

# Services Next Sunday— 30 September 2018

18th Sunday after Trinity

St Mary's 8.00am No service on 5th Sunday

St James' Chapel Over Norton 9.15am (No service on 2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays)

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

Leading: Rev David Salter Preaching: Rev Ursula Simpson

Reading: Exodus 14: 5-13 (John/Judith Marshall) Prayers: Rachel Chai-Sharman

5.30 for 6.00pm Encounter Service

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N.B. Toby takes his rest day on a Saturday

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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.



Chipping Norton

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

23rd September 2018  
17th Sunday after Trinity  
Morning Worship

## Exodus - Drawing us out to draw us in: Consecrated people...

"With a mighty hand the Lord brought us out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery..." Exodus 13:14

## Welcome to today's service!

Many of us probably think that we know the story of Exodus quite well, and last week we looked at the immense significance of one part of it - the Passover, which, of course Jesus and his disciples themselves were celebrating when he was arrested and taken to the cross. We recognised together that this feast is as central to our story now, and to how we understand God's blessings in Jesus, as it was when God first delivered the people in Moses' time. What we often skim over, though, and perhaps don't even recognise, is that God gave the people two feasts back-to-back: the Passover commemorates how God delivers from death those who put their trust in him, and the Feast of Unleavened Bread, which lasted for seven days after the Passover, commemorates the freedom from slavery that he then also brings as he draws us out of 'Egypt'. We have so much to celebrate, but because we don't mark those feasts ourselves, we so often lose sight of the incredible freedom that we can enjoy today through Jesus. Let's make sure we don't make that mistake, but consciously embrace the blessings that we have!

James Kennedy (Vicar)



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—23rd September

17th Sunday after Trinity

St Mary's 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) Leading: Rev David Salter  
Reading : James 5:13-end (Martin Jarratt)

St James' Chapel Over Norton 9.15am (No service on 2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays)

St Mary's 10.45am Morning Worship (with Sparklers, Ignite, OneWay & Youth)

Leading: Rev Toby Artis Preaching: Rev James Kennedy

Reading: Exodus 13:1-14 (Mark Knight) Prayers: Linda/Mark Carpenter

Men's Curry Club (8am at Spice of India)

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

#### Standing Strong—Open Doors Celebration Birmingham (Sat 17th November, 10am-4pm)

Our mission partner, Open Doors, is holding their Annual Celebration in the Bethel Convention Centre in Birmingham on Sat 17th November. Anyone who went last year reported what an amazing event it was. You'll be joined by persecuted Christians from North Korea, Egypt and India who will share their stories and it will be both a moving and uplifting experience.

**Don't delay in booking** as there are only a few hundred spaces left.

[www.opendoorsuk.org/news/events/standing-strong](http://www.opendoorsuk.org/news/events/standing-strong). To get a Partner Church discount on your ticket use the code Family 2018, and then when required to do so St Mary's Chipping Norton. 20 people have expressed interest in going. Re transport if you have tickets please let Clare MacInnes know—There are a few places on the coach from Witney, or failing that she can ensure everyone has a lift. Contact her for any queries you may have: [clare@macinnes.org.uk](mailto:clare@macinnes.org.uk)

#### Encounter (Sunday 30th September, 6pm at St Mary's)

Our next evening service is coming up fast—a time of informal contemporary worship, led by and aimed towards the younger among us, but everybody is welcome! Get it in your diaries now and invite your friends!

#### ZOE Mission Trip—Autumn 2019

We are planning for a group from St Mary's to visit our Tearfund Connected Church in Zimbabwe (ZOE) later next year, but it's time to start making plans now. If you'd like to think about being a part of that, please pickup the yellow flyer and contact Peter Williams ([steeshouse6@gmail.com](mailto:steeshouse6@gmail.com))

#### Friends of St Mary's Barn Dance on Sat 6 October, 7.30pm in Town Hall

Do please support the Friends of St Mary's if you like a good dance and opportunity to gather together a group of friends. Tickets £22.50 (to include supper) from Jo Graves (01608 64 3976) or from the Church Office.

## CHURCH DIARY

THIS WEEK - 24—29 September 2018

- Mon 24 Sep **St Mary's Pilates** (6—7pm in Parish Rooms)  
**Under 5s Network Meeting** (7.30-9.30 in Parish Rooms)
- Wed 26 Sep **Lead Academy in Witney**  
**St Mary's Minis** (10—11.30am in Parish Rooms)
- Thurs 27 Sep **Lead Academy in Witney**  
**Midweek Communion + coffee** (10am in Parish Rooms)
- Fri 28 Sep **Remix Youth Group** (3.15-4.45pm in Glyme Hall)

### CALENDAR OF FURTHER EVENTS

- Sun 30 Sep **Encounter** (5.30 for 6.00 pm in the church)
- Wed 3 Oct **1st Priority Prayer** (7.30pm in the church)
- Sat 6 Oct **Boy's Hike & Breakfast** (9am depart CN School. Ends at 10.30am at St Mary's church for Breakfast in Parish Rooms.  
**Barn Dance (Friends event)** (7.30-11.30pm in Town Hall)  
*Tickets £22 (to include supper) on sale from September.*
- Mon 8 Oct **Come for Tea** (2.30-4pm in the Parish Rooms)
- Sat 13 Oct **Men's Fellowship Breakfast** (8.30-10am in Methodist Church Lower Hall, West St CN) Guest speaker Vicar of St Peter's Brockley
- Sun 14 Oct **Harvest Service (with ZOE focus)** (10.45am in the church)
- Sat 3 Nov **Boy's Hike & Breakfast** (9am depart CN School. Ends at 10.30am at St Mary's church for Breakfast in Parish Rooms.  
**Church Cleaning for Remembrance Sunday**  
(9.30-11am in Church with CN Brownies)
- Sun 4 Nov **All Souls Service** 3.00pm in the Church  
**Welcome Tea** (3.30-5.00pm in the Vicarage)
- Wed 7 Nov **1st Priority Prayer** (7.30pm in the church)
- Mon 12 Nov **Come for Tea** (2.30-4pm in the Parish Rooms)
- Sun 11 Nov **Remembrance Service and parade** (10.30 for 10.45am in church)
- Mon 12 Nov - **Prayer Space in St Mary's School** (9am-3pm daily)
- Fri 16 Nov
- Sat 17 Nov **'Standing Strong' Open Doors Celebration** (10am-4pm at Bethel Convention Centre, Birmingham.....see separate notice)

*For further information, please contact the Church Office*