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**PRAYERS & INTENTIONS**

*Pray daily for peace and all those who suffer from illness especially*  
Peter Green, Donna Morris, Isaiah Benjamin, John Proctor.

This week we pray for residents of Manchester Road,  
Ninfield, Church Lane, Hooe and the Churchwardens.  
In our CTiB cycle of prayer we pray for All Saints', Sidley,  
Michael Bailey and Andrew Birks.

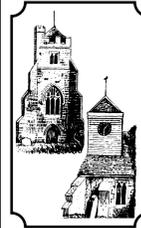
**St Mary's and St Oswald's Opening Times**

**St Mary's will be closed until further notice as government  
guidelines require there to be washing facilities  
or hand sanitiser at the door.**

**St Oswald's is open from 9am to 5pm every day.  
There are hand washing facilities to the left  
as you enter the church.**

**Any items for the Weekly Sheet**

to Nicki Murphy nickimurphy3@sky.com and  
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by Wednesday 6pm please.



**THE PARISHES OF**  
**St OSWALD'S HOOE**  
and  
**St. MARY'S NINFIELD**  
**WEEKLY SHEET ~ 22nd March 2020**  
www.ninfield.org.uk



THE CHURCH  
OF ENGLAND

**Today is the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent  
and  
Mothering Sunday**



*She got a papyrus basket for him . . . she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds  
on the bank of the river. (Exodus 2:3)*

## TODAY'S READINGS

## Mothering Sunday

### Collect

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; 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**

### Reading 2 Corinthians 1.3–7

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and the God of all consolation, who consoles us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to console those who are in any affliction with the consolation with which we ourselves are consoled by God. For just as the sufferings of Christ are abundant for us, so also our consolation is abundant through Christ. If we are being afflicted, it is for your consolation and salvation; if we are being consoled, it is for your consolation, which you experience when you patiently endure the same sufferings that we are also suffering. Our hope for you is unshaken; for we know that as you share in our sufferings, so also you share in our consolation.

### Gospel Reading Luke 2.33–35

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.'

### Post Communion Prayer

Loving God, as a mother feeds her children at the breast you feed us in this sacrament with the food and drink of eternal life: help us who have tasted your goodness to grow in grace within the household of faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### Food Bank Donations

These may be made directly to Bexhill Food Bank at Station Road opposite Sainsburys on Tuesdays between 1 and 3pm or on Thursdays between 10 and 12pm