

## Services Next Sunday— 22 July 2018

8th Sunday after Trinity

**St Mary's 8am Holy Communion (BCP)** Leading: Rev Victor Story  
Reading: Ephesians 2: 11-end (Martin Jarratt)

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

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

**Leading: Preaching:** Rev James Kennedy **Preaching:** Rev Ursula Simpson  
Reading: Proverbs 1:1-9,21,32-33 (Jamie/Rachel Bell) Prayers: Ann Lewis

**8 pm Men's Curry Night at Spice of India**

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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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Chipping Norton

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

15th July 2018

7th Sunday after Trinity

Guest Service

### Life to the full...

"The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full."  
John 10:10

## Welcome to St Mary's!

What can actually offer us 'life to the full'?

Throughout the ages and across the world, chasing after happiness and safety has always been a priority in people's lives, which is why we're always at such risk of being led up blind alleys by anyone who shouts loudest around us. We all want to find the answer to our problems, and so we can all, in our own ways, be only too quick to jump on the latest band-wagon.

In our culture, with the extraordinary power of media and social media to feed us with ideas and manipulate us, there are blogs and pressure groups insisting that everything from extreme vegan diets to annual incomes over £8 million are needed to guarantee ultimate well-being and happiness.

Jesus had strong words to say about the danger of following voices or theories from people who don't ultimately love us personally. He calls every other thing that clamours for our attention and makes false promises to us 'a thief who comes only to steal'. What or who is trying to steal your life away from you with hollow assurances, and how can you be sure that you're completely protected from their clutches? Let's all grapple with that question together this morning...

James Kennedy (Vicar)



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

## Services This Sunday— 15 July 2018

7th Sunday after Trinity

St Mary's 8am Holy Communion (BCP) Leading: Rev James Kennedy  
Reading: Ephesians 1: 3-14 (Matthew Carpenter)

St James' Chapel Over Nortn 9.15am Morning Worship Leading: Rev Ursula Simpson

St Mary's 10.45am Guest Service (no Holy Communion) (with Creche, Ignite, 'Oneway'  
Leading: Rev James Kennedy Preaching: Warren Furman )  
Reading: John 10:7-10 ( Lorraine Smith) Prayers: Athene/Chris Mitchell

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

#### **New Wine 2018!**

We are SO looking forward to gathering at New Wine (5-12th August) for a week of worship, teaching and sunshine!

If you are joining us this year, please could you get in touch with Emma Kennedy ([emma.kennedy@stmaryscnorton.com](mailto:emma.kennedy@stmaryscnorton.com)), so she can start to plan the camp layout. There will also be a meeting **after the service on Sunday 22nd July** for any questions and a chance to get to know one another.

#### **Life Explored — Autumn 2018 at St Mary's**

What's the best gift God could give you? We all want to be happy. Why is lasting happiness so hard to find? **Life Explored** runs over seven interactive sessions, based on stunning films shot all over the globe. It helps people uncover what they're really living for and it's perfect for anyone looking for answers to life's big questions. If you've interested in finding out more, please contact:

[james.kennedy@stmaryscnorton.com](mailto:james.kennedy@stmaryscnorton.com)

#### **Colour Club**

This year we are launching Colour Club: a free holiday club for 5-11 year olds! It's happening on 14th and 16th August from 9.45am-1.30pm. We want children to know they can embrace their differences because they are totally loved by God no matter what! It's free of charge and includes lunch for the whole family when the children are picked up. Numbers are limited this year so sign up quickly! Email [chil-dren@stmaryscnorton.com](mailto:chil-dren@stmaryscnorton.com) for more information.

#### **Popcorn Sundays**

Over the summer, we don't run our normal children's groups but have Popcorn Sundays for the children instead. It's such a blessing for the regular team to have a chance to refresh over the summer and that's where you come in! If you're able to help for one Sunday over the summer (there's no prep required!) please do chat to Becca or email her ([children@stmaryscnorton.com](mailto:children@stmaryscnorton.com))

#### **Youth Trip to Kenya**

Please remember the Kenya team in your prayers as the travel on Wednesday 18th - 1st August. Pray for safety, wisdom, togetherness and for God to transform lives.

**Youth Groups** led by Jonny have ended for the summer. They will resume in September as follows: Remix on 7th Sept, Ablaze on 9th Sept & Impact on 12th September.

