



**One church of all ages, with a vibrant, dynamic, worshipping heart,  
reaching out with the love of Christ to Marlow Bottom and beyond**

**20<sup>th</sup> May 2018 – Pentecost**

**10.30 Holy Communion in The Chapel  
11.00 Lantern at St. Mary's with Graham & Sami Watts**

**Services in May & June**

**27 May 09.30 Holy Communion with Prayer Ministry  
18.30 Compline with Graeme Slocombe**

**03 June 09.30 Holy Communion with Graham & Sami Watts  
11.00 Lantern in The Chapel with Graham & Sami Watts**

**10 June 09.30 Holy Communion with Graham & Sami Watts**

## NEWS AND DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

There will be a prayer walk tomorrow evening at 7pm from 165 Marlow Bottom. All welcome.

Our third '**Be Still**' service will be on Sunday 27th May at 6.30 pm at St Mary's. This opportunity for reflection and prayer will be in the form of Compline - evening prayer. All welcome.

All members of the 9.30 service and their spouses/partners are warmly invited to supper at Graham & Sami's at 165 Marlow 'Bottom on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> June at 7pm. Please RSVP 01628 440106 or [Sami.Watts@4u-team.org](mailto:Sami.Watts@4u-team.org)

**Gabrielle is very glad to have left hospital** to recover at home where she and Tony have been overwhelmed with cards, flowers & meals making her feel much loved. She is due another scan next week but meanwhile we know you will understand that Gabrielle is not well enough for visitors at present. Please continue to pray for her, Tony and Caroline. Meanwhile the Parish Office will be happy to forward any cards you may wish to send.  
*Dave*

**URGENT - The One Can Trust Foodbank has less than 1 months supply of food in the warehouse**, and the school holidays are a particularly hard time for many families. Summer hunger is a rising problem in the UK and thousands of children will miss out on meals this year. Please give generously now in the hope we can replenish the stores in time for the summer holidays! Urgently required are **TINS** of ham, corned beef, meatballs, meat meals ie. stew & curry, meat pies, potatoes, tomatoes, fruit, custard & rice pudding, plus Rice (500g or 1kg), UHT milk, shampoo, toilet rolls, jelly & Angel Delight. Thank You!

**The 4<sup>th</sup> LOVE Marlow Community Festival: 1-17 June 2018** LOVE Marlow is the initiative of Churches Together in Marlow, working with local community groups & businesses. See [www.lovemarlow.co.uk](http://www.lovemarlow.co.uk) for the full programme & events listing. Please invite friends & neighbours to support events, and if you would be willing to volunteer your help, particularly for events run by churches, please respond by email to [hello@lovemarlow.co.uk](mailto:hello@lovemarlow.co.uk)

**John Smith** is approaching the end of his curacy with us. He plans to take up his new ministry in the chaplaincy of Marseilles in the coming months. The chaplaincy has three churches, one of which is John's village of Oppède. There will be an opportunity to **say goodbye to John on May 27th** when he is taking his last services at Bisham and Little Marlow. We wish him every blessing in this new ministry.

**FRIDAY LUNCHTIME CONCERTS** have started at All Saints Marlow –  
25th May 1.10pm Toby White cello  
8th June 1.10pm Isabel Nisbet (contralto) & Rhidian Jones  
15th June 1.10pm Anthony Hammond organ  
Light lunches available from 12.30pm.

**EVENING CONCERT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY AT ALL SAINTS MARLOW**  
**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> May 5pm** Music at The Manor, Little Marlow. For tickets ring 07775 957090  
**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30pm** Chiltern Camerata Tickets £12 from Marlow Information

**WOMENS BREAKFAST Saturday 9th June 9-11am All Saints Church Hall.** Lois

Cuthbert will be speaking on The promise of His Presence. Lois & Nick, her husband, have lived in Birmingham since 1972 where they were founding pastors of Riverside Church. She has been pastor, counsellor and mentor to many and is currently a life coach. She has two sons and four grandchildren. To reserve a place, contact the Parish Office 01628 481806 or [parish.office@4u-team.org](mailto:parish.office@4u-team.org) Suggested donation £5.

