

## COLLECT

God our redeemer,  
you have delivered us from the power of  
darkness  
and brought us into the kingdom of your  
Son:  
grant, that as by his death he has recalled  
us to life,  
so by his continual presence in us he may  
raise us to eternal joy;  
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

*The reading from Acts must be used as  
either the first or second reading.*

**Either Acts 16:9-15**

*A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.*

During the night Paul had a vision: there  
stood a man of Macedonia pleading  
with him and saying, "Come over to  
Macedonia and help us." When he  
had seen the vision, we immediately  
tried to cross over to Macedonia, being  
convinced that God had called us to  
proclaim the good news to them. We  
set sail from Troas and took a straight  
course to Samothrace, the following day  
to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi,  
which is a leading city of the district of  
Macedonia and a Roman colony. We  
remained in this city for some days. On  
the sabbath day we went outside the  
gate by the river, where we supposed  
there was a place of prayer; and we sat  
down and spoke to the women who had  
gathered there. A certain woman named  
Lydia, a worshipper of God, was listening  
to us; she was from the city of Thyatira  
and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord  
opened her heart to listen eagerly to  
what was said by Paul. When she and  
her household were baptised, she urged  
us, saying, "If you have judged me to be  
faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my  
home." And she prevailed upon us.

Or **Ezekiel 37:1-14**

## PSALM Psalm 67

**R** *Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.*

God be gracious to us and bless us  
and make his face to shine upon us,  
That your way may be known upon earth,  
your saving power among all nations. **R**

O let the nations rejoice and be glad,  
for you will judge the peoples righteously  
and govern the nations upon earth.  
Then shall the earth bring forth her  
increase,  
and God, our own God, will bless us.  
God will bless us,  
and all the ends of the earth shall fear  
him. **R**

## SECOND READING

**Revelation 21:10. 22 – 22:5**

*A reading from the book of Revelation.*

In the spirit the angel carried me away to  
a great, high mountain and showed me  
the holy city Jerusalem coming down out  
of heaven from God. I saw no temple in  
the city, for its temple is the Lord God the  
Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has  
no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for  
the glory of God is its light, and its lamp  
is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its  
light, and the kings of the earth will bring  
their glory into it. Its gates will never be  
shut by day – and there will be no night  
there. People will bring into it the glory  
and the honour of the nations. But nothing  
unclean will enter it, nor anyone who  
practises abomination or falsehood, but  
only those who are written in the Lamb's  
book of life. Then the angel showed me  
the river of the water of life, bright as  
crystal, flowing from the throne of God  
and of the Lamb through the middle of  
the street of the city. On either side of the  
river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds  
of fruit, producing its fruit each month;  
and the leaves of the tree are for the  
healing of the nations. Nothing accursed  
will be found there any more. But the  
throne of God and of the Lamb will be in  
it, and his servants will worship him; they  
will see his face, and his name will be on  
their foreheads. And there will be no more  
night; they need no light of lamp or sun,  
for the Lord God will be their light, and  
they will reign for ever and ever.

Or **Acts 16:9-15**

## GOSPEL

**Either John 14:23-29**

*Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to John.*

Jesus said to his disciples: "Those who  
love me will keep my word, and my  
Father will love them, and we will come  
to them and make our home with them.

Whoever does not love me does not keep  
my words; and the word that you hear is  
not mine, but is from the Father who sent  
me. I have said these things to you while  
I am still with you. But the Advocate, the  
Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in  
my name, will teach you everything, and  
remind you of all that I have said to you.  
Peace I leave with you; my peace I give  
to you. I do not give to you as the world  
gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled,  
and do not let them be afraid. You heard  
me say to you, 'I am going away, and  
I am coming to you.' If you loved me,  
you would rejoice that I am going to the  
Father, because the Father is greater than  
I. And now I have told you this before it  
occurs, so that when it does occur, you  
may believe."

