

THE PARISHES OF St OSWALD'S HOOE

and

St. MARY'S NINFIELD WEEKLY SHEET ~ 20th June 2021



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A warm welcome to everyone, especially any visitors.

If you are new to our Churches please introduce yourselves to the sidespeople on duty. If you need help in any way during your time in church please talk to one of the sidespeople.

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



The battle is the Lord's. (1 Samuel 17:47)

TODAY'S READINGS 3rd Sunday after Trinity

Collect

Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts whereby we call you Father: give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious liberty of the children of God; 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 –1 Samuel 17.32-49

David said to Saul, 'Let no one's heart fail because of him; your servant will go and fight with this Philistine.' Saul said to David, 'You are not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him; for you are just a boy, and he has been a warrior from his youth.' But David said to Saul, 'Your servant used to keep sheep for his father; and whenever a lion or a bear came, and took a lamb from the flock, I went after it and struck it down, rescuing the lamb from its mouth; and if it turned against me, I would catch it by the jaw, strike it down, and kill it. Your servant has killed both lions and bears: and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be like one of them, since he has defied the armies of the living God.' David said, 'The Lord, who saved me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear, will save me from the hand of this Philistine.' So Saul said to David, 'Go, and may the Lord be with you!' Saul clothed David with his armour; he put a bronze helmet on his head and clothed him with a coat of mail. David strapped Saul's sword over the armour, and he tried in vain to walk, for he was not used to them. Then David said to Saul. 'I cannot walk with these: for I am not used to them.' So David removed them. Then he took his staff in his hand, and chose five smooth stones from the wadi, and put them in his shepherd's bag, in the pouch; his sling was in his hand, and he drew near to the Philistine. The Philistine came on and drew near to David, with his shield-bearer in front of him. When the Philistine looked and saw David, he disdained him, for he was only a youth, ruddy and handsome in appearance. The Philistine said to David, 'Am I a dog, that you come to me with sticks?' And the Philistine cursed David by his gods. The Philistine said to David, 'Come to me, and I will give your flesh to the birds of the air and to the wild animals of the field.' But David said to the Philistine, 'You come to me with sword and spear and javelin; but I come to you in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. This very day the Lord will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you down and cut off your head; and I will

give the dead bodies of the Philistine army this very day to the birds of the air and to the wild animals of the earth, so that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel, and that all this assembly may know that the Lord does not save by sword and spear; for the battle is the Lord's and he will give you into our hand.' When the Philistine drew nearer to meet David, David ran quickly towards the battle line to meet the Philistine. David put his hand in his bag, took out a stone, slung it, and struck the Philistine on his forehead; the stone sank into his forehead, and he fell face down on the ground.

Second Reading - 2 Corinthians 6.1-13

As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says, At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you.' See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labours, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honour and dishonour, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see-we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything. We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

Gospel Reading – Mark 4.35–41

On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side.' And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. A great gale arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, 'Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?' He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, 'Peace! Be still!' Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, 'Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?' And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?'

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PRAYERS & INTENTIONS

Pray daily for peace and all those who suffer from illness especially
Donna Morris, John Proctor, Martin Wood,
Val Masterman, Mary Browne, Brian Miles, Donald Paine
and Anthony Gibbons.

This week we pray for the residents of Standard Hill, Ninfield, Broad Street Green, Hooe and the Hooe History Group.

In our CTiB cycle of prayer we pray for St Peter's Church, Bexhill (in vacancy)

Any items for the Weekly Sheet

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by Tuesday 6pm please.

Prayer David Adam

Blessed are you, Lord our God, for you are ever with us and your presence brings us close to your power and your peace. You are ready to hear our cry and to help us in our troubles. We rejoice in your love and in your care. Blessed are you, God, for ever, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Almighty and loving God, we seek to rest in your presence and in your peace. The Church is often buffeted by storms of antagonism and opposition. We remember before you all Christians who are struggling to survive in areas where they face violence or ridicule for their faith. We pray especially for those whose lives are at risk at this time. We remember also young Christians who have to face opposition from their friends and relatives. Lord, in the storms of life we call upon you: Grant us your peace. Amen.