



Our next Messy
Church Event will be on Saturday
3rd September.
2.00pm—4.00pm
in church.



We have obtained a Parish Pass for Westminster Abbey. This pass allows six free entries during the year with up to 4 adults allowed entry on each visit. If you would like to make use of our Parish Pass please speak to John in the Parish Office. 01384 441003
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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 or text to 07956675990 or phone 01384 441003.

The Parish Church of St Mary Oldswinford Sunday 10th July 2016 Trinity 7



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

Collect: *Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same: 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*

Our services today are as follows:

8.00am - Holy Communion

President: Revd Stephen Agnew
Collect, Epistle and Gospel P216
Sides: Nick Harbach

10.00am - Worship Together

President: Revd Stephen Agnew
Warden: Ian Nex **Sides:** Stan & Avril Williams
Reader: Jean Agnew
Music led by our music group.



6.30pm - Choral Evensong

Officiant: Revd Stephen Agnew
Warden: Marjorie Ferguson **Sides:** Stan Williams
Readers: Tina Timms Genesis 32: 9—30
Marjorie Ferguson Mark 7: 1—23
Intercessions: Roger King
Responses: Ayleward **Setting:** Plainsong tones
Anthem: O for a closer walk with God—C V Stanford
Voluntary: Adagio in E - F Bridge



Who does God want us to draw alongside?

Welcome and Notices

Opening prayer

Be with us, Spirit of God; **nothing can separate us from your love.**
 Breathe on us, breath of God; **fill us with your saving power.**
 Speak in us, wisdom of God; **bring strength, healing and peace.**
Silence is kept
 The Lord is here. **His Spirit is with us.**

HYMN: - SHEET Take this moment

READING PSALM 25 v1-10 Read by Stan Williams
 (The Lord is our guide)

Prayer of thanksgiving

*In response to the words: 'God's saving power will rise like the sun'
 all say: 'bringing healing like the sun's rays'.*

Prayers of Confession

Jesus saw the city and wept over it, because it did not recognize the time of God's coming. We confess our part in the self-centeredness, blindness and sin of the life of our community.

Christ came in humility to share our lives; forgive our pride.
 Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**
 Christ came with good news for all people: forgive our silence
 Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**
 Christ came in love to a world of suffering: forgive our self-centeredness.
 Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Absolution

Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ has given us a kingdom that cannot be destroyed, forgive us our sins, open our eyes to God's truth, strengthen us to do God's will and give us the joy of his kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

We say together the collect

HYMN — NHWS 82 The Servant King

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Holy Trinity Church, Amblecote

welcomes from Germany the young singers of

Junge Kantorei Muehlberg

Director: Stefan Jaenke

for a concert of

Music for a Summer Evening

LET'S GO AND SEE

GOD'S BEAUTIFUL WORLD

on

Wednesday 27th July 2016

at 7.30 pm

ALL WELCOME - FREE ADMISSION

**Suggested minimum donation of £2 per adult
 to include refreshments**

Further information: 01384 394226 / 01384 394057

www.holytrinityamblecote.org.uk

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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

July 17th

Trinity 7

8.00 am
Communion (BCP)

10.00am
Parish Communion

3.00pm Baptisms

6.30pm Evensong

CHURCH DIARY FOR THIS WEEK

Monday 11

Alex's day off
10.00am Open The Book Team
visit Oldswinford Primary School

Tuesday 12

2.15pm Mothers' Union meeting

Wednesday 13

3.00pm Holy Communion at
Oriel House

Thursday 14

10.30am Holy Communion in
church

Friday 15 July

Stephen's day off

Saturday 16

10.00am Open Church and
vestry hour.

1.00pm & 3.00pm Weddings in
church.

MESSAGE FROM THE FOODBANK

Hi Everyone

We are getting closer to the summer holidays and a time of year when lots of families struggle as free school meals cease for a few weeks. Please help us to support as many of these families as we can with emergency food provision.

Thank you to all those who support us!

