

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 ~ 10am Holy Communion Sunday ~ 9.30am Parish Eucharist

#### St Oswald's

Sunday ~ 11am Parish Eucharist

### From The Diary

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January ~ Hooe PCC ~ 7pm at Anne Bourner's

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January ~ The Beaver Scouts 5.30pm to 6.30pm ~ Ninfield Church

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January 'Pop-Up' Café 2.30 - 4.30pm at the Methodist Church Hall

# TODAY'S READINGS 3rd Sunday of Epiphany

#### The Collect

Almighty God, whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving presence: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; 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.** 

### First Reading Genesis 14.17-20

<sup>17</sup> After Abram's return from the defeat of Chedorlaomer and the kings who were with him, the king of Sodom went out to meet him at the Valley of Shaveh (that is, the King's Valley). <sup>18</sup> And King Melchizedek of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was priest of God Most High. <sup>19</sup> He blessed him and said, 'Blessed be Abram by God Most High, maker of heaven and earth; <sup>20</sup> and blessed be God Most High, who has delivered your enemies into your hand!' And Abram gave him one-tenth of everything.

#### Second Reading *Revelation 19.6-10*

<sup>6</sup> I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the sound of many waters and like the sound of mighty thunder-peals, crying out, 'Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns. <sup>7</sup> Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready; <sup>8</sup> to her it has been granted to be clothed with fine linen, bright and pure' - for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints. <sup>9</sup> And the angel said to me, 'Write this: Blessed are those who are invited

to the marriage supper of the Lamb.' And he said to me, 'These are true words of God.' <sup>10</sup> Then I fell down at his feet to worship him, but he said to me, 'You must not do that! I am a fellow-serv-ant with you and your comrades who hold the testimony of Jesus. Worship God! For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.'

## Gospel Reading John 2.1-11

<sup>1</sup> On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there.<sup>2</sup> Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding.<sup>3</sup> When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' <sup>4</sup> And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' <sup>5</sup> His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' 6 Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons.<sup>7</sup> Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim.<sup>8</sup> He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. 9 When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, <sup>10</sup> 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' <sup>11</sup> Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

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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, Aubrey Yull, Nathan Thompson and Roger Bushell. Nora Smith's Funeral is at St Mary's on Friday 26th January at 11.30am. The cremated remains of Kathleen Southouse will be interred after a service at Hooe Church on Sunday 28th January at 2pm. This week we pray for residents of Smith Close, Ninfield, Broadstreet Green, Hooe, and all Church Childrens' Work. In our CTiB cycle of prayer we pray for Bexhill United Reformed Church (in vacancy).

Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb. (Revelation 19:9)

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Praver by Nick Fawcett Lord Jesus Christ. remind us afresh today of your transforming power, your ability to take something ordinary and turn it into something special. Take, then, our worship, and, by your Spirit, make it into something beautiful to you, bringing you glory and stirring again our hearts within us. Take our lives. and by your Spirit once more create us anew, so that our lives will speak not of our weakness but of your saving love and gracious power, to the glory of your name. Amen.

#### Any items for the Weekly Sheet

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By Wednesday 6pm please.