

## Notices and updates

It is sad news that our brother in law, **Reverend Tony Minchin** has passed away. He was 86 and had served the Gloucester Diocese for all of his Ministry other than a Curacy at Bushey, Hertfordshire in the mid 60's. He is survived by wife Christine (Gordon's sister) and children Peter, Alison and Tim. His funeral service is at St Cyrs Church, Stonehouse on Monday 9th May. Some St George's Church congregation may remember him as he helped with Eucharistic services during various interregnum.

Gordon & Rona



# PLANT SALE

St. George's Church, Brockworth invites you to a **PLANT SALE** with other gardening items on

**Saturday 7th May at 2 pm**

Outside the Church Centre, Court Road, on the field and car park

Refreshments available - All proceeds to St. George's Church - Come and join us!

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May, 7.00pm - Annual Parochial Church Meeting : Church Centre**

### **As we express our joys and concerns to God this week...**

Let us be thankful and pray for those serving our community through their work; our Parish and Borough Councillors, our Parish, Borough and Church administrators and the members of the PCC (Parochial Church Council).

Let us pray for those being married at St George's this year; may they have the special day they planned for and may they have a lifetime of loving, honouring and treasuring one another.

Let us continue to pray for healing and wholeness in mind, body and spirit for Jean Corless, Mary, Emma, Joy and Bob Curzon.

Let us pray for God's blessings on Helen and Stephen who are to be married this month. May love and laughter fill your hearts and your home for all the days of your lives.

Let us pray for the family and friends of Joan Blunt; pray they would know and experience the peace, presence and comfort of Jesus.

**This week's diary**

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| 8th  | 9.00am<br>10.30am | Communion Worship Service : Church<br>Family Worship Service : Church Centre                      |
| 9th  | 10.00am<br>7.00pm | Parent and Toddler Group : Church Centre<br>Annual Parochial Church Meeting : Hall, Church Centre |
| 11th | 9.45am<br>7.00pm  | Communion : Church Centre<br>Church Centre Committee Meeting : Lounge, Church Centre              |
| 12th | 7.30pm            | Bell ringing practice : Church  |

**Keep connected with each other and with God.**

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## THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

We worship in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
Amen.

**Sing:** *(click on the song title, and it should open up and play in YouTube)*  
[516 My God, how wonderful you are](#)

We meet to celebrate the coming of Christ into the world. The word was made flesh and dwelt among us ... and we beheld his glory.

**Almighty God,  
To whom all hearts are open,  
All desires known,  
And from whom no secrets are hidden:  
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
By the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
That we may perfectly love you,  
And worthily magnify your holy name;  
Through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

Gathering our thoughts, we remember and confess:

**Our Lord Jesus Christ said;  
The first commandment is this;  
'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord.  
You shall love the Lord your God  
With all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind  
And with all your strength.'  
The second is this, 'Love your neighbour as yourself.'  
There is no other commandment greater than these.  
On these two commandments  
Hang all the law and the prophets.**

**Most merciful God,  
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
we confess that we have sinned  
in thought, word and deed.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart.  
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.**

**In your mercy  
forgive what we have been,  
help us to amend what we are,  
and direct what we shall be;  
that we may do justly,  
love mercy,  
and walk humbly with you, our God.  
Amen.**

May almighty God have mercy on us and forgive us our sins and bring us to everlasting life. Amen.

*Take a few moments to sit and think about receiving that unconditional offering of forgiveness through grace.*

**Collect**

Risen Christ,  
faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep:  
teach us to hear your voice  
and to follow your command,  
that all your people may be gathered into one flock,  
to the glory of God the Father.

**Amen.**

**Reading : Acts 9:36-43 (ESV)*****Dorcas Restored to Life***

Now there was in Joppa a disciple named Tabitha, which, translated, means Dorcas.<sup>[d]</sup> She was full of good works and acts of charity.<sup>37</sup> In those days she became ill and died, and when they had washed her, they laid her in an upper room.<sup>38</sup> Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, hearing that Peter was there, sent two men to him, urging him, "Please come to us without delay."<sup>39</sup> So Peter rose and went with them. And when he arrived, they took him to the upper room. All the widows stood beside him weeping and showing tunics<sup>[e]</sup> and other garments that Dorcas made while she was with them.<sup>40</sup> But Peter put them all outside, and knelt down and prayed; and turning to the body he said, "Tabitha, arise." And she opened her eyes, and when she saw Peter she sat up.<sup>41</sup> And he gave her his hand and raised her up. Then, calling the saints and widows, he presented her alive.<sup>42</sup> And it became known throughout all Joppa, and many believed in the Lord.<sup>43</sup> And he stayed in Joppa for many days with one Simon, a tanner.

**Gospel Reading: John 10:22-30 (ESV)*****I and the Father Are One***

At that time the Feast of Dedication took place at Jerusalem. It was winter,<sup>23</sup> and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the colonnade of Solomon.<sup>24</sup> So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly."<sup>25</sup> Jesus answered them, "I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name bear witness about me,<sup>26</sup> but you do not believe because you are not among my sheep.<sup>27</sup> My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me.<sup>28</sup> I give them eternal life, and they will never perish,

and no one will snatch them out of my hand. <sup>29</sup> My Father, who has given them to me,<sup>[a]</sup> is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand. <sup>30</sup> I and the Father are one.”

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**Sing:** *(click on the song title, and it should open up and play in YouTube)*  
723 The Lord's my shepherd

Let us declare our faith with confidence:

**We believe in God the Father,  
who created all things:  
for by his will they were created  
and have their being.**

**We believe in God the Son,  
who was slain:  
for with his blood,  
he purchased us for God,  
from every tribe and language,  
from every people and nation.  
We believe in God the Holy Spirit:  
the Spirit and the Bride say, 'Come!'  
Even so come, Lord Jesus! Amen.**

We pray with confidence as our saviour has taught us:

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and forever. Amen.**

St. George's, Brockworth

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2022

**Sing:** *(click on the song title, and it should open up and play in YouTube)*

33 Alleluia, sing to Jesus

**Numbers 6:24-26**

May the LORD bless you and protect you.

May the LORD smile on you and be gracious to you.

May the LORD show you his favor and give you his peace.

Our worship has ended, but our service now begins. Let us go in peace to love and serve the risen Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Amen.**