

## Services Next Sunday— 15 April 2018

3rd Sunday of Easter:

**St Mary's 8am Holy Communion (BCP)** Leading: Rev James Kennedy  
Reading: Acts 3: 12-19 (Barbara Ambrose)

**St James' Chapel Over Norton 9.15am: Morning Prayer**  
Leading: Judith Marshall

**St Mary's 10.45am All Age Family Communion**  
Leading: Bill Rees Preaching: James Kennedy  
Reading: Matthew 5: 21-26 (David Bishop) Prayers: (? Sandra Cutting)  
**Youth Alpha** (6—8pm in Parish Rooms)



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

8th April 2018  
2nd Sunday of Easter  
Morning Worship

### Contacting St Mary's

#### Clergy Team

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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.

#### Youth, Children & Families

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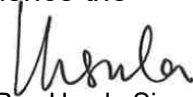
### Your will be done: salt and light

"You are the salt of the earth...  
You are the light of the world..."  
*Matthew 5:13-14*

### Welcome to today's service!

What an amazing week it was leading up to Easter Day... with about 1000 people (including many children from the schools) visiting our Journey to Easter displays and so many people joining us for our Easter Day service that the pews right on the far side of the church were needed!!

Before Easter we looked at the Beatitudes. They describe the sort of disciples Jesus calls us to be and on which Bishop Steven is basing his vision for the Diocese - to be a more Christ-like Church, contemplative, compassionate and courageous. We continue in the Sermon on the Mount from Matthew's gospel. The Beatitudes looked at the Christian's character. This week we are looking at Jesus' call to his disciples to be 'salt' and 'light' in the world. Actually, he doesn't *just call us* to be 'salt' and 'light', he says that *we are*. Wow! But, we must *be salty* and '*let our light shine*'. What does this mean and how do we do it? How do we influence the world around us?

  
Rev Ursula Simpson



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 - 8 April 2018

2nd Sunday of Easter

St Mary's 8am Holy Communion (BCP) Leading: Rev Victor Story  
Reading: Acts 4:32-35 (Andy Thomson)

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

St Mary's 10.45am Morning Worship (with Creche, Ignite, 'Oneway' & Ablaze)

Leading: Rev John Coyne Preaching: Rev Ursula Simpson  
Reading: Matthew 5: 13-20 (Jamie Bell) Prayers: David Bishop

12.45pm Church Lunch in Parish Rooms. Every one is welcome to join us for our 'Bring and Share' Parish Lunch after the morning service.

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



**Alpha... BIG LAUNCH with 'Ace' from 1990's TV show 'Gladiators'! —7.30pm, Tues 24th April, Parish Rooms**

Do you ever ask those big questions: Why am I here?; What is the purpose of life?; Where am I heading?; What has Christianity got to offer? Why not come along and join us for Alpha after Easter? Alpha offers a wonderful opportunity, following a shared meal, for you to ask them (however awkward or daft you think they might be) in a relaxed, informal setting that makes no demands on the individual. At our launch on 24 April, we have a special guest, Warren Furman – "Ace" of the 1990s tv show, Gladiators, which should be a lot of fun. We'd love to see you there. It would also be a great evening to bring a friend along: why don't you simply pray and ask God to prompt you with a name or a face, and then ask him for the courage to invite them along & let God do the rest! For more info, pick up a flyer or e-mail Judith Marshall (alpha@stmaryscnorton.com)



**Marriage Course (Starting Monday 4th June)**

We'll be running another Marriage Course at St Mary's on Monday evenings in the Summer Term—starting on Monday 4th June. For more details (or e-mail marriagecourse@stmaryscnorton.com)

**Come for Tea** is open to all and is held every second Monday in the month in the Parish Centre - The next one is Monday 9th April. For information contact Amanda Gafford, on 641284. **Come and join us!**

## CHURCH DIARY

THIS WEEK: 9 - 14 APRIL 2018

Mon 9 Apr **Come for Tea** (2.30-4pm in Parish Rooms)

Wed 11 Apr **No Minis during school holidays.**

Thurs 12 Apr **Midweek Communion + coffee** (10am in Parish Rooms)  
**Alpha Training** 7.00-9.30pm in Parish Rooms

Fri 13 Apr **Women's World Day of Prayer (new date)**

10am & 7pm Services at CN Methodist Church

**All Day Youth Hike** (Depart 9.30am and ends at Parish Rooms)

*11 mile hike open to girls and boys Year 7 upwards. Picnic lunch provided.*

**Annual Parochial Church Meeting (12.30pm, Sunday 22nd April in the Parish Rooms—immediately after the 10.45 service)**

Come and join us for a glass of Prosecco in the Parish Rooms to celebrate the last year at our Annual Meeting and to elect our new PCC and Churchwarden. James will also be sharing some exciting new aspects of the vision that God is giving us as a church for the coming year, so do come along!

## CALENDAR OF FURTHER EVENTS

Sat 14th Apr **Decorating Outreach Project** (8am-5pm)

Sun 22 Apr **APCM Meeting** (12.30pm in Parish Rooms)

Tues 24 Apr **Alpha 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)

Wed 2 May **North Cotswold Group Prayer** (7.30pm at St Mary's CN)

Sat 5 May **Men United Breakfast** (8.30-10am in Parish Rooms)  
Speaker: Jules Clarke. Contact David Bishop if interested  
Tel: 01608 676113, Email: davidbish5@phonecoop.coop

Wed 9 May **Come for Tea** (2.30-4pm in Parish Rooms)

Sat 16 May **LHNT Singing Day with Rob Chilcott** (10am-6pm in the church  
& Parish Rooms)

Mon 4 June **Marriage Course begins** (7.45pm in the Parish Rooms)