

Services Next Sunday— 5 August 2018

10th Sunday after Trinity

St Mary's 8.15am Holy Communion (BCP) Leading: Rev James Kennedy
Reading : Proverbs 4: 5-9, 14-27 (Matthew Carpenter)

St James' Chapel Over Norton 9.15am Holy Communion (CW) Leading Rev J Kennedy

St Mary's 10.45am Holy Communion (with 'Popcorn Sunday)

Leading: Rev Toby Artis **Preaching:** Rev James Kennedy
Reading: Proverbs 4: 5-9, 14-27 (Sue Coyne) Prayers: Jonny Weinberg

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Curates

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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. 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

29th July 2018

9th Sunday after Trinity
Benefice Holy Communion

Wisdom: How to get it

'Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him and he will make your paths straight.'

Proverbs 3:5-6

Welcome to today's service!

We would probably all agree that wisdom is a good thing, a virtue even. The combination of knowledge, perspective and insight is invaluable to all areas of life. Getting wisdom and becoming wise will surely serve us better in our lifestyle choices and all the important decisions we have to make. Perhaps it's been something lacking in our lives and something we continually aspire to attain. And whilst so much can be learnt in this life from our experiences, which builds up wisdom, it can become too easy to forget the true master of Wisdom, Jesus Christ. So many other voices and worldviews around us can disorientate us, pull us in all sorts of different directions and distort what it means to live wisely as a Christian. Jesus Christ not only invites us into relationship with him, but calls us to follow Him and trust Him, to live and think in the way He desires. This is the best possible way to live because God has created us to be Christ-like. This has to be the starting point and the basis on which we mean to go on, if we to truly become wise people in God's eyes.

Toby Artis
Curate



The regular children's and youth groups have a break during the summer holidays. However all children welcome to come to the Parish Rooms for 'Popcorn Sundays'. There is no separate crèche though you are welcome to use the children's area at the back of the church during the service.

Services This Sunday— 29 July 2018

9th Sunday after Trinity

St Mary's No Holy Communion on 5th Sun of month
St James' Chapel Over Norton (No service on 2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays)

St Mary's 10.45am Benefice Holy Communion (with Popcorn Sunday)

Leading: Rev James Kennedy Preaching: Rev Toby Artis
Reading: Proverbs 3:1-8,11-12 Prayers: Bill Rees

*****NOTICES*****

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 the way that they are all made 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

children@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)

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

Stuart and Sandra's Golden Wedding Celebrations

Stuart and Sandra Cutting will be celebrating their Golden Wedding (50 years) anniversary soon. The actual anniversary is 3rd August, but their celebration will be on 4th August starting at 12 noon in church, renewing their wedding vows, followed by refreshments in the Parish Rooms. Our church family are all invited to celebrate with us. If you are able to bring a small plate of sandwiches, that will help us but, if you can't, don't worry - we'd rather have you than the food. And please don't buy any presents, it is enough that we have God's amazing grace and our church family.

CHURCH DIARY

THIS WEEK - 18 - 23 June 2018

- Mon 18 July **Funeral: Betty Thompson** (2pm in Parish Rooms)
St Mary's Pilates (6—7pm in Parish Rooms)
- Wed 1 Aug **NO St Mary's Minis**
1st Priority Prayer (7.30pm in the Church)
- Thurs 2 Aug **Midweek Communion + coffee** (10am in Parish Rooms)
- Sat 4 Aug **Stuart & Sandra Cutting's Golden Wedding celebrations**
(12noon Marriage Vows Renewal service in the Church)
Followed by refreshments in the Parish Rooms.

CALENDAR OF FURTHER EVENTS

- Sun 5 Aug—Sat 11 Aug **New Wine 'United'** (Shepton Mallett)
- Mon 13 Aug **Come for Tea** (2.30-4pm in Parish Rooms)
- Tues 14th Aug & **Colour Club for primary school aged children**
- Thurs 16 Aug (9.45am—1.30pm includes free lunch at Glyme Hall)
Places limited: contact Becca to book: at children@stmaryscnorton.com
- Wed 15 Aug **Minis Colour Club** (for under 5s) (10-11.30am in Parish Rooms)
- Tues 21 Aug **Youth event: Rory's Alternative Zoo** (2pm in Parish Rooms)
- Fri 24 Aug—Mon 27 Aug **August Bank Holiday Pilgrimage Walk**
For further details pick up a leaflet from the church
- Fri 31 Aug or Sat 1 Sept *(date tbc)*
All day Youth Hike (age 11+) of around 10 miles with picnic provided.
Further information to follow. Contact John Marshall 07733 036741
- Wed 5 Sept **1st Priority Prayer** (7.30pm in the church)
- Mon 10 Sept **Come for Tea** (2.30-4pm in Parish Rooms)
- Sat 22 Sept **Canoeing on the Wye** (Men United event—detail to follow)
- Sat 6 Oct **Cotswolds Men's Convention** (Warwick Hall, Burford)