



THE PARISHES OF
St OSWALD'S HOOE
and
St. MARY'S NINFIELD
WEEKLY SHEET ~ 2nd February 2020
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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

SERVICES NEXT WEEK

St. Mary's:

Wednesday 10.00am ~ Holy Communion ~ Ste ph Prosser

Sunday ~ No Service

St. Oswald's

Sunday 10.30am ~ Joint Parish Eucharist

PRAYER

David Adam

As our Lord was brought into the Temple, we ask your blessing upon the Church throughout the world. May we share in the mission of Christ and show that his light is for all peoples and nations. We remember all who are being baptised or confirmed and all who are seeking to dedicate their lives in your service. We pray for all your faithful people, that they may be lights in the world. Lord of light and life, hear our prayer. **Amen.**

**Any items for the
Weekly Sheet
To Nicki Murphy
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By Wednesday 6pm
please.**

Collect

Almighty and ever-living God, clothed in majesty, whose beloved Son was this day presented in the Temple, in substance of our flesh: grant that we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts, by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading - Malachi 3.1-5

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years. Then I will draw near to you for judgement; I will be swift to bear witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired workers in their wages, the widow, and the orphan, against those who thrust aside the alien, and do not fear me, says the Lord of hosts.

Second Reading - Hebrews 2 14-end

Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham.

Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

Gospel Luke 2. 22- 40

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord"), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons." Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, "Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel." And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, "This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too." There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshiped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem. When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

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PRAYERS & INTENTIONS

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

Peter Green, Donna Morris, Isaiah Benjamin,
Vanessa Harrison.

RIP Desmond Fuller

Whose Funeral is at 2.00pm on 10th February at St.Mary's

This week we pray for the residents of Church Lane, Ninfield,
Mill Lane Gardens, Hooe and the Ninfield Horticultural Society.

In our CTiB cycle of prayer we pray for St Peter's Bexhill and
Fr. David Reynish

St Mary's and St Oswald's Opening Times:

Where possible St Mary's will be open from:

9am – 3pm Monday - Thursday,

Wednesday 10 a.m. - Only when there is a Holy Communion Service. The church is closed on Fridays, Saturdays & after the Sunday Service.

St Oswald's is open from 9am to 5pm every day.

From the Diary

Mon 3rd February ~ Ninfield Flower Group Workshop

Fri 7th February ~ Ninfield Book Exchange

Sat 8th February ~ Hooe Coffee Morning and Book Exchange