The next Mission Coffee morning will be on Saturday 28th October between 10.00am and 12 noon, £2 for coffee and cake with proceeds going towards the mission of St Mary's. Tickets are now on sale from members of the mission committee

# National Memorial Arboretum 18th November

Unfortunately we have not been able to generate enough interest in our planned trip to the National Memorial Arboretum to make it viable. Therefore we have had to take the decision to cancel it. Thank you to everyone who had initially signed up.

> You are invited to a Fairtrade Breakfast on Saturday, 11 November 2017, 9.00-11.00 a.m.

at New Road Methodist Church (on the ring road)

Join reps from other churches to:

- examine the biblical basis for supporting Fairtrade
- get an update on the state of FT in the UK and
- share ideas for promoting FT within our congregations



RSVP to Jane (07799 965748 jane-williamson@tiscali.co.uk)

Don't forget our Barn Dance- great night guaranteed Organised by our social committee on Saturday 21st October in the Church Hall. The callers are Eve and John Evans. Cost £10.00 to include a hot supper. Please bring your own drinks and glasses.

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. This pewsheet is printed on recycled paper. 🚓

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# The Parish Church of St Mary Oldswinford Sunday 8 October 2017 **Trinity 17**



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 when we are also having a cake sale in aid of Macmillan Cancer Care. If you would like to find out about any of the activities associated with church please visit our website at www.stmaryschurcholdswinford.org.uk or our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/StMarysChurchOldswinford.

Collect: Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you; pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself, and so bring us at last to your heavenly city where we shall see you face to face; 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.

#### Our services today are as follows:

8.00am - Holy Communion **President:** Revd Alex French

Readings: Collect , Epistle and Gospel on page 233

Sides: Eve Evans

# 10.00am - Worship Together - followed by cake sale

**President:** Revd Stephen Agnew

Warden: Malcolm Frost Sides: Sally Frost & Betty Parsons

Readers: Sally Frost & Janet Hampson

Voluntary: Basse et dessus de Trompette - L Clerambault

Welcome to the families of those who have recently or will soon be baptised.

# 4.00pm—Pet Blessing Service

#### 6.30pm - Choral Evensong

Officiant: Revd Stephen Agnew

Warden: Joan Barwick Sides: Gill Davies

Readers: Tina Timms & Gill Davies

**Responses:** Aylward **Setting:** Tallis Short Service

**Anthem:** Locus iste - A Bruckner Intercessions: Revd Alex French

**Voluntary:** Praeludium in D - D Buxtehude

During this service Roy Peacock will speak about Ernest Stevens on the 60th anniversary of his

death.

This pew sheet is also available at www.stmaryschurcholdswinford.org.uk

# 'God saw all that he had made, and it was very good' Genesis 1: 31

#### INTRODUCTION

This is the day which the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

HYMN 537 For the beauty of the earth t. Englands Lane

Behold the kingdom of our Lord. Behold the beauty of the sky, the warmth of the earth, the wonders of his creation. Come with joy and praise his holy name. Amen. Amen.

The Lord who threw stars into space and hung the cobwebs of morning with tears of light, he alone is to be praised. **Alleluia.** 

When God pronounced that his creation was good, it was not only that his hand had fashioned every creature; it was that his breath had brought every creature to life. The presence of God's spirit in all living beings is what makes them beautiful; and if we look with God's eyes, nothing on earth is ugly. (Pelagius)

A Prayer of Thanksgiving is said. In response to the words: We give you thanks all say We praise your holy name At the end of the prayer we sing twice: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the Highest.

#### CONFESSION

We come to God as one from whom no secrets are hidden, to ask for his forgiveness and peace.

We confess to you our lack of care for the world you have given us.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

We confess to you our selfishness in not sharing the earth's bounty fairly.

Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

We confess to you our failure to protect resources for others.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

REASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS



READING Genesis 9: 7-17

(God promises that he will never cause his creation to be destroyed)

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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 October 15 Trinity 18

8.00 am Communion

(BCP)

10.00am Parish

Communion

12.15pm Baptism

6.30pm Evensong

# CHURCH DIARY FOR THIS WEEK

#### Monday 9

Parish Office closed Alex's day off.

Funeral service in church

#### Tuesday 10

10.00am Open The Book team visit OCEPS

11.30am Holy Communion at Holly Croft

#### Thursday 12

10.30am Holy Communion in church

2.15 pm funeral service in church

#### Friday 13

Stephen's day off

#### Saturday 14

10.00am Open Church and vestry hour with Stephen.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE FOODBANK

#### Hi Everyone

Thank you for donating your Harvest donations we really appreciate it!

We have had a few more school councils in to visit and ask lots of questions about Foodbank. If you are thinking of holding a collection please be encouraged to do so. We can help you with shopping lists and posters. All the information is available on our website. Thank you everyone!:)

Thank yow

## This week's shortages are:

HOT CHOCOLATE, SMALL JARS OF COFFEE, TINNED FRUIT, UHT MILK, FRUIT JUICE, BREAKFAST CEREAL, TINNED READY MEALS (CHILLI / CURRY / RAVIOLI / MEATBALLS), JAM / MARMALADE, JARS OF COOKING SAUCE, PACKETS OF DRIED NOODLES, TINNED CUSTARD, TINNED RICE PUDDING, TINNED SPONGE PUDDING, MALE SHAVING GEL / FOAM, ADULT TOOTHBRUSHES, DEODORANT, WASHING UP LIQUID SMALL BOXES OF WASHING POWDER

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. Any donations of bags to help carry the donations from the large boxes at the back of church to the collection station would be greatly appreciated. Thank you for your support.

