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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 Bexhill Road,
Ninfield, Kiln Lane, Hooe and Ninfield Village Allotments.

In our CTiB cycle of prayer we pray for
All Saints Church, Sidley,
Bishop Nicholas Reade and Olivia Werrett.

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

**Any items for the
Weekly Sheet**

to

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by

Wednesday 6p.m.

please.

PRAYER *Nick Fawcett*

God of justice and truth, yet also of
love and mercy, focus our thoughts on
you, so that we are open to fresh
insights into truth, new horizons in
faith and a deeper understanding of
your purpose. Help us to stand up
against evil and to work together for
good, recognising that you yearn to
redeem all and do not willingly let go
of anyone. So may we contribute to
your kingdom's growth among us now,
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
Amen.



**THE PARISHES OF
St OSWALD'S HOOE
and
St. MARY'S NINFIELD**
WEEKLY SHEET~ 23rd July 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

No Service

St. Oswald's

Sunday 11.00a.m. ~ Parish Eucharist



Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go.

(Genesis 28:15)

TODAY'S READINGS

7th Sunday after Trinity

Collect

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; 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 28.10–19a

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went towards Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the Lord stood beside him and said, 'I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.' Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, 'Surely the Lord is in this place—and I did not know it!' And he was afraid, and said, 'How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.' So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. He called that place Bethel; but the name of the city was Luz at the first.

Second Reading ~ Romans 8.12–25

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, 'Abba! Father!' it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes* for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Gospel Reading ~ Matthew 13.24–30, 36–43

He put before them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, "Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?" He answered, "An enemy has done this." The slaves said to him, "Then do you want us to go and gather them?" But he replied, "No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'" ' Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, 'Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.' He answered, 'The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!