Thank you :) This week's shortages are:

Breakfast Cereal (Low Sugar) Jam/Marmalade Biscuits Plain Rice (only a few bags left) Mashed Potato Tinned Fruit Tinned Tomatoes Deodorant Shampoo Shower Gel Tissues Shaving Foam/Gel Adult Toothpaste Adult Toothbrushes Washing Up Liquid Sanitary Towels

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.



READING Luke 10. 25-37 Read by Jean Agnew
(Jesus teaches about recognizing God's action in others)

After the reading we say:

O Lord, your word is everlasting;

it stands firm for ever in the heavens.

ADDRESS by Revd Alex French

HYMN - NHWS 359 When I needed a neighbour

Prayers: In response to the words: 'Father of all'
all say: **'hear your children's 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

God calls us to peace:

in God's justice is our peace.

Christ calls us to be God's people:

in Christ is our peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

HYMN - NHWS 163 I, the Lord of sea and sky
(during which the collection will be taken)

The Blessing

'May Christ, who out of defeat brings new hope and a new future,
fill you with his new life; and the blessing

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

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Take this moment.

1. Take this moment, sign and space,
take my friends around;
here among us make the place
where your love is found.

2. Take the time to call my name,
take the time to mend
who I am and what I've been,
all I've failed to tend.

3. Take the tiredness of my days,
take my past regret,
letting your forgiveness touch
all I can't forget.

4. Take the little child in me
scared of growing old,
help me here to find my worth
made in Christ's own mould.

5. Take my talents, take my skills,
take what's yet to be;
let my life be yours, and yet
let it still be me.

We invite you to offer prayers for

The World Church:

The Diocese of Linköping in Sweden with bishop Martin Modeus. Also the Episcopal Church in the Philippines with Archbishop Renato Abibico

Churches Together:

Hanbury Hill Baptist Church

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

all those involved in Kingdom Arts in Worcester, that more people will come to faith or have their faith strengthened as a result.

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

Roy Evans and Louise Clift who were married here yesterday. Members of our Youth Club and their leaders enjoying time away together in the Far Forest.

Those living in:

Leys Close and Tall Trees Drive

Local Community:

The residents and staff of Oriel House Care Home.

Among those who are ill:

Angela Viner, Niamh McCormack, Finley Rogerson, Paul Turner, Denis Noakes, Brian Taylor, Emma Brown, Claire Walters, Harold White and Alexis Strong.

We continue to pray for:

Lauren Simpson, Rory Macintosh, Elian Irvine-Boden, Anne May, Sally Nelson, Grace Jones, Dianne Smith, Angela Dixon, Sally Taylor, Martin Aston, Ruth Hardy, Anna Scudamore, Jonathan Bryan, Ros Bickel, Noah Cantius, Janet Blaxland, Richard Tatler and Michael Woodall.

Those in nursing home care:

Sheila Westwood, June O'Brian, Richard Aldred, Anne Davies and Derek Elton

The departed:

Ray Milner and Brian Norgrove

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.

The New Testament Reading

Mark 7: 1—23

That Which Defiles

The Pharisees and some of the teachers of the law who had come from Jerusalem gathered around Jesus and saw some of his disciples eating food with hands that were defiled, that is, unwashed. (The Pharisees and all the Jews do not eat unless they give their hands a ceremonial washing, holding to the tradition of the elders. When they come from the marketplace they do not eat unless they wash. And they observe many other traditions, such as the washing of cups, pitchers and kettles.)

So the Pharisees and teachers of the law asked Jesus, “Why don’t your disciples live according to the tradition of the elders instead of eating their food with defiled hands?”

He replied, “Isaiah was right when he prophesied about you hypocrites; as it is written:

“‘These people honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me.

They worship me in vain; their teachings are merely human rules.’ You have let go of the commands of God and are holding on to human traditions.”

And he continued, “You have a fine way of setting aside the commands of God in order to observe your own traditions! For Moses said, ‘Honor your father and mother,’ and, ‘Anyone who curses their father or mother is to be put to death.’ But you say that if anyone declares that what might have been used to help their father or mother is Corban (that is, devoted to God)— then you no longer let them do anything for their father or mother. Thus you nullify the word of God by your tradition that you have handed down. And you do many things like that.”

