

Services on Sunday 3th February 2019

(NB No 10.45am service at St Mary's on 27 January)

5th Sunday before Lent

St Mary's 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) Leading: Rev David Salter
Reading: Colossians 1: 3-8 (Martin Jarratt)

St James' Chapel Over Norton 9.15am Holy Communion (BCP)

Leading: Rev David Salter Preaching: Sue Coyne

**St Mary's 10.45am Family Communion (with Sparklers, Ignite, One Way
& Ablaze)**
Leading: Rev Ursula Simpson Preaching: Rev Toby Artis

Reading: Colossians 1;3-8 (Mark Knight) Prayers: Rachel Chai

Encounter Service 5.30pm Café doors open 6pm Service starts

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N.B. James takes his rest day on a Friday

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Chipping Norton

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

20 January 2019

3rd Sunday of Epiphany

Family Communion

Fruitfulness on the Frontline: Making God Work..

'Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord not for people.' Colossians 3.23

Welcome to today's service!

Work. We all have things to do whether we are paid to do it or not. It may be simply keeping life going - cleaning and cooking and the tidying up afterwards. We may *have* to do it - or *choose* to do it. We may enjoy it (most of the time) - or not (most of the time). Paul says 'Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord not for people.' Why is work important? Why did God make work? And why is it so hard sometimes? If we get a big picture of work, maybe that will help us see the importance of all the little things we do each day. Then we'll feel the value of all that we do - that 'making good work' isn't just what we do over and above daily living, it IS daily living. Then we'll see how all the things we do, big and little, can add up to fruitfulness on our own 'Frontlines'. And we'll begin to want to involve God in everything that we do...

Ursula Simpson

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.



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: 20 January 2019

3rd Sunday of Epiphany

St Mary's 8am Holy Communion (BCP) Leading: Rev Ursula Simpson
Reading: Colossians 3:17-4:1 (Matthew Carpenter)

St James' Chapel Over Norton 9.15am Morning Prayer Leading Rev James Kennedy
St Mary's 10.45am Family Communion (with Sparklers, Ignite, One Way & Ablaze)
Leading: Rev John Coyne **Preaching:** Rev Ursula Simpson
Reading: Colossians 3:17-4:1 (Johan/Emma Fourie) Prayers: Fiona Rossington

Praying around the Deanery. This week: St John the Evangelist, Little Tew
Please pray for Ginny Thomas and the Churchwarden Claire Freeman.

*****NOTICES*****

United Service, Sunday 27th January, 10.30am in the Town Hall.

At our United Service this year, as we worship together with the other churches in the town, we're really excited to be launching the latest new step forward in the invaluable joint ministry that we share in partnership with Christians Against Poverty (CAP). CAP Life Skills helps to give people the confidence and decision making skills they need to survive life on a low income. Please come along and show your support to Hannah Charles (CAP Lifeskills Coach) and hear about the exciting ways that we can all be involved in taking this wonderful ministry forward. There will be groups for children in the Lower Town Hall. All welcome.

Encounter, Sunday 3rd February Doors & café open 5.30pm.

Service starts at 6pm.

It's 2019 and Encounter is back on February 3rd. We are really excited to meet to worship God together along with some great time together. Come along and hear what the Bible says for our lives, with Charlie Lamont, who leads a church in Wimbledon. It will be another fun packed and spirit filled evening, in a contemporary style, so come and join us at 5.30pm to grab some good food before we kick off at 6pm.

Children's Leaders Lunch— Sunday 3rd February (after 10.45am service)

If you serve on any of the Sunday children's teams (Sparklers, Ignite and One Way) you are invited to lunch in the Parish Rooms straight after the service on 3rd Feb. We'll eat and spend time in our teams and take some time to pray too. Please let Becca know by 25th January if you can attend and if you have any dietary requirements.

Needlework Skills Required

Several of our beautiful period altar frontals are in need of attention: fringes are missing or becoming detached and other decorative details need re-fixing. Do you have needlework skills that you could offer for this task? Please speak to or email Linda Carpenter to discuss how you might help. Linda.carpenter50@yahoo.co.uk

CHURCH DIARY

THIS WEEK : 21—26 January 2019

- Mon 21 Jan Funeral: David Clinch (Christine's husband)**
(2pm in the Church) The church family are invited to join Christine and her family in the Parish Rooms for tea after the service.
St Mary's Pilates (6pm in Parish Rooms)
- Wed 23 Jan St Mary's Minis** (10.30am in Parish Rooms)
Outreach Network Meeting (1.0– 3.00pm in Parish Rooms)
- Thu 24 Jan Midweek Communion + coffee (10am** in Parish Rooms)
- Fri 25 Jan Mini Movers** (8.35-10.15am in St Mary's School Hall)
Funeral: Neil Witham (1.30pm in the Church)
Remix Youth Group (3.15-4.45pm in Glyme Hall)
- Sat 26 Jan Take a Hike (for boys Age 11+)** (9am start from CN School coach park. 10.30am ends at Parish Rooms for Breakfast)
Burns Night Dinner is CANCELLED

CALENDAR OF FURTHER EVENTS

- Sun 20 Jan Friends of St Mary's AGM** (12.30pm in Parish Rooms)
- Sun 27 Jan United Service** (10.30 am in Town Hall)
Men's Curry Night (8pm at Spice of India)
- Sun 3 Feb Encounter Service** (5.30 for 6.00pm in the Church)
- Wed 6 Feb 1st Priority Prayer** (7.30pm in the church)
- Mon 11 Feb Come for Tea** (2.30-4pm in Parish Rooms)
- Sat 16 Feb Men's Fellowship Breakfast** (8.30am in Parish Rooms)
Followed by high level cleaning in the church.
- Sat 23 Feb Take a Hike (Boys aged 11+)** (9am start from CN School coach park. 10.30am ends at Parish Rooms for Breakfast)
- Wed 6 Mar 1st Priority Prayer** (7.30pm in the church)
- Mon 11 Mar Come for Tea** (2.30-4pm in Parish Rooms)

For further information, please contact the Church Office