

## Services on Sunday 23 June 2019

### Trinity Sunday

**St Mary's 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) Leading:** Rev Jackie Jones  
Reading: Galatians 3:23-end (Matthew Carpenter) Gospel: Luke 8: 26-39  
**St James' Chapel Over Norton (No service on 2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays)**

### St Mary's 10.45am Morning Worship + Baptism (with Sparklers, Ignite, OneWay & Ablaze)

**Leading:** Tom Simpson **Preaching:** Rev Martha Simpson  
**Reading:** Ruth 2:19-3:18 (John/Judith Marshall) **Prayers:** Rachel Chai  
**Encounter Service** Café open at 5.30pm..Service at 6pm  
**Men's Curry Night** 8pm at Spice of India.

### Contacting St Mary's

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*N.B. James takes his rest day on a Friday*

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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](mailto: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.



Chipping Norton

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

16th June 2019

Trinity Sunday  
Holy Communion

## Ruth—Little Story, Big love: Provision and Protection

"But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come" John 16:13

## Welcome to today's service!

Today the Church celebrates the Trinity. That is, the nature of God, three yet also one. A mind boggling, fascinating and mysterious concept. The outworking of God as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, however, is not abstract. This is about God working through all parts of our lives. Jesus promises us that His Spirit, will be with us, guiding us into all truth. As we continue our sermon series in Ruth, we come to a point where amidst the tragedy and darkness of life which overburdens us, God shows that He is with us, crafting His plan for our good, and for His Glory. God showed to Ruth and Naomi, that through faithfulness, humility and persistence, God doesn't abandon us. By his loving nature, he protects and honours us. We, his followers today have that same promise of His full presence with us by His Spirit, who will guide us from the darkness into the light and provide abundantly for all we need. Let us then take up the invitation to put our trust and faith in Him alone.

*Toby Artis*

Assistant Curate

**SPARKLERS**

**ONE WAY**

**ignite**

We love having families of all ages in our 10.45am service. All children and youth are welcome to join our groups: Sparklers (under 3s), Ignite (3-5 years), One Way (6-11 years) and Ablaze (youth aged 11-16 years).

## Services This Sunday: 16th June 2019

### Trinity Sunday

**St Mary's 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) Leading:** Rev Ursula Simpson  
Reading: Romans 5:1-5 (Barbara Ambrose) Gospel: John 16: 121-15

**St James' Chapel Over Norton 9.15am Morning Worship Leading:** Rev T Artis

**St Mary's 10.45am Holy Communion (with Sparklers, Ignite, OneWay & Ablaze)**

**Leading:** Rev Martha Simpson      **Preaching:** Rev Toby Artis  
**Reading:** Ruth 1:22-2:18 (Mark Knight)      **Prayers:** Graham Povey

### Praying around the Deanery. This week: St James' Over Norton

Please pray for James Kennedy, David Salter, Martha Simpson, Jackie Jones, Toby Artis and Ursula Simpson and the Churchwardens Graham Pover and Tim Woolcock..

## \*\*\*\*\*NOTICES\*\*\*\*\*

### Building to Serve Campaign Director

In the month since my previous update, things have inched forward on the legal front and we now believe that all the paperwork is in order. We are hoping and praying to be able to complete the purchase by the end of June.

Meanwhile, the Buildings Team continues to work behind the scenes with Banbury-based architects, Acanthus Clews to draft feasibility drawings. We hope that these will help everyone to visualise the possible scope (if not perhaps the full detail quite yet) of the vision that is emerging for the Old Bank. Assuming that there are no further unexpected delays, we'll be looking to share some of those conceptual drawings with you in the coming weeks. We also hope to open the doors to the Old Bank briefly during the Town Festival and to have a display board at Pandemonium in the Park on the 6th July to keep the wider community engaged.

A real priority for us now is therefore to ramp up our prayer activity. The staff team will be thinking about how we can help people to do that intentionally together in the coming months, but in addition to anything that we do together, I can't over-emphasise how important your own personal prayers will be.

