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PRAYERS & INTENTIONS

Pray daily for peace and all those who suffer from illness especially Cass Chapman, Nick Crawshaw, Tara Waterhouse, Ross Clifton, Jim Simmons, Nina Mutter and Janet Pattisson.

Linda Bligh whose funeral is Tuesday 18th March RIP: 2.00p.m. at St. Oswald's

This week we pray for all the residents of Lower Street, Ninfield, Broad Street Green, Hooe and Ninfield Working Men's Club.

In the CTiB cycle of prayer we pray for the St. Mark's Church, Little Common and Jonathan Frais.

PRAYER Nick Fawcett

Any items for the **Weekly Sheet** to Nicki Murphy at nickimurphy3 @sky.com by

Wednesday

6p.m. please.

Gracious God, so often we deny ourselves your blessing through failing to turn to you; failing to respond to your love and to receive the mercy, joy, peace and new life you so long to bring us. We come now. therefore, making time and space for you. and opening our lives to all you would pour into them. Teach us, as we welcome you today, to welcome you equally every day and every moment, until you finally welcome us into your eternal kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen



THE PARISHES OF St OSWALD'S HOOE



St. MARY'S NINFIELD WEEKLY SHEET ~ 16th March 2025

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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

Sunday 9.30a.m. ~ Parish Eucharist St Oswald's

Sunday 11.00a.m. ~ Parish Eucharist

Lent Study Group on the Creed at St Mary's on Monday at 2pm. This week we look at "The only Son of God"



(Genesis 15:5)

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TODAY'S READINGS ~ 2nd Sunday of Lent

Collect

Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading ~ Genesis 15.1–12, 17–18

After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, 'Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.' But Abram said, 'O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?' And Abram said, 'You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.' But the word of the Lord came to him, 'This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.' He brought him outside and said, 'Look towards heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.' Then he said to him, 'So shall your descendants be.' And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness. Then he said to him, 'I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess.' But he said, 'O Lord God, how am I to know that I shall possess it?' He said to him, 'Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtle-dove, and a young pigeon.' He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away. As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him. When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire-pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying, 'To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates,

Second Reading ~ Philippians 3.17—4.1

Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation so that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

Gospel Reading ~ Luke 13.31-end

At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, 'Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.' He said to them, 'Go and tell that fox for me, "Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed away from Jerusalem." Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, "Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord."