

Services on Sunday 30 June & 7 July 2019

30 June—2nd Sunday after Trinity

St Mary's 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) Leading: Rev Martha Simpson

Reading: Galatians 5:1,13-25 (to be arranged) Gospel: Luke 9: 51-end

7 July—3rd Sunday after Trinity

St Mary's 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) Leading: Rev James Kennedy

Reading: Galatians 6:7-16 / Ruth 4:1-12 (Martin Jarratt) Gospel: Luke 10:1-11,16-20

St James' Chapel Over Norton 9.15am HC (BCP) Leading: Rev Jackie Jones

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

Leading: Rev James Kennedy Preaching: Bill Rees

Reading: Ruth 4:1-12 (Helen Pooley) Prayers: to be arranged



Chipping Norton

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

23rd June 2019

1st Sunday after Trinity

Morning Worship + Baptism

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Ruth—Little Story, Big love: Making plans..

"And now, my daughter, don't be afraid. I will do for you all you ask. (Ruth 3.11)

Welcome to today's service!

Today as we continue looking at the Little story of Ruth we reach somewhat of a dramatic climax. Ruth the widow is ready for a change and, encouraged by her mother-in-law, she takes one of the biggest risks of her life to secure a future for herself and Naomi. Risk is something that we all have to enter into to grow - whether we are a baby like Maisie, who we welcome for Baptism this morning, risking the basic physical skills needed for life, or an adult risking new experiences and relationships. Risk is here to stay. Some of us thrive on risk whilst others shy away from it at every turn. What is certain is that no relationship ever began or developed without each person involved being willing to risk it. It's no different with God - if we want to know him and be known by him, we need to risk approaching him, opening up to him, allowing him to see and know us. What we find when we do is rarely what we are expecting - nothing less than his Big Love for US! Jesus risked everything; there was, and is, no reserve in his willingness to approach us. The question is, how ready are we to approach him?

Martha Simpson (Curate)

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.

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: 23 June 2019

1st Sunday after Trinity

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, One-Way & 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.

Praying around the Deanery. This week: The Deanery Lay Chair.
Please pray for Catherine Hitchens and her work as Deanery Lay Chair.

*****NOTICES*****

Encounter (This evening, Sun 23rd, 5.30pm BBQ before 6pm start)

Do come along and join us as we seek to Encounter the living God in a service with a relaxed, contemporary feel. If you're young (or young at heart!), this is aimed particularly towards you... The BBQ will be fired up to serve delicious burgers from BBQ from 5.30pm, and the worship will kick off at 6pm.

Town Festival (Sunday 30th, starting 11am in the town centre)

The Churches Together have been invited, this year, to open the Town Festival with a time of worship. We're keen to give as strong a show of collective witness as we can, so - instead of meeting for our usual services - the churches have all been asked to direct their congregations to join together at 11am in the town centre to kick-start proceedings. Please be there if you possibly can! Also, we'll have a joint CAP and Churches Together stall throughout the day, so do please drop in (or if you'd be willing to stay for an hour or so at any point between 11am and 4pm, please contact Ursula.Simpson@stmaryscnorton.com).

Pandemonium in the Park (Saturday 6th July on the Common, 12-3pm)

We're so excited to be able to serve the town again this year, sharing the life-changing love of Jesus by laying on a day of free fun and festivity. It's an amazing opportunity for the while church to pull together and share in the joy of doling out our love and hearts of service. If you've not already signed up (on the sheets on the yellow notice-boards), don't miss out - there are openings to suit everybody's gifts and abilities, so what part can you play? What a privilege it is to have these opportunities!

Building to Serve Campaign Director

If you missed it last week, do visit our website (www.stmaryscnorton.com/building-to-serve-project.php) for an update on progress with the planned purchase of the Old Bank. Please keep praying passionately for the whole project. Another immediate priority is 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 visit our website for a Job Description.

CHURCH DIARY

FOR NEXT TWO WEEKS : 24 June—6 July 2019

- Mon 24 Jun Pilates** (6-7pm in Parish Rooms)
Tue 25 Jun Alpha Course 6 (7 for 7.30pm in Parish Rooms) Set up from 6pm
Wed 26 Jun St Mary's Minis 10—11.15am in Parish Rooms
Thu 27 Jun Midweek Communion + coffee (10am in Parish Rooms)
CAP Life Skills (11.30am—3.00pm in Parish Rooms)
Fri 28 Jun Mini Movers (8.30-10am in St Mary's School Hall)
Remix Youth Club (3.15-4.45 in Glyme Hall)
Sat 29 Jun Judith's Ordination (2pm at Christ Church cathedral, Oxford)
12.15pm coach departs from CN School and returns afterwards for Celebration Party in Parish Rooms)
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**
Mon 1 Jul Pilates (6-7pm in Parish Rooms)
Tue 2 Jul Alpha Course 7 (7 for 7.30pm in Parish Rooms) Set up from 6pm
Wed 3 Jul 1st Priority Prayer & NCGP (7.30pm at St Mary's CN)
Thu 4 Jul Midweek Communion + coffee (10am in Parish Rooms)
Fri 5 Jul Mini Movers (8.30-10am in St Mary's School Hall)
Remix Youth Club (3.15-4.45 in Glyme Hall)
Sat 6 July Pandemonium in the Park Please note the date in your diaries!

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

CALENDAR OF FURTHER EVENTS

- 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, Wed 24 & Fri 26 July 'Feast & Fun' Holiday Club in the Parish Rooms and Church. *Further information to follow.*
Sun 4th—Sun 11 August New Wine at new venue—near Peterborough

For further information, please contact the Church Office.