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PRAYERS & INTENTIONS

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

Donna Morris, Donald Paine, Rebecca Fossett
and Linda Bligh.

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

In our CTiB cycle of prayer we pray for
St Mary's Ninfield and Paul Frostick.

N.B. St Oswald's is collecting for the Foodbank on the
first Sunday of each month.

**Any items for the
Weekly Sheet**

to

Nicki Murphy

at

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by

Wednesday 6p.m.

please.

PRAYER

Nick Fawcett

Living God, help us today, as we hear
your word, to act upon it, consecrating
our lives to you and committing
ourselves again to your service.
Awaken us to all you would say,
and teach us to build our lives upon
Christ, our faith founded in him
so that it is able to withstand
whatever storms life may throw at it.
Speak now, and give us ears to hear,
in his name.

Amen.



**THE PARISHES OF
St OSWALD'S HOOE
and
St. MARY'S NINFIELD**
WEEKLY SHEET~ 11th June 2023

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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. ~ Family Eucharist

St. Oswald's

Sunday 11.00a.m. ~ Parish Eucharist



The house did not fall because it had been founded on rock. (Matthew 7:25b)

TODAY'S READINGS

First Sunday after Trinity

Collect

O God, the strength of all those who put their trust in you, mercifully accept our prayers and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without you, grant us the help of your grace, that in the keeping of your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; 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 12.1–9

Now the Lord said to Abram, 'Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.' So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. Abram took his wife Sarai and his brother's son Lot, and all the possessions that they had gathered, and the persons whom they had acquired in Haran; and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan, Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. Then the Lord appeared to Abram, and said, 'To your offspring I will give this land.' So he built there an altar to the Lord, who had appeared to him. From there he moved on to the hill country on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; and there he built an altar to the Lord and invoked the name of the Lord. And Abram journeyed on by stages towards the Negeb.

Second Reading ~ Romans 4.13–end

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, 'I have made you the father of many nations')—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become 'the father of many nations', according to what was said, 'So numerous shall your descendants be.' He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already* as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith 'was reckoned to him as righteousness.' Now the words, 'it was reckoned to him', were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Gospel Reading ~ Matthew 9. 9-13

As Jesus went on from there, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax collector's booth. "Follow me," he told him, and Matthew got up and followed him. While Jesus was having dinner at Matthew's house, many tax collectors and sinners came and ate with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" On hearing this, Jesus said, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. But go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."