

Childrens Society Boxholders - Collection campaign 2019

I am planning to start collecting the Childrens Society Boxes during the last two weeks in September, in order to ensure all the monies are collected, counted and the return made to the society by the end of October.

I will, as usual, collect any boxes from those unable to bring them in to church - I will have a list of all our boxholders, but if anyone finds themselves unable to bring boxes into church they can always give me a ring to arrange collection, my number is 01384 371247 and there is a message taking service if we are not there.
Maggie Abbotts

Service of All Souls

Our service of All Souls, when we remember the faithful departed, will be on Sunday 3 November this year at 6.30pm. As usual, we will be inviting family members from all funerals that our clergy have been involved with this year. You are also invited to add names of loved ones you wish to be remembered in prayer to the list which is at the back of church.

Harvest Supper

Our harvest supper this year will be on Saturday October 12th in the church hall. If you would like to join us then please sign the list at the back of church.



We have a Parish Pass which gives free entry into Westminster Abbey. If anybody is planning a visit to London speak to John via the parish office and he can arrange for you to take the pass. Each use of the pass allows up to 4 adults, students or children 6—16 free of charge.



We have a Facebook page. If you're a Facebook user and want to keep up to speed with events at St Mary's visit-
www.facebook.com/StMarysChurchOldswinford.

The Parish Church of St Mary Oldswinford

Sunday September 15 2019

Trinity 13



*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 John Flitcroft

Readings from BCP page 225 **Sides:** Nicola Stanley

10.00am - Parish Communion

President: Revd John Flitcroft

Preacher: Revd John Flitcroft

Warden: Les Timms **Sides:** Merl & Colin Roberts

Reader: Merl Roberts **Intercessions:** Peter Thomson

Children Together: Peter & Kathryn Hancox

Coffee: Peter & Kathryn Hancox

Communion Motet: View me, Lord—Lloyd

Voluntary: Postlude on Was lebet - Tambling

6.30pm – Evensong

Officiant: Revd John Flitcroft **Preacher:** Roger King

Warden: Marjorie Ferguson

Readers: Marjorie Ferguson & Angela Price

Anthem: Thou knowest Lord —Purcell

Voluntary: Grand Choeur - Salome

Collect: Almighty God, who called your church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, 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

I Timothy 1: 12—17

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honour and glory forever and ever. Amen.

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 September 22 TRINITY 14

8.00 am Communion (BCP)
Led by Revd Alex French

10.00am Parish Communion
Led by Revd Alex French

6.30pm Evensong
Led by Revd Alex French

The new service rota, which will run up until the end of December, is now available. If you use e mail a copy will have been e mailed to you. There are also hard copies available at the back of church.

CHURCH DIARY FOR THIS WEEK

Monday 16

Parish office closed today.

12 noon Interment of Ashes in the churchyard.

Tuesday 17

10.00am The Open The Book Team visit OCEPS

2.00pm Tea in the Coach House

7.30pm PCC Meeting

Wednesday 18

10.00am Prayer meeting at the home of Marjorie Ferguson

Thursday 19

10.30am Holy Communion in church followed by refreshments.

Friday 20

Clergy day off

Saturday 21

10.00am—11.00am Vestry hour with Roger

10.00am—12 noon Open Church

We invite you to offer prayers for

Worldwide Church:

The Diocese of Tanga in Tanzania with Archbishop Maimbo Mndolwa.
Also Tuam, Killala and Achonry in Ireland with Bishop Patrick Rooke

Churches Together:

St Michael and All Angels Church in Norton

Bishop John has asked us to pray

for the Cathedral Undercroft project, for its vision to be fully realised in our community

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

For our Open The Book Team visiting our primary school on Tuesday.
For our PCC who will be meeting this week. The Revd Canon David Nichol as he prepares to take up his new role as Priest in Charge of Pedmore and St Andrew's Wollescote next Sunday.

Those living in:

Yarnborough Hill and Linden Close

Local Community:

Oldswinford Hospital School

Among those who are ill:

Adrian Smith, Peter & Angela Viner, Pamela Peacock, the Rogerson family, Fr Alan Williams, Iris Wheeler, Mary Joyce Tolley, Mavis Kynaston, Maureen Baker, Joe and Ros Yeates, Noah Bingham and Victor Ellams

We continue to pray for:

Colin Millward, Joyce Agnew, Nicola, Miriam Palmer, Josh Raffan, Ian Moore, Brian Drew, Joe Chiswell, Judy Taylor, Rory Macintosh, Elian Irvine-Boden, Martin Aston, Ruth Hardy, Anna Scudamore, Jonathan Bryan, Noah Cantius, Denis Noakes, Michael Woodall, Penny Webb, The May family, Heather and Alex.

Those in nursing home care:

Margaret Moulton, Dorothy Gibson and Betty Shore.

The departed:

As his ashes are interred Jack Edmonds

In memoriam:

Beryl Moreton (17.9.18)

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 Gospel Reading

Luke 15: 1—10

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.

Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So he told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbours, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

"Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbours, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

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

Post Communion Prayer:

God our creator, you feed your children with the true manna, the living bread from heaven; let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage until we come to that place where hunger and thirst are no more; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

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

Readings for our 6.30pm service.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 60 15—end

Whereas you have been forsaken and hated, with no one passing through, I will make you majestic forever, a joy from age to age.

You shall suck the milk of nations, you shall suck the breasts of kings; and you shall know that I, the Lord, am your Saviour and your Redeemer, the Mighty One of Jacob.

Instead of bronze I will bring gold, instead of iron I will bring silver; instead of wood, bronze, instead of stones, iron.

I will appoint Peace as your overseer and Righteousness as your taskmaster.

Violence shall no more be heard in your land, devastation or destruction within your borders; you shall call your walls Salvation, and your gates Praise.

The sun shall no longer be your light by day, nor for brightness shall the moon give light to you by night; but the LORD will be your everlasting light, and your God will be your glory.

Your sun shall no more go down, or your moon withdraw itself; for the LORD will be your everlasting light, and your days of mourning shall be ended.

Your people shall all be righteous; they shall possess the land forever. They are the shoot that I planted, the work of my hands, so that I might be glorified.

The least of them shall become a clan, and the smallest one a mighty nation; I am the LORD; in its time I will accomplish it quickly.

The New Testament Reading

John 5: 30—47

“I can do nothing on my own. As I hear, I judge; and my judgment is just, because I seek to do not my own will but the will of him who sent me.

“If I testify about myself, my testimony is not true. There is another who testifies on my behalf, and I know that his testimony to me is true. You sent messengers to John, and he testified to the truth. Not that I accept such human testimony, but I say these things so that you may be saved. He was a burning and shining lamp, and you were willing to rejoice for a while in his light. But I have a testimony greater than John’s. The works that the Father has given me to complete, the very works that I am doing, testify on my behalf that the Father has sent me. And the Father who sent me has himself testified on my behalf. You have never heard his voice or seen his form, and you do not have his word abiding in you, because you do not believe him whom he has sent.

“You search the scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that testify on my behalf. Yet you refuse to come to me to have life. I do not accept glory from human beings. But I know that you do not have the love of God in you. I have come in my Father’s name, and you do not accept me; if another comes in his own name, you will accept him. How can you believe when you accept glory from one another and do not seek the glory that comes from the one who alone is God? Do not think that I will accuse you before the Father; your accuser is Moses, on whom you have set your hope. If you believed Moses, you would believe me, for he wrote about me. But if you do not believe what he wrote, how will you believe what I say?”