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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  
Ninfield Road, Ninfield, Mill Lane Garden, Hooe  
and Hooe Parish Council.

In the CTiB cycle of prayer we pray for  
Beulah Baptist Church and David Lockwood.

We also pray for Bentley Ginnaw and Lucy Puddefoot  
who were married at St Mary's yesterday

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

## PRAYER

Nick Fawcett

Loving God, we want to worship you, not just now but always through faithful discipleship and obedience to your will, through lives of love pleasing in your sight but we cannot do it by ourselves: we need your help. Draw near through your Spirit of truth, and, through the power of the risen Christ, transform, re-create and make us new, so that we may praise you now and honour you always, to the glory of your name.

**Amen.**



THE PARISHES OF  
**St. OSWALD'S HOOE**  
and  
**St. MARY'S NINFIELD**  
**WEEKLY SHEET ~ 10th 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. ~ Family Eucharist**

**St. Oswald's**

**Sunday 11.00a.m. ~ Parish Eucharist**

Christian Aid Week - 10th -16th May

Envelopes for donations at the back of church



*He has kept us among the living, and has not let our feet slip. (Psalm 66:9)*

## TODAY'S READINGS ~ 7th Sunday of Easter

### 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 ~ Acts 17.22–31 †

Then Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, 'Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, "To an unknown god." What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For "In him we live and move and have our being"; as even some of your own poets have said, "For we too are his offspring." Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.'

### Second Reading ~ 1 Peter 3.13–end

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defence to anyone who demands from you an account of the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight people, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

### Gospel Reading ~ John 14.15–21

'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. 'I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father and I will love them and reveal myself to them.'