

# Services on Sunday 9 June 2019

## Pentecost

**St Mary's 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) Leading:** Rev David Salter  
Reading: Acts 2: 1-21 (Andy Thomson) Gospel: John 14:8-17,25-27

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

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

**Leading:** Rev Ursula Simpson **Preaching:** Rev James Kennedy

**Reading:** Ruth 1: 14-21 (David Bishop) **Prayers:** Sue Coyne

**Church Picnic (instead of Parish Lunch) outside Parish Rooms after the Service.**

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

2nd June 2019  
7th Sunday of Easter  
Holy Communion

## Ruth—Little Story, Big love: Disaster strikes Ruth

“With her two daughters-in-law she left the place where she had been living and set out on the road that would take them back to the land of Judah.” Ruth 1:7

## Welcome to today's service!

Where is God when it hurts to be alive? Sometimes life events knock us flat, and, from the sunlit uplands, we find ourselves spiralling down, anxious and helpless. Loss - of a job, a relationship, a familiar environment or through bereavement - exposes who we are and the reliability of what, or who, we trust in.

As a Jewish economic migrant, Naomi has accommodated herself within a new culture, yet gradually everything starts to go wrong. This Sunday we join her at the point of disaster and walk with her as she finds a way through. It is the lowest point in the book of *Ruth*, which we're studying over the coming weeks, the valley which must be negotiated before the path returns to the light.

Like Naomi, there are times when we need to hold on to the truth that, however submerged we feel, 'The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. (John 1:5)

Sue Coyne (LLM)

## 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.

**SPARKLERS**

**ONE WAY**

**ignite**

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: 2 June 2019

### 7th Sunday of Easter

**St Mary's 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)** Leading: Rev James Kennedy  
Reading: Acts 16:9-15 (Martin Jarratt))

**St James' Chapel Over Norton 9.15am HC (BCP)** Leading: Rev J. Kennedy

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

Leading: Rev Toby Artis      Preaching: Sue Coyne  
Reading: Ruth 1: 3-13 (Jamie Bell)      Prayers: Jo Graves

### Praying around the Deanery. This week: St Philip's Little Rollright

Please pray for James Kennedy, David Salter, Martha Simpson, Jackie Jones, Ursula Simpson & Toby Artis and the Churchwardens Richard and Jo Simpson.

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

### Church Picnic—Sunday 9th June 2019

Bring a rug and your lunch (plus a little extra to share if you can) and join the church family for our annual picnic! Right outside St Mary's, 9th June after the morning service. Cake and hot drinks provided (Please contact Martha if you could help bake), games to join in with, comfortable seating for those who need it. Open to everyone! [martha.simpson@stmaryscnorton.com](mailto:martha.simpson@stmaryscnorton.com)

**Calling all Small Group Members...** I know how much you value Small Group because so many of you have told me! Each of our 13 groups is unique, yet each provides a place for people to feel they belong, are valued and can contribute. Let's celebrate this!! We'll gather together on **Wednesday 12th June** to share stories and testimonies, re-ignite our vision for our groups, have some teaching, praise God together and pray. Come and share fellowship around a barbeque at 6.30. We'll then gather in the Parish Rooms at 7.30pm. If you are not yet in a Small Group but would like to find out more about them, this would be a great event to come to! You won't feel out of place as not many know who is in which group...

### **Toby Artis's Ordination (Priesting) on Sun 23 June at 10.30am, at Dorchester Abbey.**

If you are intending to go and support Toby please let him know.

### **Judith Marshall's Ordination on Sat 29th June at 2pm**

Judith is arranging a coach from Chippy for her Ordination. Coach will leave Chipping Norton School at 12.15pm and come back afterwards for celebrations in the Parish Rooms. Please contact Linda Carpenter to book a place—no charge. There are 50 seats available - [linda.carpenter50@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:linda.carpenter50@yahoo.co.uk)  
Linda will have a sign up sheet in church on Sunday.

### **Immersion Baptism**

The date for our next Immersion Baptisms is on **Sunday 14 July** during the 10.45am service. If you have been thinking about taking this step yourself, please speak to Toby Artis: [toby.artis@stmaryscnorton.com](mailto:toby.artis@stmaryscnorton.com)

## CHURCH DIARY

THIS WEEK : 3—8 June 2019

**Mon 3 Jun Pilates** (6-7pm in Parish Rooms)

**Tue 4 Jun Alpha Course 3** (7 for 7.30pm in Parish Rooms) Set up from 6pm

**Wed 5 Jun St Mary's Minis** 10—11.15am in Parish Rooms

**Funeral: David Pearman** (11am in the Church followed by Refreshments in the Parish Rooms) Members of the church family are welcome to come and support Ros, Glyn and Ian in celebrating their father's life.

**First Priority Prayer + Thy Kingdom Come** (5.30pm in the Church)  
A family event with activities and pizzas

**Thu 6 Jun Ascension Day Midweek Communion + coffee**

(10am in Parish Rooms)

**CAP Life Skills** (11.30am—3.00pm in Parish Rooms)

**Fri 7 Jun Mini Movers** (8.30-10am in St Mary's School Hall)

### **Thy Kingdom Come Services:**

**Mon 3 June 6.30pm** at Little Compton      **Thu 6 June 6.30pm** at Kingham

**Tue 4 June 6.30pm** at Over Norton      **Fri 7 June 6.30pm** at Salford

**Wed 5 June 5.30pm** at St Mary's CN      **Sat 8 June 6.30pm** at Cornwell.

## CALENDAR OF FURTHER EVENTS

**Mon 10 Jun Come for Tea** (2.30-pm in Parish Rooms)

**Wed 12 Jun Small Groups Celebration** (6.30pm in Parish Rooms)

**Thu 13 Jun Churches Together Town-wide Prayer Evening** (7.30 for 7.45pm at Methodist Church)

**Sun 16 Jun Welcome Tea** (3.00-4.30pm in Martha's Garden 15 Cross Leys, CN)

**Sun 23 June Toby's Ordination (Priesting)** (10.30am at Dorchester Abbey.

**Gospel Choir Practice for Town Festival** (4-5pm in Parish Rooms)

**Encounter Service** (5.30 Café opens for 6pm Service at St Mary's)

**Sst 29 June Judith's Ordination** (2pm at Christ Church cathedral, Oxford)

**Sun 30 June CN Town Festival** (11am Churches Together Opening worship)

There will be 8am HC(BCP) at St Mary's but **No main service at 10.45am**

**Sat 6 July Pandemonium in the Park** Please note the date in your diaries!  
Further information to follow.

**Sat 13 July Men's Breakfast** **NB Change of date—not on 6 July.**

**Sun 14 July Immersion Baptism** (during 10.45am service at St Mary's CN)

*For further information, please contact the Church Office.*