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



Roy Peacock will lead a tour of the churchyard following the service to visit graves of service personnel.

Readings for our 6.30pm service.

The Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 10: 33-11:9

See, the Lord, the LORD Almighty,
will lop off the boughs with great power.
The lofty trees will be felled,
the tall ones will be brought low.
He will cut down the forest thickets with an ax;
Lebanon will fall before the Mighty One.

The Branch From Jesse

A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse;
from his roots a Branch will bear fruit.
The Spirit of the LORD will rest on him—
the Spirit of wisdom and of understanding,
the Spirit of counsel and of might,
the Spirit of the knowledge and fear of the LORD—
and he will delight in the fear of the LORD.

He will not judge by what he sees with his eyes,
or decide by what he hears with his ears;
but with righteousness he will judge the needy,
with justice he will give decisions for the poor of
the earth.
He will strike the earth with the rod of his mouth;
with the breath of his lips he will slay the wicked.
Righteousness will be his belt
and faithfulness the sash around his waist.

The wolf will live with the lamb,
the leopard will lie down with the goat,
the calf and the lion and the yearling together;
and a little child will lead them.
The cow will feed with the bear,
their young will lie down together,
and the lion will eat straw like the ox.
The infant will play near the cobra's den,
and the young child will put its hand into the
viper's nest.
They will neither harm nor destroy
on all my holy mountain,
for the earth will be filled with the knowledge of
the LORD as the waters cover the sea.

The New Testament Reading

John 14: 1-29

“Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. You know the way to the place where I am going.”

Thomas said to him, “Lord, we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the way?”

Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you really know me, you will know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him.”

Philip said, “Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us.”