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St OSWALD'S HOOE
and
St. MARY'S NINFIELD
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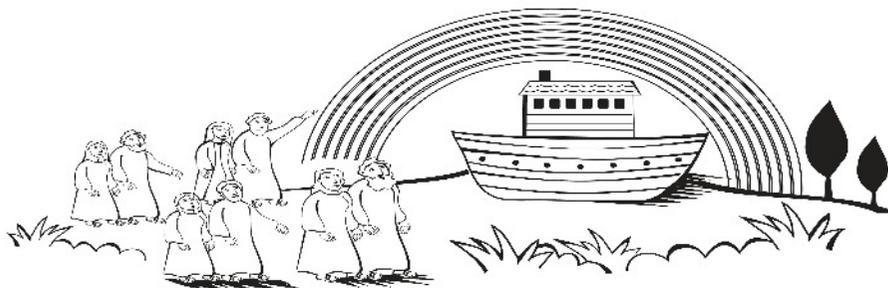
A warm welcome to everyone, especially any visitors .

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.

Due to Lockdown services will not be held in either of our churches until at least the end of February.

**St. Mary's is closed but
St. Oswald's is open for Private Prayer every day from
9.00a.m. to 4.30p.m.**



I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. (Genesis 9:13)

TODAY'S READINGS First Sunday of Lent

Collect

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin: give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit; and, as you know our weakness, so may we know your power to save; 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 - Genesis 9.8–17

Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, 'As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.' God said, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.' God said to Noah, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.'

Second Reading - 1 Peter 3.18–end

For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight people, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Gospel Reading - Mark 1.9–15

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.' And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness for forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him. Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.'

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PRAYERS & INTENTIONS

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

Donna Morris, Isaiah Benjamin, John Proctor, Tracey Perry,
Martin Wood, Val Masterman, Mary Browne, Brian Miles
and Donald Paine

This week we pray for the residents of High Street, Ninfield,
Sawpits, Hooe and Hooe Sports Club.
In our CTiB cycle of prayer we pray for all Hospital Chaplains

Prayer

Peter Dainty

God led Noah safely through the flood, from the plains of Mesopotamia to the mountains of Ararat.

It was a voyage between two worlds – Eden’s age of innocence (so the story goes) had given way, to an unruly age of violence and corruption. But the great Flood put an end to all that. And after the Flood, there was law based on strict justice – a life for a life. It was the beginning of social order and control, and we, the descendants of Noah, have inherited his world, although we’ve come a long way since then. **Amen.**

**Any items for the
Weekly Sheet**

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