

Services Next Sunday— 30 April 2017

3rd Sunday of Easter

St Mary's NO 8am Holy Communion

St James' Chapel Over Norton (No service on 2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays)

St Mary's 10.45am Benefice Communion + Baptism

Leading: Rev Martha Simpson Preaching: Rev James Kennedy

Reading: John 15:26-27, 16:13-15 Mary Smith Prayers: Rev Ursula Simpson



Chipping Norton

Sharing the life-changing love of Jesus
serving our whole community

23rd April 2017
2nd Sunday of Easter
Morning Worship

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Financial Giving

If you would like to give to support the mission and ministry of St Mary's, may we encourage you to join our planned giving scheme. If you are a UK taxpayer you may be able to add Gift Aid which increases your giving by 25%. Please pick up a leaflet to explore ways to give or you can give online at <https://my.give.net/donations>

St Mary's is a caring fellowship.

Being a member of a Small Group is the best way to make sure you are both cared for, and able to care for others. For more information about joining a group please email smallgroups@stmaryscnorton.com. Otherwise, if you or anyone you know is sad or unwell, in hospital or in need of any other support, please let the Church Office know. We have a team of pastoral visitors who would love to help.

I believe in God the Holy Spirit:

Life-giving Spirit.

"I am going to open your graves and bring you up from them...
I will put my Spirit in you and you will live"
Ezekiel 37:12,14

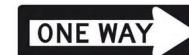
Welcome to today's service!

So far this year, we've ensured that the foundations of our faith are solid by looking at the Creed, considering what it is that Christians the world over believe about God the Father and God the Son. In this season between Easter and Pentecost, we're completing the picture by looking at what the Bible reveals to us about God the Holy Spirit.

This morning, to get us started, Justyn will introduce us to God's life-giving Spirit, and his role in creation, renewal and recreation.

With our Easter celebrations of Jesus' resurrection still at the forefront of our minds, we'll also draw from two prominent passages—one from the Old Testament and one from the New Testament, both of which point to the way in which it has always been God's plan that the Holy Spirit should bring new life, enabling us all to share in the power and reality of Jesus' resurrection.

James Kennedy (Vicar)



This week, our Youth will be staying in for the whole service—'Ab'laze' (for youth aged 11-16) will start up again after Easter on Sunday 30th April. As usual, though, during our 10.45 service, we run a supervised crèche, 'Oneway' (for children aged 3-11) and . Everyone is welcome!

This Sunday—23 April 2016

2nd Sunday of Easter

St Mary's 8am Holy Communion (BCP) Leading: Rev Hugh Williams
Reading: Acts 2:14a, 22-32 Barbara Ambrose

St James' Chapel Over Norton (No service on 2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays)

St Mary's 10.45am Morning Worship (with Creche, 'One Way' & Ablaze)

Leading: Rev Jackie Jones Preaching: Very Revd Dr Justyn Terry
Reading: Ezekiel 37:1-14, 1 Cor 15:35-44 Fiona Rossington Prayers: Graham Povey

Men's Curry Night 8pm at Spice of India

*****NOTICES*****

Rev Ursula Simpson's Licensing Service, Tuesday 25 April, 7.30pm

Please do come along on Tuesday to extend a warm welcome to Ursula and Roger Simpson as they are both licenced to the Benefice. They would love to meet as many of you as possible!

1st Priority Prayer—Churches Together (7.30pm, Wed 3rd May)

Join us this month as we pray together with other churches in the town. As we enter into a new season, we need the full weight of all of your prayers, so please be a part of a time of uplifting worship and corporate prayer. If you've not been before, come and take up your place in what fuels the life of the church.

Men's Fellowship Breakfast—, 8.30-10.00am on Sat 6 May in Parish Rooms) Come for a full English and to hear our guest speaker, Peter Stephens, a senior employee of Nissan Cars and former Missionary in Namibia.

Accessible Church Training - 7.30-9pm tomorrow (24th April)

We want to extend a welcome to all. Accessibility means enabling everyone to access church from the moment they arrive ... being proactive not reactive. Sometimes, when we meet someone with complex needs we are unsure how to react. This training evening will provide the opportunity to learn about how to include children, youth and adults with additional needs in the church community. It will be run by Naomi Graham, an Occupational Therapist whose passion leads her to work with churches to enable those with additional needs to participate in worship and grow in their relationship with God. She also oversees New Wine's Accessible Church Ministry. .

See additional Notices on extra insert.

CHURCH DIARY

THIS WEEK - 24 - 30 April 2017

Mon 24 Apr St Mary's Pilates class 6—7pm in Parish Rooms
Accessible Church Training (7.30pm in Parish Rooms)

Tues 25 Apr Licensing of Rev Ursula Simpson (7.30pm in Church)

Wed 26 Apr St Mary's Minis (10 –11.30am in Parish Rooms)

Thurs 27 Apr Visiting Bell Ringers (9.15—10.am in church)
Midweek Communion + coffee (10am in Parish Rooms)

Thanksgiving Service for Camilla Howard (3pm in Church)
Members of the church family, especially the Thursday Communion group are invited to join Camilla's family for tea in the Parish Rooms after the service. In remembrance of Camilla the family request a posy of garden flowers in a jam jar to decorate the Parish Rooms. They will be setting up from 5pm on Wednesday.

Fri 28 Apr 'Remix' Youth Club 3.15—4.45pm in Glyme Hall

Fri 28 & Chipping Norton Literary Festival Workshops Venue

Bill Marflit RIP

Bill Marflit passed away this week. Please remember Bill's family in your prayers at this time. Bill will be reunited with his wife Nancy who died last year.

CALENDAR OF FURTHER EVENTS

Sat 6 May Men United Breakfast (8.30-10.00am in Parish Rooms)
Guest speaker: Peter Stephens, a senior employee of Nissan Cars and former Missionary in Namibia. Contact David Bishop if you'd like to come. davidbish5@phonecoop.coop

Mon 8 May Come for Tea (2.30-4pm in the Parish Rooms)

Sat 20 May St Mary's Garden Fete (12noon-4pm in Old Vicarage Garden)
Friends event.

Sun 4 June Pentecost praise (7.30-9pm at St Mary's)

June (tbc) Men United—'FootGolf' at Heythrop Park (details to follow)

Sat 1 July Paula Smith's Ordination 10am at Christ Church, Oxford.)
All are very welcome to attend.

For further information, please contact the Church Office