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## PRAYERS & INTENTIONS

*Pray daily for peace and all those who suffer from illness especially  
Cass Chapman and Diana Jennings.*

This week we pray for all the residents of  
Moor Hall Drive, Ninfield, Kiln Lane, Hooe  
and the Hooe Village Community Group.

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

**N.B.** 10th May - Paul Abnett is giving an organ Recital after the service

**Any items  
for the  
Weekly  
Sheet  
to  
Nicki Murphy  
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by  
Wednesday  
6p.m. please.**

## PRAYER

*Nick Fawcett*

Lord Jesus Christ, shepherd of the sheep, Lamb of God, we thank you that though we repeatedly err and stray, ignoring your voice and wandering far from your side, you not only seek us out, but also willingly lay down your life for us, freely giving that we might freely receive. Equip us now to show our gratitude by following you more closely, trusting you more completely and obeying you more faithfully, so that our lives as well as our words may give honour to you, now and always. **Amen.**



THE PARISHES OF  
**St. OSWALD'S HOOE**  
and  
**St. MARY'S NINFIELD**  
WEEKLY SHEET ~ 26th April 2026  
www.ninfield.org.uk



*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. ~ Parish Eucharist**

**St. Oswald's**

**Sunday 11.00a.m. ~ Family Service**

St Oswald's Prayer Tree - Monday 27th April - 12 noon



*He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. (John 10:3b)*

## **TODAY'S READINGS ~ 4th Sunday of Easter**

### **Collect**

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

### **First Reading ~ Acts 2.42–end**

Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

### **Second Reading ~ 1 Peter 2.19–end**

For it is to your credit if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, where is the credit in that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps. 'He committed no sin and no deceit was found in his mouth.' When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

### **Gospel Reading ~ John 10.1–10**

'Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.' Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. So again, Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.'