**WYCOMBE DEANERY RETREAT DAY**

**Wed 23<sup>rd</sup> May 10-3pm @ The Mill House Turville.** Lunch & refreshments provided. £5pp  
Contact [suemorton131@gmail.com](mailto:suemorton131@gmail.com) tel:01491 639286

**Lighthouse Marlow 2018 – 30 July to 3 August**

For those who are not aware, Lighthouse is a Christian holiday club for primary school age children run by volunteers. Helping at Lighthouse is great fun and very rewarding, there are lots of jobs that need doing and so something for everyone. Registration to help at Marlow Lighthouse is now open. If you helped last year you should have received an email with a link to register again. If you got this email please do use the link – even if it is to advise us that you can't help this year. If you are a new helper (or one from a previous year) please register at <https://lighthousecentral.org> – select Marlow from the drop-down list and then complete your details.

We are also looking for some administrative help in the months leading up to Lighthouse, and are particularly seeking people to help with fundraising, checking DBS forms and communications (including social media). If you want to know more about these and other admin opportunities, or just want to know more about Marlow Lighthouse, please contact Sarah Jones, Chairman Marlow Lighthouse ([sarah.j.jones@gmail.com](mailto:sarah.j.jones@gmail.com) or 07939 106564).

**Readings for next week Isaiah 6: 1-8 John 3: 1-17**

***We are ordinary people led by an extraordinary God, whose love inspires us to welcome everyone, serve our communities and grow as we follow Jesus together***

# **TOGETHER IN PRAYER 4U TEAM**

**Week beginning 20<sup>th</sup> May 2018**

**A Prayer for Pentecost** We come at this Pentecost, reminded of the constant work of your Spirit, inspiring, guiding, challenging, refining. Move within us we pray. Almighty God, Spirit of truth, come as you promised and reveal to us more of the way of Christ. Come and fill us with deeper faith and greater love. Give us the gifts we need to work for your kingdom, inspire us with new vision and purpose, and breathe your power into our lives. Move within us we pray. Almighty and loving God, open our hearts and minds and souls to your Spirit, whoever we may be, and so equip us to live as your people, not just this but every day, our lives reflecting your glory and proclaiming your love. Move within us we pray, move within us.

**Pray** for our Church Council as we take time to review and celebrate the last year and plan for the year ahead. Grant all members, patience discernment and tolerance give each respect for other's opinions and grace to reach a consensus that will enable all our congregations to feel part of a generous and inclusive church community, where all are valued and loved equally and all voices are heard. Guide us to use our resources wisely.

**Pray** for our staff team, for John as he prepares to move to a new ministry in France; for Gabrielle as she recovers from surgery; for Sarah during her sabbatical, for their respective families and friends in their support and concern. **Pray** for Dave, Sami, Graham, Mieke and Roland and the lay ministry team as they come together to cover additional duties.

**Pray** that we will be an open and welcoming church to all and any who seek to know our Lord better and to draw closer to God especially. Help us to be tolerant and respectful to each other and all whom we meet, to use our gifts in service to you and to all. **Pray** for the new wave of Small Group opportunities to share and grow in faith and friendship together

**Pray** for the suffering people of Syria and that negotiators will work for a peaceful end to conflict and there will be hope for rebuilding lives and a devastated land. **Pray** for all those at home and abroad whose lives have been altered by violence, terrorist acts, severe weather and tragic accidents. **Pray** that all those fleeing from oppression, violence and poverty, may find a welcome and a safe haven offering security, love and hope for the future. **Pray** for the peoples of North and South Korea making tentative steps for a mutual peaceful and secure future. **Pray** for all those who are victims, or touched in any way by the increase in knife crime and gang violence

**Pray** for the many children involved in school clubs, after school clubs, Sunday school and daytime activities and all the volunteers who work with Anna and Amelia to provide the teaching, the activities and the fun in knowing Jesus as a friend.

**Pray** for those who are sick in body mind or spirit and all those who struggle to make sense of their lives, and are facing personal times of crisis. **Pray** for those who are elderly and housebound, or living in residential homes with few friends or visitors. **Pray** for those recovering in hospital or at home; those waiting for treatment; those coming to terms with disability or changed lifestyles.

**Pray** for those who have recently died and those who are still missed and give thanks for their lives; may those who mourn know the peace and love of Christ. **Pray** for doctors, nurses and technicians who use their God given skills to heal and to mend.