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## PRAYERS & INTENTIONS

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

This week we pray for all the residents of  
Moorland Close, Ninfield, Lower Road, Hooe  
and the Ninfield Parish Council.

In the CTiB cycle of prayer we pray for  
St John's Baptist Church and Kathy Lee.

## PRAYER

*Peter Dainty*

When we are weak and weary, make us to lie down in green pastures. When we are anxious and afraid, lead us beside still waters and restore our souls. When we are confused and lost, show us the way. When, in our busyness, we forget you and wander away, do not forget us, but come and seek us out. When, in our foolishness and selfishness, we are tempted to go astray, bring us back to the right path. When we face the valley of shadows, be with us to bring us safely through. On every step of our pilgrimage through life and death help us to put our trust in you, our sure and loving shepherd, companion and friend, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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



THE PARISHES OF  
**St. OSWALD'S HOOE**  
and  
**St. MARY'S NINFIELD**  
**WEEKLY SHEET ~ 3rd May 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. ~ Joint Parish Eucharist**

Followed by an Organ Recital by Paul Abnett

**St. Oswald's**

*No Service*



*I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. (John 14:6)*

## TODAY'S READINGS ~ 5th Sunday of Easter

### Collect

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

### First Reading ~ Acts 7.55–end †

But filled with the Holy Spirit, he gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. 'Look,' he said, 'I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!' But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, 'Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.' Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, 'Lord, do not hold this sin against them.' When he had said this, he died.

### Second Reading ~ 1 Peter 2.2–10

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation—if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture: 'See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.' To

you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner', and 'A stone that makes them stumble and a rock that makes them fall.' They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

### Gospel Reading ~ John 14.1–14

Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.' Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.' Philip said to him, 'Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.' Jesus said to him, 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, "Show us the Father"? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.