

## Services Next Sunday— 18 March 2018

### 5th Sunday of Lent

**St Mary's 8am Holy Communion (BCP) Leading: Rev David Salter**  
Reading: Hebrews 5: 5-510 (Andy Thomson)

### St James' Chapel Over Norton 9.15am: Morning Worship

Leading: Rev James Kennedy

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

Leading: Rev Ursula Simpson Preaching: James Kennedy

Reading: Psalm 46 (Jamie/Rachel Bell) Prayers: (John Marshall)

6pm 'Encounter' Service

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### Clergy Team

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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.

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

11th March 2018

4th Sunday of Lent & Mothering Sunday

Morning Worship

## CAP Sunday: Compassionate church.

"...The Lord is compassionate and gracious,  
slow to anger, abounding in love." Psalm 103:8

## Welcome to today's service!

As we get closer towards Easter, we're following the Bishop of Oxford's vision for a Christ-like Church, and to help us to do that, we're looking together at the Beatitudes to see how Jesus framed his expectations that his Church should strive to be Contemplative, Compassionate and Courageous.

On Mothering Sunday, it seemed fitting to start with our minds on the compassionate nature of God and of his true Church, and also—3 years after its launch here in Chipping Norton—for us to celebrate our Christians Against Poverty ministry as a perfect example of what it means for us collectively to show and extend compassion to the people around us who are among the most vulnerable.

As she hands over the reins to her successor (Mark Burbridge), we'll also be thanking Athene Mitchell for having been very much the driving force behind getting our CAP Debt Centre off the ground, so please join us.

James Kennedy (Vicar)



During our 10.45 service, to serve our families, we run a supervised crèche, Ignite (for 3-5 year olds) OneWay (for children aged 6-11), and Ablaze (for youth aged 11-16). Everyone is welcome!

## This Sunday - 11th March 2018

3rd Sunday of Lent & Mothering Sunday

St Mary's 8am Holy Communion (BCP) Leading: Rev Jackie Jones

Reading: Ephesians 2: 1-10 (Barbara Ambrose)

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

St Mary's 10.45am Morning Worship (with Creche, OneWay, Impact & Ablaze)

Leading Rev James Kennedy Preaching: Mark Burbridge

Reading: Psalm 103 Loraine Smith Prayers: Athene Mitchell

12.45pm Church Lunch in Parish Rooms. All are welcome to join us at our

'Bring and Share' lunch and to invite friends and family—children welcome! Please inform Jen Williams if bringing guests. 01608 686366 / jenwilliams366@gmail.com

6—8pm Youth Alpha in Parish Rooms

Praying round the Deanery. This week: All Saints, Shortampton

Please pray for Sally Welch, Jan Fielden & Tish Bird and the Churchwardens Dine Glasgow and Paddy Gallagher.

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

#### 'Encounter' Evening Service - Launch 18th March

We are excited to announce the launch of our new contemporary evening service called 'Encounter' on the 18th March at 6pm.

Our hope and prayer is that many people will encounter God through this vibrant and exciting new opportunity to worship together.

There will be a cafe on arrival, great worship and a relevant talk from God's word, along with an opportunity to chat, pray and minister to each other. We would love to attract both familiar and new faces, especially seeking to welcome young people from our community and other local churches. What an amazing opportunity to gather to encounter the living Lord Jesus, the Holy Spirit and His people....

Will you be a part of it?



#### Youth Alpha

Please continue to pray for those who are part of our Youth Alpha as they move into week 7 (of 10) (6-8pm on Sunday evenings).

Additional notice about or next Alpha course for adults at the back of the church. Please take one as you leave.

#### Electoral Roll Revision

With the APCM coming up on Sunday 22 April have you considered joining St Mary's Church? Electoral Roll forms are available at the back of the church. Please complete one and return it to Emma in Church Office..

## CHURCH DIARY

THIS WEEK - 12—17 March 2018

- Mon 12 Mar **Come For Tea** (2.30-4pm in Parish Rooms)  
**St Mary's Pilates** (6.00-7.00pm in Parish Rooms)  
**Worship Unplugged (Youth)** (8.00— 9.15pm in the church)
- Wed 14 Mar **St Mary's Minis** (10—11.30am in Parish Rooms)  
**Funeral: Judith Keenan** (1.30pm at St Mary's)  
**Lent Supper** (7—9pm at Methodist Church Lower Hall)  
Talk on The Power of Solitude/Silence by Rev Stephen Bywater
- Thurs 15 Mar **Midweek Communion + coffee** (10am in Parish Rooms)
- Fri 16 Mar **Remix Youth Club** (3.15-4.45pm at Glyme Hall )
- Sat 17 Mar **Boy's Hike** (Depart 9am from CN School coach park  
& **Breakfast** ends 10am approx. at Parish Rooms )

## CALENDAR OF FURTHER EVENTS

- Sun 18 March **'Encounter' Evening service** (6pm in Church)
- Wed 21 Mar **Easter Create @ Kingham** (7.15-9.30pm at Kingham Lodge)  
An Easter evening of cooking and craft.. Entry £5 Places limited so  
c contact Sally Salter asap to book your place  
[sally.m.salter@btinternet.com](mailto:sally.m.salter@btinternet.com), 01608 658852).
- Mon 26 Mar - **Journey to Easter interactive displays at St Mary's**
- Sun 1 Apr Help needed for Welcoming and serving Refreshments  
throughout the week. Please see Christine Clinch in church to sign  
up on the rota.
- Sun 1 Apr **EASTER DAY**
- Fri 13 Apr **All Day Youth Hike** (Depart 9.30am from & ends at  
Parish Rooms)
- Sun 22 Apr **APCM Meeting** (12.30pm in Parish Rooms)
- Tues 24 Apr **Adult Alpha Course starts** (7.00-9.30pm in Parish Rooms.  
Set up from **5.30pm**)
- Wed 25 Apr **Colin Buchanan Live** (5pm at St David's, Moreton-in-Marsh)

For further information, please contact the Church Office