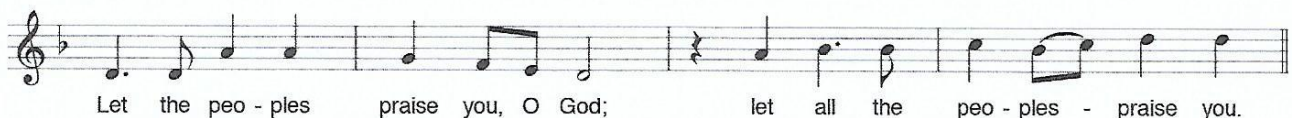
Or **John 5:1-9**

*Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to John.*

After this there was a festival of the Jews,  
and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now in  
Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a  
pool, called in Hebrew Bethzatha, which  
has five porticoes. In these lay many  
invalids – blind, lame, and paralysed. One  
man was there who had been ill for thirty-  
eight years. When Jesus saw him lying  
there and knew that he had been there a  
long time, he said to him, "Do you want  
to be made well?" The sick man answered  
him, "Sir, I have no one to put me into  
the pool when the water is stirred up; and  
while I am making my way, someone else  
steps down ahead of me." Jesus said to  
him, "Stand up, take your mat and walk."  
At once the man was made well, and he  
took up his mat and began to walk. Now  
that day was a sabbath.

## POST COMMUNION

God our Father,  
whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of  
eternal life:  
may we thirst for you,  
the spring of life and source of goodness,  
through him who is alive and reigns, now  
and for ever.



Let the peo - ples praise you, O God; let all the peo - ples - praise you.



# SIGNPOST

the weekly newsletter of  
St George's, Tuffley with St Margaret's, Whaddon

## Sharing God's Love

Welcome to all!

### Diary Dates for w/c Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2025

Sun 25 <sup>th</sup>	Easter 5		
	9.00am 10.30am	St M St G	Parish Communion: Parish Communion Welcomer: Glenice Crucifer: David Readers: Helen & Derek Intercessions: Susan Coffee: Sylvia E IGBO
	4.00pm	SH	
Mon 26 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	SH	Say Aphasia
Tue 27 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am 10.00am 11.30am	SH St G St G	Coffee Pot Parish Communion Funeral for Eileen Spiers RIP
	5.00pm 8.00pm	LC MH	Evening Prayer Karate
Wed 28 <sup>th</sup>	8.15am	Zoom	Morning Prayer
	3.30pm	MH	Slimming World also at 5.00pm & 6.30pm
	5.00pm	LC	Evening Prayer
Thu 29 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	St M	Parish Communion
	10.30am	SH	Thursday Club
	2.00pm	SH	Art Group
	5.00pm	LC	Evening Prayer
	6.30pm	MH	Clubbercise
	7.00pm	St G	Deanery Ascension Day Eucharist
	7.30pm	SH	Charter Band
Fri 30 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	SH	Entertainers
Sat 31 <sup>st</sup>	10.00am	St G	Spring Half Term Family Fun
	10.00am	MH	Karate
Sun 1 <sup>st</sup>	10.30am	St G	Parish Communion: Welcomer: Margaret Crucifer: Roger Readers: Lynne & Paul Intercessions: Linda M Coffee:
	5.00pm	St M	Evensong

St G = St George's, St M = St Margaret's,  
MH = Main Hall, SH = Small Hall,  
SL = Softley Lounge, LC = Lady Chapel.

### Please come on Thursday!

We are hosting the Deanery Ascension Day Eucharist at St George's this year, please do come along if you can for a 7.00pm start.

### We pray for:

Peter, George, Terry, Phil. Malcom, Stella, Hugh, John, Caroline, Tim, and Sarah

### Hymns at St George's: -

573 Praise to the Lord  
161 Father hear the prayer we offer  
615 Spirit of the living God  
680 This joyful Eastertide

### Notices

#### Open Garden

Tuffley gardens, Tuffley lane, Gloucester GL4 0DT will be open on Sunday 1st June 11am – 4pm as part of the national open gardens scheme where gardens are open for charity. Combined Entrance is £5 for more information at ngs.org.uk

#### Half Term Family Fun, Sat 31st May 10 – 11.30

Please add your name to the sign-up sheet if you can help with this! Thankyou.

#### Holiday Club Full Team Briefing – Tues 29 July

Come along 2-4pm for essential safeguarding information, to hear the songs and try out the crafts!

#### Foodbank

There is a collection tray at the back of the Church. The Foodbank are in Urgent need of: LONG LIFE FRUIT JUICE & MILK, (not chilled), PACKET MASH, NAPPIES 5 & 6 Thank you.

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We are part of the Church in Tuffley

