New service rota

The new service rota which runs from Sunday 2 September through to Sunday 30 December is now ready. Copies have been e mailed to those on the distribution list. Hard copies are available at the back of church. Thank you to everybody who has volunteered to help on this rota.

The Rectory Office will be closed on Thursday and Friday this week.

Date for your diary:

On Tuesday 11th September a full peal will be rung on our bells by a visiting band of ringers. A full peal consists of 5000 consecutive changes and takes just under 3 hours to ring.

Stephen's final Sunday with us will be **Sunday 30th September**.

We shall be holding a bring and share lunch in the church hall on this day Our harvest festival this year will be on Sunday 7th October.

The church will be decorated the day before on Saturday 6th October. The next Friends of the Music concert will be on Saturday October

20th. Michael Jones will present a concert of music.

Our next Messy Church will be on Wednesday 22nd August from 10.00 - 12.00 in the Church Hall. Anne Batchelor our Mission Enabler and Emma Pettifer, the Diocesan Childrens' Officer will be leading the event this time. Please let Anne know if you would like to attend as we need to organise food! Her contact details are: abatchelor@cofe-worcester.org.uk or 07931175448



During the next few weeks many of the regular groups that use our church hall take holiday and so we currently have plenty of spare capacity. We like to make the best use of our resources so if you know of anybody who you think may be able to make use of it we charge £25 per hour. John manages all the bookings from the Rectory Office.

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.

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



The Parish Church of St Mary Oldswinford Sunday 5 August 2018 Trinity 10



A warm welcome to any visitors who are worshipping with us today. Please join us for a chat over a cup of coffee after our 10.00am service. 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 or our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/StMarysChurchOldswinford.

Our services today are as follows:

8.00am - Holy Communion

President: Revd Alex French

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Sides: Nick Harbach

10.00am - Parish Communion The choir are on holiday

President: Revd Stephen Agnew

Preacher: Roger King

Warden: Tony Tatford Sides: Sue Tatford & Pauline Pettet

Reader: Tony Tatford Intercessions: Judith Nex

Children Together: Revd Alex French

Organ Music: Allegro—CPE Bach

2.00pm Wedding Service

6.30pm - Evensong

Officiant: Revd Stephen Agnew

Preacher: Roger King

Warden: Joan Barwick Sides: Alec Beevers

Readers: Judith Nex and Alec Beevers. **Intercessions:** Revd Stephen Agnew

Voluntary: Basse de trompette — L Clerambault

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

Collect for this week:

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you; 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

Ephesians 4: I—I6

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said,

"When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people."

(When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

This is the Word of the Lord

THANKS BE TO GOD.





Tickets available from either Malcolm Frost or Tony Tatford. Transport can be arranged if needed.

Congratulations to Roger who has now completed his training as Licensed Lay Minister or as it is more commonly known, Reader. His official licensing service will be in the cathedral on Saturday 15th September at 2.30pm. Watch out for further details of transport sharing for people who would like to attend the service.

What's going on?

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

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY August 12 **Trinity 11**

8.00 am Communion (BCP) 10.00am Worship Together

6.30pm Evensong

CHURCH DIARY FOR THIS WEEK

Monday 6

Parish Office closed today 2.00pm Sewing group using the narthex

7.30pm PCC meeting in the narthex

Tuesday 7

CCTV system being installed in church

Wednesday 8

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Thursday 9

Parish Office closed today

10.30am Holy Communion in church

Friday 10

Parish Office closed today

Clergy day off.

Saturday 11

10.00am Vestry hour with Alex 10.00am—12 noon Open Church

MESSAGE FROM THE FOODBANK

FOODBANK

Hello Everyone

Thank you for the continued support as we navigate through a busy summer holidays. Please encourage all your friends, relatives and colleagues to donate as much as possible so we can meet the demand. All the donation points can be found on our website This week's shortages are:

BAGS OF PLAIN RICE 500G AND 1Kg, INSTANT NOODLES, 1L CARTONS OF FRUIT JUICE, TINNED MEAT (HAM/CORNED BEEF/SPAM), TINNED VEG READY MEALS - eg MAC CHEESE, CHOPPED TOMATOES, UHT MILK IL CARTONS, SQUASH/CORDIAL, TINNED FRUIT, BREAKFAST CE-REAL, BISCUITS, FEMALE DEODORANT, SHOWER GEL (VERY LOW), SHAMPOO.

Please note that the foodbank cannot accept donations of alcohol. Thanks.

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.

The Gospel Reading

John 6: 24-35

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.

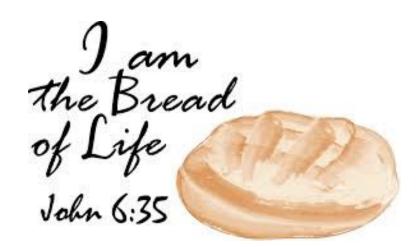
So when the crowd saw that neither lesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you Our ancestors ate the manna in the performing? wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat." Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven.

For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

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



Post Communion Prayer:

God of our pilgrimage, you have willed that the gate of mercy should stand open for those who trust in you; look upon us with your favour that we who follow the path of your will may never wander from the way of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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We invite you to offer prayers for **Worldwide Church:**

The Diocese of Helsinki in Finland with Bishop Teemu Laajasalo.

Churches Together:

St James Wollaston

Bishop John has asked us to pray

for Revd Cassisus Francis in his new role as Just Finance Development Worker for the Black Country. Pray for the people and parishes he will support.

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

For Ben and Jess who were married here yesterday. David and Amy who will be married here today.

Those living in:

Margaret Drive and The Furlongs

Local Community:

Oriel House Care Home

Among those who are ill:

Betty Shore, Michael Palmer, James Gwilliams, Colin Millward, Cliff Day, Rachel Walsh, Sidney Agnew, Brian Drew and Ian Moore.

We continue to pray for:

Betty and Joe Chiswell, Judy Taylor, Rory Macintosh, Joe and Ros Yeates, Elian Irvine-Boden, Anne May, Martin Aston, Ruth Hardy, Anna Scudamore, Jonathan Bryan, Noah Cantius, Michael Woodall, Finley Rogerson, Andrew and Lesley Mullen, Justin and Kevin, Grace, Peter & Angela Viner, Penny Webb, Jennie Webb, and Denis Noakes.

Those in nursing home care:

Margaret Moult, Mabel Arnold and Geoff Skelding, Anne Davies.

The departed:

Graham Hill, Leonard Philip Saintlohn and Valerie Young.

In memoriam:

Raymond Perry (7.8.17) Margaret Savage (7.8.17) John Wootten (11.8.17)

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.