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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, Donald Paine,
and Anthony Gibbons.

This week we pray for residents of Coombe Shaw
Ninfield, Red Lion Park, Hooe
and all Church Childrens'work.

In our CTiB cycle of prayer we pray for the
Society of Friends and Marie Miller.

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Please pray for Carl Aaron Moir and Sophie Natalie Sneddon
married in St. Oswald's yesterday 28th August 2021.

Prayer Nick Fawcett
Almighty God, help us truly to
worship you - to offer not superfi-
cial show, empty piety, lifeless rit-
ual or outward observance, but
heartfelt praise, true thanksgiving,
genuine penitence, sacrificial com-
mitment, meaningful intercession
and a real hunger and thirst to
know and serve you better. Work
within us now, so that what we de-
clare with our lips we may believe
in our hearts and display in our
lives, to your glory. **Amen.**

**Any items for the Weekly
Sheet**

to Nicki Murphy
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Wednesday 6pm please.



**THE PARISHES OF
St OSWALD'S HOOE
and
St. MARY'S NINFIELD
WEEKLY SHEET ~ 29th August 2021
www.ninfield.org.uk**



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.*

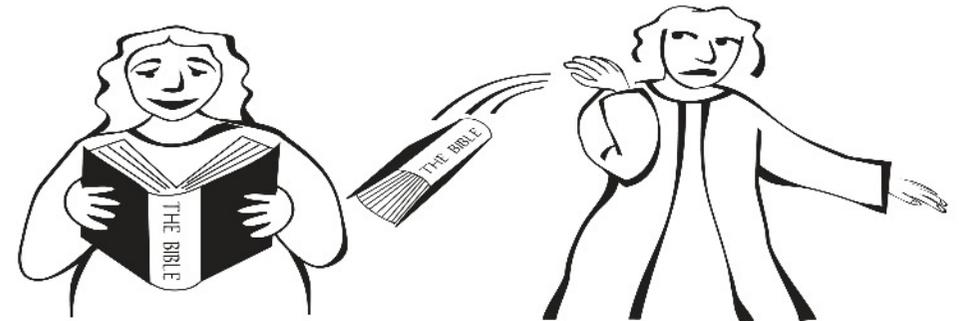
*Please note that both churches are installed with hearing loops to help
those who wear a hearing aid with the T setting.*

SERVICES NEXT WEEK

**St. Mary's
Sunday 9.30am ~ Parish Eucharist**

Sunday St Oswald's 11am ~ Parish Eucharist

St Oswald's Prayer Tree – 12 noon Monday 30th August



Honour those who fear the Lord. (Psalm 15:4b)

TODAY'S READINGS

13th Sunday after Trinity

Collect

Almighty God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

First Reading Song of Solomon 2.8–13

The voice of my beloved! Look, he comes, leaping upon the mountains, bounding over the hills. My beloved is like a gazelle or a young stag. Look, there he stands behind our wall, gazing in at the windows, looking through the lattice. My beloved speaks and says to me: 'Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away; for now the winter is past, the rain is over and gone. The flowers appear on the earth; the time of singing has come, and the voice of the turtle-dove is heard in our land. The fig tree puts forth its figs, and the vines are in blossom; they give forth fragrance. Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away.'

Second Reading James 1.17–end

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfilment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures. You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls. But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the

perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing. If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

Gospel Reading Mark 7.1–8, 14, 15, 21–23

Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?' He said to them, 'Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, "This people honours me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines." You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.' Then he called the crowd again and said to them, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.' For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.'