Again Jesus called the crowd to him and said, “Listen to me, everyone, and understand this. Nothing outside a person can defile them by going into them. Rather, it is what comes out of a person that defiles them.”

After he had left the crowd and entered the house, his disciples asked him about this parable. “Are you so dull?” he asked. “Don’t you see that nothing that enters a person from the outside can defile them? For it doesn’t go into their heart but into their stomach, and then out of the body.” (In saying this, Jesus declared all foods clean.)

He went on: “What comes out of a person is what defiles them. For it is from within, out of a person’s heart, that evil thoughts come—sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, greed, malice, deceit, lewdness, envy, slander, arrogance and folly. All these evils come from inside and defile a person.”

Psalms 25

- 1 To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.
- 2 O my God, in you I trust;
do not let me be put to shame;
do not let my enemies exult over me.
- 3 Do not let those who wait for you be put to
shame; let them be ashamed who are wantonly
treacherous.
- 4 Make me to know your ways, O Lord;
teach me your paths.
- 5 Lead me in your truth, and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation;
for you I wait all day long.
- 6 Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord,
and of your steadfast love,
for they have been from of old.
- 7 Do not remember the sins of my youth or my
transgressions;
according to your steadfast love remember me,
for your goodness’ sake, O Lord!
- 8 Good and upright is the Lord;
therefore he instructs sinners in the way.
- 9 He leads the humble in what is right,
and teaches the humble his way.
- 10 All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and
faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant
and his decrees.

The Parable of the Good Samaritan



Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself." And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."

But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbour?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side.

So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side.

But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend. 'Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?' He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

Readings for our 6.30pm service.

The Old Testament Reading

Genesis 32: 9—30

Then Jacob prayed, "O God of my father Abraham, God of my father Isaac, Lord, you who said to me, 'Go back to your country and your relatives, and I will make you prosper,' I am unworthy of all the kindness and faithfulness you have shown your servant. I had only my staff when I crossed this Jordan, but now I have become two camps. Save me, I pray, from the hand of my brother Esau, for I am afraid he will come and attack me, and also the mothers with their children. But you have said, 'I will surely make you prosper and will make your descendants like the sand of the sea, which cannot be counted.'"

He spent the night there, and from what he had with him he selected a gift for his brother Esau: two hundred female goats and twenty male goats, two hundred ewes and twenty rams, thirty female camels with their young, forty cows and ten bulls, and twenty female donkeys and ten male donkeys. He put them in the care of his servants, each herd by itself, and said to his servants, "Go ahead of me, and keep some space between the herds." He instructed the one in the lead: "When my brother Esau meets you and asks, 'Who do you belong to, and where are you going, and who owns all these animals in front of you?' then you are to say, 'They belong to your servant Jacob. They are a gift sent to my lord Esau, and he is coming behind us.'"

He also instructed the second, the third and all the others who followed the herds: "You are to say the same thing to Esau when you meet him. And be sure to say, 'Your servant Jacob is coming behind us.'" For he thought, "I will pacify him with these gifts I am sending on ahead; later, when I see him, perhaps he will receive me." So Jacob's gifts went on ahead of him, but he himself spent the night in the camp.

Jacob Wrestles With God

That night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two female servants and his eleven sons and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. After he had sent them across the stream, he sent over all his possessions. So Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him till daybreak. When the man saw that he could not overpower him, he touched the socket of Jacob's hip so that his hip was wrenched as he wrestled with the man. Then the man said, "Let me go, for it is daybreak."

But Jacob replied, "I will not let you go unless you bless me."

The man asked him, "What is your name?"

"Jacob," he answered.

Then the man said, "Your name will no longer be Jacob, but Israel, because you have struggled with God and with humans and have overcome."

Jacob said, "Please tell me your name."

But he replied, "Why do you ask my name?" Then he blessed him there.

So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "It is because I saw God face to face, and yet my life was spared."