Another urgent priority in early July will be to appoint a part time 'Campaign Director' for the significant task of fundraising that lies ahead, both for the Old Bank and for the necessary redevelopment of St Mary's Church itself. If you have fundraising expertise and would relish the challenge of helping us to bring this project into being, please do get in touch as soon as possible for a Job Description ([alastair.ewer@stmaryscnorton.com](mailto:alastair.ewer@stmaryscnorton.com)).

I hope that we'll be able to share more exciting news with you very soon. Keep looking on the website for further updates ([www.stmaryscnorton.com/building-to-serve-project.php](http://www.stmaryscnorton.com/building-to-serve-project.php)) Please pray that we will keep aligned with God's plans every step of the way.

### Immersion Baptism

The date for our next Immersion Baptisms is on **Sunday 14 July** during the 10.45am service. If you have been thinking about taking this step yourself, please speak to Toby Artis: [toby.artis@stmaryscnorton.com](mailto:toby.artis@stmaryscnorton.com)

## CHURCH DIARY

THIS WEEK : 17—22 June 2019

- Mon 17 Jun Pilates** (6-7pm in Parish Rooms)
- Tue 18 Jun Alpha Course 5** (7 for 7.30pm in Parish Rooms) Set up from 6pm
- Wed 19 Jun St Mary's Minis** 10—11.15am in Parish Rooms  
**Breastfeeding Support Group Meeting** (12noon-2.30pm in Parish Rooms)
- Thu 20 Jun Midweek Communion + coffee** (10am in Parish Rooms)  
**CAP Life Skills** (11.30am—3.00pm in Parish Rooms)  
**Funeral: Brian Goodenough** (12noon at Oxford Crematorium)  
**Hymns of Praise + tea** (3pm in the church)
- Fri 21 Jun Mini Movers** (8.30-10am in St Mary's School Hall)  
**Remix Youth Club** (3.15-4.45 in Glyme Hall)
- Sat 22 Jun Boy's Hike & Breakfast** (9am dep CN School, 11am breakfast In Parish Rooms)

### Calling all Gospel Choir singers

Great news that the Gospel Choir has been asked to sing at the beginning of the Chippy Town Festival! This will be on **Sunday 30 June** as part of the Churches together presentation. New singers are welcome. We will meet for a practice on **Sunday 23 June from 4pm to 5pm in the Parish Rooms** Please let Rachel or Ben know if you'd like to take part ([rachel.chai@btinternet.com](mailto:rachel.chai@btinternet.com))

## CALENDAR OF FURTHER EVENTS

- Sun 23 Jun Toby's Ordination (Priesting)** (10.30am at Dorchester Abbey.  
**Gospel Choir Practice for Town Festival** (4-5pm in Parish Rooms)  
**Encounter Service** (5.30 Café opens for 6pm Service at St Mary's)
- Sst 29 Jun Judith's Ordination** (2pm at Christ Church cathedral, Oxford)  
12.15pm coach departs from CN School.—see separate notice.
- Sun 30 Jun CN Town Festival** (11am Churches Together Opening worship)  
There will be 8am HC(BCP) at St Mary's but **No main service at 10.45am**
- Wed 3 Jul 1st Priority Prayer & NCGP** (7.30pm at St Mary's CN)
- Sat 6 July Pandemonium in the Park** Please note the date in your diaries!  
Further information to follow.
- Mon 8 Jul Come for Tea** (2.30pm in Parish Rooms)
- Sat 13 July Men's Breakfast NB Change of date—not on 6 July.**
- Sun 14 July Immersion Baptism** (during 10.45am service at St Mary's CN)
- Thu 18 Jul Hymns of Praise + tea** (3pm in the church)
- Sat 20 July Boy's Hike & Breakfast** (9am dep CN School, 11am breakfast In Parish Rooms).
- Mon 22—Fri 26 July 'Feast & Fun' Holiday Club in the Parish Rooms**  
*Further information to follow.*
- Sun 4th—Sun 11 August New Wine at new venue—near Peterborough**

*For further information, please contact the Church Office.*