## CHURCH DIARY

THIS WEEK - 16—21 July 2018

- Mon 16 July **St Mary's Pilates** (6—7pm in Parish Rooms)  
**Marriage Course 7** (7.45—9.45 in Parish Rooms)
- Wed 18 July **St Mary's Minis** (10—11.30am in Parish Rooms)  
**PCC Meeting** (7.30—9.30pm in Parish Rooms)
- Thurs 19 July **St Mary's School's Leavers Service** (9.45am in the church)  
**Midweek Communion + coffee** (10am in Parish Rooms)
- Fri 20 July **No Remix Youth Club during Summer holidays.**

## CALENDAR OF FURTHER EVENTS

- Fri 27 July **7-mile Full Moon Youth Hike** (8pm—Midnight—Start & finish at St Mary's Church, Chipping Norton. Age 11+ welcome.  
Contact John Marshall: 07733 036741
- Wed 1 Aug **1st Priority Prayer** (7.30pm in the church)
- Sun 5 Aug—Sat 11 Aug **New Wine 'United'** (Shepton Mallett)
- Mon 13 Aug **Come for Tea** (2.30-4pm in Parish Rooms)
- Wed 5 Sept **1st Priority Prayer** (7.30pm in the church)
- Mon 10 Sept **Come for Tea** (2.30-4pm in Parish Rooms)
- Sat 15 or 22 **Canoeing on the Wye** (Men United event—detail to follow)
- Sat 6 Oct **Cotswolds Men's Convention** (7.30pm at Warwick Hall, Burford)  
Speaker: James Robson (CEO Keswick Ministries)

*For further information, please contact the Church Office*

**Blessing**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**All In the name of Christ. Amen.**

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**Here is love, vast as the ocean**

Here is love vast as the ocean,  
loving kindness as the flood,  
when the Prince of life, our ransom, shed for us his precious blood.  
Who his love will not remember?  
Who can cease to sing his praise?  
He can never be forgotten  
throughout heaven's eternal days.

On the mount of crucifixion  
fountains opened deep and wide;  
through the floodgates of God's mercy flowed a vast and gracious tide.  
Grace and love, like mighty rivers, poured incessant from above;  
and heav'n's peace and perfect justice  
kissed a guilty world in love.

Through the years of human darkness, shone the lamp the prophets trimmed,  
making known redemption's story,  
of the love of God undimmed.  
Christ for every tongue and nation!  
All must come beneath his sway;  
his the everlasting kingdom  
that shall never pass away.

When the stars shall fall from heaven, and the sun turn black as night,  
when the skies recede and vanish, and the elements ignite.  
Then the Son of Man in glory,  
coming as the Morning Star,  
shall return to claim his loved ones, gathered in from near and far.

*William Edwards and Richard Bewes © Richard Bewes/Jubilate Hymns*

**Welcome: James Kennedy**

**God You made our big blue sky**

God You made our big blue sky  
You made the oceans deep and wide  
God You made the trees so tall  
Your love is bigger than it all

God You're bigger than big  
You're stronger than strong  
You are mightier than mighty  
And LOUDER than this song  
Your love for me stretches  
farther than far, I can't imagine just how big You are  
Just how big You are

## Alpha interviews

### Praise is rising

*(During the following songs, there will be an opportunity to make an offering to support the mission and ministry of the church. If you are visiting, or give by other means, please don't be embarrassed to pass the plate on. Gift Aid envelopes are on the pew shelves. These enable us to increase your gift by 25% if you are a UK taxpayer)*

Praise is rising, eyes are turning to You, we turn to You.  
Hope is stirring, hearts are yearning for You, we long for You.  
'Cause when we see You, we find strength to face the day;  
in Your presence all our fears are washed away, washed away.

*Hosanna, hosanna, You are the God who saves us,  
worthy of all our praises.  
Hosanna, hosanna, come have Your way among us,  
we welcome You here Lord Jesus.*

Hear the sound of hearts returning to You, we turn to You.  
In Your kingdom broken lives are made new, You make us new.  
'Cause when we see You, we find strength to face the day;  
in Your presence all our fears are washed away, washed away.

*Paul Baloche & Brenton Brown 2006*

### Amazing Grace

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound  
that saved a wretch like me.  
I once was lost, but now am found,  
was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught  
my heart to fear,  
and grace my fears relieved;  
how precious did that grace appear,  
the hour I first believed!

Through many dangers,  
toils and snares,  
I have already come;  
'tis grace that brought me safe thus far,  
and grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years,  
bright shining as the sun,  
we've no less days to sing God's praise  
than when we first begun.

*John Newton (1725-1807)*

**Prayers** (Athene/Chris Mitchell)

## Church Family News and Banns of Marriage

**Reading: John 10:7-10** (Lorraine Smith)

**Talk: Warren Furman**

### In Christ Alone

In Christ alone, my hope is found  
He is my light, my strength, my song;  
this corner stone, this solid ground,  
firm through the fiercest  
drought and storm.  
What heights of love,  
what depths of peace,  
when fears are stilled,  
when strivings cease!  
My comforter, my all in all!  
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! – who took on flesh,  
fullness of God in helpless babe!  
This gift of love, and righteousness,  
scorned by the ones he came to save;  
till on that cross as Jesus died,  
the wrath of God was satisfied –  
for ev'ry sin on him was laid  
here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground his body lay,  
light of the world by darkness slain;  
then bursting forth in glorious day  
up from the grave he rose again!  
And as he stands in victory  
sin's curse has lost its grip on me,  
for I am his and he is mine –  
bought with the precious  
blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,  
this is the pow'r of Christ in me;  
from life's first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,  
can ever pluck me from his hand;  
till he returns or calls me home,  
here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

*Stuart Townend*