

## WELCOME

We are very pleased to welcome you if you are a visitor or newcomer to the church. If you'd like to, please make yourself known to the sidesperson or a churchwarden; we'd be delighted if you'd join us for coffee in the church hall after the service. We use a variety of liturgy. There is a T loop in the church for the benefit of people with hearing aids.

Children join us today in the service. There is a WC and changing facilities, which you can use at any time, in the vestry opposite the entrance. There is no collection plate at our services but if you would like to make a donation, there is a card reader and a wall safe by the door.

This Pew Sheet and much more is available on the website: [www.stnicholasmarston.org.uk](http://www.stnicholasmarston.org.uk)

## THE LEPROSY MISSION

In today's service we hear the stories of Naaman and the ten whom Jesus healed. The Leprosy Mission continues a healing ministry for people who suffer the pain and stigma of leprosy, providing holistic medical care and researching new treatments and diagnostics. As you start to wonder what to give friends and family for Christmas, their catalogue has a great selection of gifts and books. Go to [tlmtrading.com](http://tlmtrading.com) or ask Gill Hale for a copy.

## PRAYER FOR DIVYA SHANTHI

The High School conducted yearly exams in July. The rate of failure was higher than expected and

revealed the impact of two years of Covid where attendance was poor. The school has instituted extra classes and support for children who have fallen behind.

Pray for students with serious health issues. Pavan stepped on a live electricity wire on the street where he lives. His legs were badly burnt. Two others also required hospitalization. The medical team provided excellent support and the children have recovered and back at school.

The 75th Anniversary of India's independence was celebrated with a programme that traced India's 4,500-year history. School families and local community folk participated celebrating India's diversity and its achievements and struggles. Community members showered the performers with compliments. Our school children continue to do well and win trophies in the regional inter school sports competitions.

## PARISH ADMINISTRATOR

We have received a good number of applicants for the post of parish administrator. The selection panel will meet for interviews on Thu 29 Sep.

## CHILDREN AND FAMILIES MINISTER

We have re-advertised for a part-time worker to help lead our ministry with children and families. Full details are on the website. Please remember this in your prayers and if you know a suitable candidate, introduce them to Skye.

## JUNIOR CHOIR

With a new term starting, this is a great opportunity for children to join our musical training scheme and enjoy singing at services and other events. Contact the music director, Neil Barker for more information.

## NEXT WEEK'S CALENDAR

### Mon 19 September

9 am Morning Prayer.

### Wed 21 September

9.30 am Holy Communion at St Nicholas.  
Followed by coffee and cake.

9.30 am Toddlers in the church hall.

6.30 pm Holy Ground outside the Eco Hub

### Sat 24 September

10:30 am Mindfulness Course at St Thomas

7:00 pm Pulse Youth Group in the church hall.

## NEXT SUNDAY 25 SEP

### Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

8 am Holy Communion (BCP).

10 am Celtic Holy Communion

## CONTACT DETAILS

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While the post is vacant, emails will still be answered. Please continue to send items for the pew sheet and check the web site for other contact details.

### **HOLY GROUND 21 SEP**

Our Celtic Year gathering will mark the Autumn equinox at 6.30 pm on Wed 21 Sep. We meet around a fire pit at the Marston Eco Hub (outside the vicarage). Bring something to share, a chair and a blanket if it is cold. Everyone is welcome.

### **MINDFULNESS COURSE 24 SEP**

Even if you missed the first two sessions. Ginny Ross would still welcome you at St Thomas Elsfield 10:30 am on Sat 24 Sep.

### **CHORAL EVENSONG 2 OCT**

The combined choirs of St Nicholas and Holy Trinity, Headington Quarry will lead a service of evening prayer at 6 pm on Sunday 2 Oct at Headington Quarry church. The preacher will be Joel Denno.

### **EXPLORING FAITH AND COMMUNION 7 OCT**

If you are thinking about confirmation or would like to receive communion, there is a course for children (9+) and young people starting on Fri 7 Oct between 7 pm and 8 pm at the Vicarage. It will continue fortnightly or monthly depending on the group.

If you are a bit older, there will be an online course to explore Confirmation and Faith, also starting Fri 7 Oct between 8 pm and 9 pm. In either case, let Skye know if you would like to take part or help to lead.

### **HARVEST FESTIVAL 9 OCT**

Our Harvest Festival at 10 am on Sun 9 Oct will also be a celebration of 900 years of worship at St Nicholas. We will collect items for the food bank (at least 6 months best before date) and after the service there will be a BRING AND SHARE LUNCH in the hall! It's a great opportunity to invite a friend or neighbour.

### **PRAYER BREAKFAST 15 OCT**

On Sat 15 Oct there will be a prayer breakfast from 8 pm in the Church Hall. Please let Skye know as soon as possible if you can attend so that we can plan the catering.

### **FUN DAY 22 OCT**

We plan a community fun day from 10 am on Sat 22 Oct. Several of the regular team will be away, so Skye would be especially pleased to hear from anyone who can help. If you might be available, please let her know, soon as possible.

### **OLD MARSTON LIBRARY**

We are always looking for more volunteers to help keep our library open. If you think you can spare a little time, please email Jan Lawrie [janlawrie@btinternet.com](mailto:janlawrie@btinternet.com)



**18<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2022**

**Fourteenth Sunday After Trinity**

### **TODAY'S SERVICES**

#### **8 am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP)**

Led by	Revd Skye Denno
Preacher	Geoff Hale
Epistle	Galatians 5:16
Gospel	Luke 17:11
(pp 179-180 in the BCP)	

#### **10 am HARVEST FESTIVAL at St Thomas, Elsfield**

with licensing of Revd Andy Gosler to the Benefice of Marston and Elsfield by the Archdeacon of Oxford, Ven Jonathan Chaffey

#### **4 pm THE 4PM SERVICE in Church Hall**

A more informal service of worship, bible reading, discussion, prayer and refreshment.

Led by	Neil Barker
Theme	Renewing Creation