



THE PARISHES OF  
**St OSWALD'S HOOE**  
and  
**St. MARY'S NINFIELD**  
**WEEKLY SHEET ~ 11th February**  
**2018**



*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 Ash Wednesday Holy Communion**  
With imposition of ashes.

**Sunday ~ 9.30 Family Eucharist**

**St Oswald's**

**Sunday ~ 11am Parish Eucharist**

**From The Diary**

**St Oswald's Church ~ Pancake Lunch**

Tuesday February 13th Hooe Village Hall 12.00 ~ 2 pm.

Pancake and soup lunch, no charge but donations are invited towards church funds.

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> Feb 9.30am-12 ~ Ninfield Market, Memorial Hall**

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> Feb 10am-12 ~ Community Activities and their Development in Ninfield, Methodist Hall**

**St Mary's Church ~ 'Winter Warmer Quiz'**

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 7pm, Reading Room, Church Lane.

Tables of 4 – no charge but donations are invited towards church funds.

Ploughman's supper with home made soup –

bring your own drinks. Book early, call Mrs Owen on 225421 (after 4pm).

# TODAY'S READINGS      Sunday before Lent

## The Collect

Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## First Reading      *2 Kings 2.1-12*

<sup>1</sup> When the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. <sup>2</sup> Elijah said to Elisha, 'Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel.' But Elisha said, 'As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they went down to Bethel. <sup>3</sup> The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, 'Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?' And he said, 'Yes, I know; keep silent.' <sup>4</sup> Elijah said to him, 'Elisha, stay here; for the LORD has sent me to Jericho.' But he said, 'As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they came to Jericho. <sup>5</sup> The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, 'Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?' And he answered, 'Yes, I know; be silent.' <sup>6</sup> Then Elijah said to him, 'Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan.' But he said, 'As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So the two of them went on. <sup>7</sup> Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. <sup>8</sup> Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground. <sup>9</sup> When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, 'Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.' Elisha said, 'Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.' <sup>10</sup> He responded, 'You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.' <sup>11</sup> As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascend

-ed in a whirlwind into heaven. <sup>12</sup> Elisha kept watching and crying out, 'Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!' But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

## **Second Reading**    *2 Corinthians 4.3-6*

<sup>3</sup> Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. <sup>4</sup> In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. <sup>5</sup> For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. <sup>6</sup> For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness,' who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

## **Gospel Reading**    *Mark 9.2-9*

<sup>2</sup> Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, <sup>3</sup> and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. <sup>4</sup> And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. <sup>5</sup> Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' <sup>6</sup> He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. <sup>7</sup> Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!' <sup>8</sup> Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. <sup>9</sup> As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

### **Are you able to help please?**

**St Mary's needs more Sacristans and Intercessors.  
If you feel able to help us please speak to our Priest,  
Rev Paul Frostick or the Churchwardens, Phil or Catriona.  
Thank you.**

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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, Aubrey Yull, Nathan Thompson, Roger Bushell and Donald Cornford.*

This week we pray for residents of Standard Hill Close, Ninfield, Green Lane, Hooe, and the Dance and Drama club.

In our CTiB cycle of prayer we pray for Bexhill Food Bank.



*Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. (2 Kings 2:11b)*

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**Poem By Elizabeth Rooney**

Quietly, quietly he comes.  
The sound of shaken silver starts  
to ring within our hearts.  
A sweetness steals  
out of the quietness  
and heals.  
We are alive  
with an intensity of joy  
we had not dreamed.  
And everything that seemed  
to matter  
matters now both more and less  
here in the presence  
of his holiness.

**Any items for the**

**Weekly Sheet**

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By Wednesday 6pm please.

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box at the back of  
St Mary's. Collecting for  
Eastbourne DGH. Thank you.**