

### Heating issues at St Mary's Oldswinford

Please accept our apologies for the inconvenience you may experience whilst the heating in the church is not operating fully. Be assured that everyone involved with this challenge is doing all they can to resolve the difficulties. In the meantime we will locate services to the best of our ability to provide a suitable, comfortable and functional environment. This will include use of the narthex, the church hall and possibly, other locations for some services.

The PCC has been working towards the replacement of the aged and inefficient boiler for several months with clergy, churchwardens, the Master of Fabric, the Diocesan Heating Advisor, the Diocesan Advisory Committee and Heating engineers and contractors playing their part. An original plan for everything to be agreed for the installation of a new boiler during the recent summer months failed to materialise due to the complexity of the installation. There has been much debate and investigation by the various experts involved and the process has taken longer than originally hoped due to various unfortunate but unavoidable delays.

Unfortunately, despite regular servicing and our best hopes, the existing boiler failed to light when it was first needed this autumn and attempts to seek a remedy currently suggest the boiler is beyond repair.

In the next week we hope to determine the details of the final installation specification and to appoint a contractor to supply and fit the new installation at the earliest opportunity. We hope all to be complete by the end of November but it is too early to make any promises in this regard.

Details progress in this respect and the location of services will be published on the website, in pewsheets, on noticeboards and at services throughout the next few weeks.

Thank you for your understanding.  
The Church Wardens

**Our annual All Souls Service, when we remember those that we have loved and lost, will be next Sunday 30th October at 6.30pm. The service will be held in the narthex at the back of church. If you would like the name of somebody to be read at this service please add the name to the list.**

**Please sign the list if you would like to be involved in in our worship and liturgy planning review group. The first meeting will be on Sunday 13th November at 3.00pm**

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 23rd October 2016

### Trinity 22—Bible Sunday



*A warm welcome to any visitors who are worshipping with us today. Due to our ongoing heating issues in the church all of our services today will be held in the church hall.*

*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) or our Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/StMarysChurchOldswinford](https://www.facebook.com/StMarysChurchOldswinford).*

#### Our services today are as follows:

##### **8.00am - Holy Communion**

**President:** Revd Stephen Agnew  
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**Sides:** Eve Evans

##### **10.00am - Parish Communion**

*The choir are on holiday today*  
**President:** Revd Stephen Agnew  
**Preacher:** Revd Alex French  
**Warden:** Tony Tatford  
**Sides:** Marilyn Thomson & John Evans  
**Reader:** Peter Jones **Intercessions:** John Sutton  
**Children Together:** Les Timms & Pauline Pettet  
**Voluntary:** Voluntary in G – J Stanley

##### **6.30pm – Evensong**

**Officiant:** Revd Alex French  
**Preacher:** Roger King  
**Warden:** Maggie Abbotts **Sides:** Alec Beevers  
**Readers:** Peter Thomson *Jeremiah 36: 9—end*  
Alec Beevers *Romans 10: 5—17*  
**Intercessions:** Revd Alex French  
**Voluntary:** Prelude in E flat – CHH Parry

## Collect for this week:

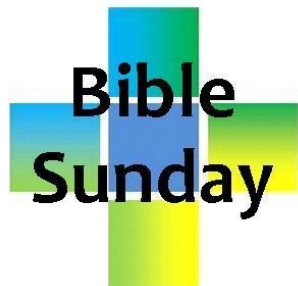
Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: help us so to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, 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 Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 45: 22—25

Thus says the LORD, Turn to me and be saved, all the ends of the earth! For I am God, and there is no other. By myself I have sworn, from my mouth has gone forth in righteousness a word that shall not return: 'To me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear.' Only in the LORD, it shall be said of me, are righteousness and strength; all who were incensed against him shall come to him and be ashamed. In the LORD all the offspring of Israel shall triumph and glory.



*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 these pages.

### SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY October 30—All Saints Trinity 23

8.00 am  
Communion (BCP)  
(Service held in the narthex)  
10.00am  
Parish Communion  
(Service held in the church hall)  
6.30pm  
Evensong including  
commemoration of the departed.  
(Service held in the narthex)

### CHURCH DIARY FOR THIS WEEK Schools half term week.

#### Monday 24

Alex's day off

#### Tuesday 25

2.15pm Tuesday Tea in the narthex

#### Wednesday 26

11.30am Holy Communion at Holly Lodge

#### Thursday 27

10.30am Holy Communion in church led by Revd John Corker

#### Saturday 29

9.30am The Walking Group meet for a walk at Barnt Green  
10.00am Open Church and vestry hour.

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Don't forget that the clocks change next Saturday. Don't arrive too early for church next Sunday!

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

**The World Church:**

The Diocese of Vaxjo in Sweden with Bishop Fredrik Modeus and the church in Cuba with Bishop Griselda Del Carpio with Suffragan Bishop Ulises Pendes

**Churches Together:**

Hanbury Hill Baptist Church

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

all those involved in the organising of the Tiny Tunes concerts which are held in St Martin's Church Worcester and for all those who attend.

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

Scarlett Rose Flynn, who will be baptised at St Mary's today. For her parents and Godparents who will support her. Those who will be enjoying their half term break from school this week.

**Those living in:**

The residents and staff of Holly Lodge Care Home.

