



THE PARISHES OF  
**St OSWALD'S HOOE**  
and  
**St. MARY'S NINFIELD**  
WEEKLY SHEET ~ 15th October 2017



*A warm welcome to everyone, especially any visitors.*

*If you are new to our Churches please introduce yourselves to the sides people on duty. If you need help in any way during your time in church please talk to one of the sides people.*

*Please note that both churches are installed with hearing loops to help those who wear a hearing aid with the T setting.*

### **SERVICES NEXT WEEK**

#### ***St. Mary's***

Wednesday 10.00am ~ Holy Communion

Sunday 9.30am Parish Eucharist ~ Rev Paul Messenger

#### ***St Oswald's***

Sunday 11.15am Parish Eucharist ~ Rev Frances Baldwin

### **From the Diary**

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm Horticultural Society AGM ~ Memorial Hall

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> 8pm ~ Bonfire Society Meeting ~ WMC

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm Hooe History Group AGM ~ Village Hall

Ninfield Local History Group 7.30pm ~ Methodist Hall

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> 9.30 to 12 noon ~ Ninfield Village Market  
Memorial Hall

Bonfire Night ~ 7.15pm Ninfield drummers lead procession from  
Church Lane

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 7.30pm ~ Memorial Village Hall AGM

# TODAY'S READINGS Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

## The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us your gift of faith that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to that which is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; 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.

## First Reading *Exodus 32.1-14*

<sup>1</sup> When the people of Israel saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron, and said to him, 'Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him.' <sup>2</sup> Aaron said to them, 'Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me.' <sup>3</sup> So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron. <sup>4</sup> He took the gold from them, formed it in a mould, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!' <sup>5</sup> When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, 'Tomorrow shall be a festival to the LORD.' <sup>6</sup> They rose early the next day, and offered burnt-offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel. <sup>7</sup> The LORD said to Moses, 'Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; <sup>8</sup> they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshipped it and sacrificed to it, and said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!"' <sup>9</sup> The LORD said to Moses, 'I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. <sup>10</sup> Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation.' <sup>11</sup> But Moses implored the LORD his God, and said, 'O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? <sup>12</sup> Why should the Egyptians say, "It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth"? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. <sup>13</sup> Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, "I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it for ever.'" <sup>14</sup> And the LORD changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

## **Second Reading *Philippians 4.1-9***

<sup>1</sup> My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. <sup>2</sup> I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. <sup>3</sup> Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life. <sup>4</sup> Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. <sup>5</sup> Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. <sup>6</sup> Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. <sup>7</sup> And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup> Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. <sup>9</sup> Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

## **Gospel Reading *Matthew 22.1-14***

<sup>1</sup> Once more Jesus spoke to the chief priests and Pharisees in parables, saying: <sup>2</sup> ‘The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. <sup>3</sup> He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. <sup>4</sup> Again he sent other slaves, saying, “Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.” <sup>5</sup> But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, <sup>6</sup> while the rest seized his slaves, maltreated them, and killed them. <sup>7</sup> The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. <sup>8</sup> Then he said to his slaves, “The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. <sup>9</sup> Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.” <sup>10</sup> Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. <sup>11</sup> But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, <sup>12</sup> and he said to him, “Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?” And he was speechless. <sup>13</sup> Then the king said to the attendants, “Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.” <sup>14</sup> For many are called, but few are chosen.’

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**PRAYERS & INTENTIONS**

*Pray daily for peace and all those who suffer from illness especially*

Barry and Margaret West, Hope Green, Peter Green,  
Donna Morris, Nicki Rist and Justin Pierce.

RIP George Masterman - funeral at 2.30pm on Friday 27<sup>th</sup>  
October at St Mary's

This week we pray for residents of Hooe Road, Ninfield,  
Broadstreet Green Hooe, and Ninfield Parish Council.  
In our CTiB cycle of prayer we pray for St Stephen's, Bexhill.

**We are pleased to report  
that the Charity Sunday at St Mary's  
was a great success.**

In addition to a substantial amount of food for the  
Bexhill Foodbank we collected £76.90 for Water Aid.  
**Thank you all for your generous donations.**

**Prayer**

**by Nick Fawcett**

Living God, we come at your invitation to celebrate,  
to receive, to eat at your table and be filled.

Help us to prepare our hearts and minds  
to receive all you offer and to clothe ourselves with  
your gifts of love, joy, peace,

Goodness, compassion and humility –  
whatever is pleasing and honouring to you –  
freely offering ourselves in the service of Christ,  
who freely gave so much for us.

**Amen**

Any items for the  
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By Wednesday  
6pm please.