This pew sheet is also available at www.stmaryschurcholdswinford.org.uk

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

#### The World Church:

The Diocese of Hadersley in Denmark with Bishop Marianne Christiansen

### **Churches Together:**

New Road Methodist Church

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

for all who work in our prisons, prisoners and their families and the multi-faith and ecumenical teams of chaplains and volunteers. For the chaplains' ministry of pastoral care, reconciliation and reformation. For those who are victims of crime and those who care for them. For prisons Sunday and the special service in the Cathedral.

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

For the families of Joan Chamberlain and Harold White whose funerals will take place this week. For Oliver Reid, Ivy Tanner, Hugh Brown and Annabelle Hazlehurst who are preparing for baptism. For Amelie Smith, Olivia Sheppard, Carter and Cooper Oakley and Thomas Agnew who we welcome as newly baptised today. For all their parents and Godparents who will be supporting them.

#### Those living in:

Grange Lane and Sandyacre Way

#### **Local Community:**

St Basil's home for the homeless.

#### Among those who are ill:

Joni Stainburn, Betty and Joe Chiswell, The Palmer family, Julie Read, Betty Shore, Judy Taylor, Lilian Bunny and Ian Moore.

# We continue to pray for:

Margaret Moult, Rory Macintosh, Joe and Ros Yeates, Elian Irvine-Boden, Maureen Parmee, Anne May, Martin Aston, Ruth Hardy, Anna Scudamore, Jonathan Bryan, Noah Cantius, Michael Woodall, Finley Rogerson, Andrew and Lesley Mullen, Justin and Kevin, Peter and Lydia Wilkinson, Bosilka Lazic, Grace Jones, Enid Clarke, Peter and Angela Viner and Denis Noakes.

#### Those in nursing home care:

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

#### The departed:

Beryl Lawrence, Joan Chamberlain, Marcus Smith, Tony Cooper and Harold White

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.

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HYMN 650 Great is thy faithfulness

**READING** Ephesians 3: 14-21

(A prayer that God's people may be able to see God at work)

#### **ADDRESS**

737 New songs of celebration render **HYMN** 

#### **PRAYERS**

Response: Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

#### The Lord's Prayer

#### 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

We are the body of Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body. Let us then pursue all that makes for peace and builds up our common life.

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

723 Loved with everlasting love **HYMN** (during which the collection will be taken)

#### THE BLESSING

May god the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the source of all goodness and growth, pour his blessing upon all things created, and upon you his children. That you may use his gifts to his glory and the welfare of all peoples: And may the blessing.....

#### THE DISMISSAL

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



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# The Old Testament Reading

Proverbs 2: I—II

My child, if you accept my words and treasure up my commandments within you, making your ear attentive to wisdom and inclining your heart to understanding; if you indeed cry out for insight, and raise your voice for understanding; if you seek it like silver, and search for it as for hidden treasures then you will understand the fear of the Lord and find the knowledge of God. For the Lord gives wisdom; from his mouth come knowledge and understanding; he stores up sound wisdom for the upright; he is a shield to those who walk blamelessly, guarding the paths of justice and preserving the way of his faithful ones. Then you will understand righteousness and justice and equity, every good path; for wisdom will come into your heart, and knowledge will be pleasant to your soul; prudence will watch over you; and understanding will guard you.

# The New Testament Reading

I John 2: I—I7

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

Now by this we may be sure that we know him, if we obey his commandments. Whoever says, "I have come to know him," but does not obey his commandments, is a liar, and in such a person the truth does not exist; but whoever obeys his word, truly in this person the love of God has reached perfection. By this we may be sure that we are in him: 6 whoever says, "I abide in him," ought to walk just as he walked.

Beloved, I am writing you no new commandment, but an old commandment that you have had from the beginning; the old commandment is the word that you have heard. Yet I am writing you a new commandment that is true in him and in you, because the darkness is passing away and the true light is already shining. Whoever says, "I am in the light," while hating a brother or sister, is still in the darkness. Whoever loves a brother or sister lives in the light, and in such a person there is no cause for stumbling. But whoever hates another believer is in the darkness, walks in the darkness, and does not know the way to go, because the darkness has brought on blindness.

I am writing to you, little children, because your sins are forgiven on account of his name. I am writing to you, fathers, because you know him who is from the beginning. I am writing to you, young people, because you have conquered the evil one.

I write to you, children, because you know the Father.

I write to you, fathers, because you know him who is from the beginning. I write to you, young people, because you are strong and the word of God abides in you, and you have overcome the evil one.

Do not love the world or the things in the world. The love of the Father is not in those who love the world; for all that is in the world—the desire of the flesh, the desire of the eyes, the pride in riches—comes not from the Father but from the world. And the world and its desire are passing away, but those who do the will of God live forever.