**Local Community:**

The pupils and staff of Oldswinford Hospital School.

**Among those who are ill:**

Angela Viner, Elizabeth Gale, Niamh McCormack, Emma Brown, Joe Yeates and Enid Clarke.

**We continue to pray for:**

Rory Macintosh, Ros Yeates Elian Irvine-Boden, Anne May, Grace Jones, Angela Dixon, Sally Taylor, Martin Aston, Ruth Hardy, Anna Scudamore, Jonathan Bryan, Noah Cantius, and Michael Woodall, Finley Rogerson, Denis Noakes, Harold and Hazel White and Alexis Strong.

**Those in nursing home care:**

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

*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.*

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

**The Gospel Reading**

Luke 4: 16—24

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

**GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.**

When Jesus came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: 'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.' And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.' All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, 'Is not this Joseph's son?' He said to them, 'Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, "Doctor, cure yourself!" And you will say, "Do here also in your home town the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum."' And he said, 'Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's home town.'

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

**Post Communion Prayer:**

God of all grace, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all your weakness sustain us by your true and living bread; who is alive and reigns now and for ever.

This pew sheet is also available at [www.stmaryschurcholdswinford.org.uk](http://www.stmaryschurcholdswinford.org.uk)

## **Readings for our 6.30pm service.**

### **The Old Testament Reading**

#### **Jeremiah 36: 9—32**

In the fifth year of King Jehoiakim son of Josiah of Judah, in the ninth month, all the people in Jerusalem and all the people who came from the towns of Judah to Jerusalem proclaimed a fast before the LORD. Then, in the hearing of all the people, Baruch read the words of Jeremiah from the scroll, in the house of the LORD, in the chamber of Gemariah son of Shaphan the secretary, which was in the upper court, at the entry of the New Gate of the LORD's house.

When Micaiah son of Gemariah son of Shaphan heard all the words of the LORD from the scroll, he went down to the king's house, into the secretary's chamber; and all the officials were sitting there: Elishama the secretary, Delaiah son of Shemaiah, Elnathan son of Achbor, Gemariah son of Shaphan, Zedekiah son of Hananiah, and all the officials. And Micaiah told them all the words that he had heard, when Baruch read the scroll in the hearing of the people. Then all the officials sent Jehudi son of Nethaniah son of Shelemiah son of Cushi to say to Baruch, 'Bring the scroll that you read in the hearing of the people, and come.' So Baruch son of Neriah took the scroll in his hand and came to them. And they said to him, 'Sit down and read it to us.' So Baruch read it to them. When they heard all the words, they turned to one another in alarm, and said to Baruch, 'We certainly must report all these words to the king.' Then they questioned Baruch, 'Tell us now, how did you write all these words? Was it at his dictation?' Baruch answered them, 'He dictated all these words to me, and I wrote them with ink on the scroll.' Then the officials said to Baruch, 'Go and hide, you and Jeremiah, and let no one know where you are.'

Leaving the scroll in the chamber of Elishama the secretary, they went to the court of the king; and they reported all the words to the king. Then the king sent Jehudi to get the scroll, and he took it from the chamber of Elishama the secretary; and Jehudi read it to the king and all the officials who stood beside the king. Now the king was sitting in his winter apartment (it was the ninth month), and there was a fire burning in the brazier before him. As Jehudi read three or four columns, the king would cut them off with a penknife and throw them into the fire in the brazier, until the entire scroll was consumed in the fire that was in the brazier. Yet neither the king, nor any of his servants who heard all these words, was alarmed, nor did they tear their garments. Even when Elnathan and Delaiah and Gemariah urged the king not to burn the scroll, he would not listen to them. And the king commanded Jerahmeel the king's son and Seraiah son of Azriel and Shelemiah son of Abdeel to arrest the secretary Baruch and the prophet Jeremiah. But the LORD hid them.

Now, after the king had burned the scroll with the words that Baruch wrote at Jeremiah's dictation, the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah: Take another scroll and write on it all the former words that were in the first scroll, which King Jehoiakim of Judah has burned. And concerning King Jehoiakim of Judah you shall say: Thus says the LORD, You have dared to burn this scroll, saying, Why have you written in it that the king of Babylon will certainly come and destroy this land, and will cut off from it human beings and animals? Therefore thus says the LORD concerning King Jehoiakim of Judah: He shall have no one to sit upon the throne of David, and his dead body shall be cast out to the heat by day and the frost by night. And I will punish him and his offspring and his servants for their iniquity; I will bring on them, and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and on the people of Judah, all the disasters with which I have threatened them – but they would not listen.

Then Jeremiah took another scroll and gave it to the secretary Baruch son of Neriah, who wrote on it at Jeremiah's dictation all the words of the scroll that King Jehoiakim of Judah had burned in the fire; and many similar words were added to them.

### **The New Testament Reading**

#### **Romans 10:5—17**

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that 'the person who does these things will live by them.' But the righteousness that comes from faith says, 'Do not say in your heart, "Who will ascend into heaven?"' (that is, to bring Christ down) 'or "Who will descend into the abyss?"' (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? 'The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart' (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, 'No one who believes in him will be put to shame.' For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, 'How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!' But not all have obeyed the good news; for Isaiah says, 'Lord, who has believed our message?' So faith comes from what is heard, and what is heard comes through the word of Christ.