

Church News 2 & 9 September 2018

Our Vision: To build God's Kingdom here on earth as in heaven

SUNDAY 2 SEPTEMBER 2018 - TRINITY 14

11.00am Shipton United Benefice Holy Communion Anne Hartley

PRAYERS AND READINGS

Collect Merciful God, your Son came to save us and bore our sins on the cross: may we trust in your mercy and know your love, rejoicing in the righteousness that is ours through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Post Communion Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Readings: Psalm 45.1-2, 6-9, James 1.17-27, Mark 7.1-8,14,15,21-23 (Year B).

Open Doors Prayers: Give thanks One hundred and forty children with very little access to Sunday School have had the rare experience to meet other Christian children and learn about Jesus at a children's camp organised by Open Doors. Open Doors wish to thank those who regularly pray for and support children of the persecuted church.

Prayer List: Hostage John Cantlie, Graham Harris and Guthrie Piggot.

Weddings and Banns: Lisa Price & Jed McCrory are getting married in Shipton on I September. Sarah-Jane Stowe & Andy Wale are getting married in Shipton on 21 September. Banns will be read for Jo McCarthy and Jane Izod on 16 September. They are getting married on Saturday 6 October in Milton church. R.I.P. Tom Mace.

Funerals: There will be a Service of Thanksgiving for Tom Mace on Thursday 6 September Ipm in Milton Church.

SUNDAY 9 SEPTEMBER 2018 - ST MARY PATRONAL

8.15am	Shipton BCP Holy Communion	Peter Silva
9.30am	Milton Holy Communion	Peter Silva
11.00am	Shipton Holy Communion Patronal	Peter Silva
I I.00am	Fifield BCP Morning Prayer	Victor Story

PRAYERS AND READINGS

Collect Almighty God, who looked upon the lowliness of the Blessed Virgin Mary and chose her to be the mother of your only Son: grant that we who are redeemed by his blood may share with her in the glory of your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Post Communion God most high, whose handmaid bore the Word made flesh: we thank you that in this sacrament of our redemption you visit us with your Holy Spirit and overshadow us by your power; strengthen us to walk with Mary the joyful path of obedience and so to bring forth the fruits of holiness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Open Doors Prayers: Ethiopia

Give thanks that Wasihun whose father was murdered in front of him was able to attend a youth camp for children affected by persecution. Please pray that God will continue to heal and encourage him and his sister.

Readings: Psalm 45.10-17, Galatians 4.4-7, Luke 1.46-55 (Year B).

NOTICES

Ride and Stride Saturday 8 September 2018

Contacts for Ride and Stride are as follows: Shipton: Mike Brooks

Milton: Liz Watts

Fifield and Idbury: John Yaxley

For more information see: http://www.rideandstrideuk.org/

Pilgrimage Questions Meeting Monday 17 Sep. 3pm, Benefice Centre

From 13 - 22 May 2019, Rev Sally Welch will be leading a pilgrimage to the Holy Land, visiting Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Nazareth and the Sea of Galilee. This is another chance for an introduction to the tour for those interested in coming. All are welcome to come and find out more.

Benefice Lunch Sunday 16 September 12pm, Milton Church

We have had very few replies to this so far. Please do let us know if you can/can't come so we know how many to cater for.

Join us as we come together to say thank you to all those who have helped during the vacancy (which is everyone!). We hope you can come. Weather permitting, we'll have tables in the churchyard or inside the church.

The Milton United Benefice service will move to I Iam that day so that lunch can follow the service. There will be coffee, speeches and presentations first for those that cannot stay for the lunch, which will be an informal barbecue.

So we have an idea of numbers for food, please can you r.s.v.p. via the website (we are testing a new feature on the website) or let Clare or Anne know by Sunday 9 September.

https://wychwoodbenefice.org.uk/event/wychwood-benefice-lunch/

If you are able to bring a salad or a pudding please let Clare or Anne know office@wychwoodbenefice.org.uk.

North Oxfordshire Foodbank

Here is the list of items currently needed:

- ✓ Tinned fruit, Custard or Pudding Rice
- ✓ Tinned meat all types (including tinned pies) Fish (tuna)
- ✓ Tinned potatoes, peas, carrots or mixed vegetables
- √ Rice and pasta (500g packets)
- ✓ Breakfast cereals (not oats)
- ✓ Coffee, Tea & Small packets of Sugar
- ✓ Long life semi-skimmed milk
- ✓ Long life fruit juice
- ✓ Biscuits, jams and spreads
- ✓ Tins of soup, baked beans and spaghetti
- ✓ We also welcome toilet rolls, washing up liquid, washing machine tablets etc.

Thank you for everything you donate; it is appreciated.

http://www.northoxfordshirecommunityfoodbank.org.uk/special-requests/4594408657

Benefice Prayer

Heavenly Father,

As we prepare for the arrival of our new vicar, we give thanks for the appointment of Revd Geoffrey Clement as Incumbent for this benefice.

Lord Jesus, we pray for Geoffrey and his family as they prepare to join us. Help us all to take our part, growing in faith and love for one another, and reaching out to others. May we all be ready to serve together with joy, to build our faith, and live in loving obedience to your example.

Holy Spirit, guide us at this time of uncertainty and change: fill us with vision and energy; make us faithful in prayer and worship, that we may discover your way for the future and see your kingdom grow. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Readings 16 September: Trinity 16 Psalm 19, James 3.1-12, Mark 8.27-38 (Year B).

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Or Area Dean, Revd Dr Sally Welch Tel 01608 810230 or in an emergency 07974 439630 vicar@stmaryscharlbury.co.uk

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