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## PRAYERS & INTENTIONS

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

Linda Bligh, Cass Chapman, Nick Crawshaw,  
Tara Waterhouse, Ross Clifton, Jim Simmons and Nina Mutter.

**RIP:** Phil Pratt

This week we pray for all the residents of  
The Green, Ninfield, Red Lion Park, Hooe  
and the Ninfield Bonfire Society.

In the CTiB cycle of prayer we pray for St. Barnabas Church,  
Bexhill and their interim Minister - Martin Harper.

## PRAYER *Nick Fawcett*

**Any items for  
the  
Weekly Sheet  
to  
Nicki Murphy  
at  
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by  
Wednesday  
6p.m. please.**

Lord Jesus Christ, we want to worship you  
not through fine-sounding words or empty  
ritual but through truly living as your people,  
walking in your way and honouring your will.  
Help us to understand what it means  
to be part of your kingdom here on earth;  
to recognise that it turns so many of our  
Aspirations and assumptions upside down.  
Equip us not only to grasp that truth, but also to  
apply it to daily life, so that we might find in you  
true riches and fulfilment, lasting joy and love,  
life able to satisfy not just now  
but for all eternity  
**Amen**



THE PARISHES OF  
**St OSWALD'S HOOE**  
and  
**St. MARY'S NINFIELD**  
WEEKLY SHEET ~ 16th February 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**



*Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord. They shall be like a tree planted by water,  
sending out its roots by the stream. (Jeremiah 17:7, 8)*

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## **TODAY'S READINGS ~ 3rd Sunday before Lent**

### **Collect**

Almighty God, who alone can bring order to the unruly wills and passions of sinful humanity: give your people grace so to love what you command and to desire what you promise, that, among the many changes of this world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; 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.

### **First Reading ~ Jeremiah 17.5–10**

Thus says the Lord: Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the Lord. They shall be like a shrub in the desert and shall not see when relief comes. They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land. Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord. They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought, it is not anxious and it does not cease to bear fruit. The heart is devious above all else; it is perverse—who can understand it? I the Lord test the mind and search the heart, to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

### **Second Reading ~ 1 Corinthians 15.12–20**

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ—whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died

### **Gospel Reading ~ Luke 6.17–26**

He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them. Then he looked up at his disciples and said: 'Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. 'Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. 'Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. 'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. 'But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. 'Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. 'Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. 'Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets