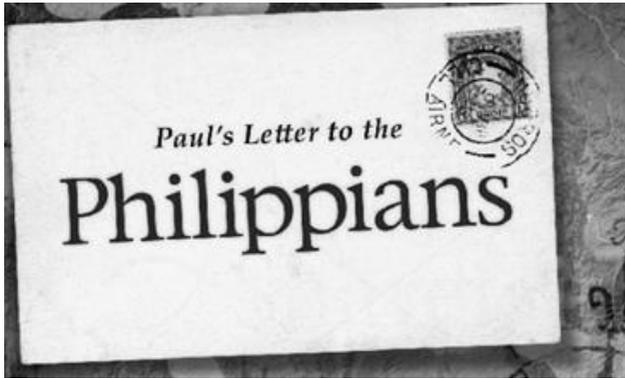


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St Matthew & St Oswald's Church
and Overslade Church

Our vision is to be truly Jesus' disciples.
Growing deeper in **Worship**. Growing closer in **Community**.
Growing further in **Mission**.

Sunday 13 January – Epiphany 2



10.30am **United Holy Communion** – St Matthew & St Oswald's
Title: Be Encouraged: Thank God for the church!
Reading: Philippians 1:1-11 {page: 1178 in pew bibles}
Speaker: Rev Barry Collins

*There will be no other services
across m.20 today*

WORSHIP



Visiting for the first time today?

We are delighted to have you join us. Please make yourself known to a member of the Welcome Team (who will be wearing a badge).

Visiting Clergy. We warmly welcome **Rev Barry Collins** who joins us for our United Holy Communion service today. Next Sunday, 20th January, at St Matthew & St Oswald's, **Rev Paul Simmonds** joins us at 10.30am to take the baptism and **Rev Martin Saxby** will lead, preach and take Holy Communion at 4.30pm. On Sunday 27th January **Rev Lindsay Hughes** leads the 10.30am Communion service at St Matthew & St Oswald's and **Rev Alan Hawker** leads the 10.30am Communion service at Overslade.

New Service pattern. When they last met, the PCC agreed a new pattern of services during our time of vacancy. **10.30am Services at St Matthew & St Oswald's** Week 1: All Age Worship, **Week 2: United Holy Communion for all congregations**, Week 3: Morning Worship, Week 4: Holy Communion.

10.30am Services at Overslade Church Weeks 1 and 3, Morning Worship, Week 4: Holy Communion.

4.30pm Services at St Matthew & St Oswald's Weeks 1 and 3, Holy Communion, Week 4: Evening Prayer.

This service pattern might change slightly on occasion e.g. for Easter.

New Sermon Series. Starting today Sunday 13th January and running through to 7th March we shall be having a new sermon series, in which we shall be looking at Paul's letter to the Philippians, urging us to **"Be encouraged"**. Details on the bookmark included in today's newsletter.

COMMUNITY

Christmas 'Thank You'. A great big 'Thank You' to everyone who played their part in our special services over Christmas. Lots of people were involved, some up-front, others behind the scenes. Each contribution of time, gifts and practical help made an impact.

↳ Thank you to Debbie and her team of decorators who made the church look so festive. To Dave and his 'tree team' for their invaluable help. To Marion, Hilary, all the musicians and choir who led us in Worship. To the Readers who put so much time, effort and co-ordination into the services. For Sarah and her refreshments team who did such a good job at the Carol Service. For Hilary who ensured our Crib service participants really looked the part! For the technical team who did additional duties. For those who helped take the decorations down last Sunday. Finally to the Churchwardens who held everyone and everything together!

Refreshments Team Vacancy.

We are in need of helpers to cover the second week of each month, which will be the United Service. If this is something you might be interested in doing please contact dawn@m2o.org.uk



↳ Thank you to our churchwardens who have stepped in and will be serving us our teas and coffees after this morning's service.

Are you in a Connect Group? Connect Groups are a great opportunity to meet during the week at people's houses. Each group is different but our values are the same – worship, community and mission. If you'd like to know more or would like to join a group, please speak to Anna Naish.

We were sorry to hear of the death of Marion Turnbull last weekend. Marion, with her husband Ray and their family, were long standing members of St Matthew's and founder members of Overslade Church. Please pray for all her family and friends at this sad time.

On behalf of the Guests I would like to say a big thank you to the support shown for the Night Shelter by our Church Family, friends and relatives.”
Terry Seamer

MISSION

Night Shelter.

“At the time of writing there have been five Winter Night Shelter sessions at Lawford Road with the average number of Guests being six. Numbers were expected to be lower than last year due to the success Hope4, working in conjunction with Rugby BC, have had in finding housing for many of their clients. However, with the onset of colder weather, an increase in numbers attending other venues, has been seen in recent days. Our helpers have been excellent and a good relationship has been established with the Guests, some of whom we are seeing on a regular basis (for a variety of reasons some guests are more difficult to house than others).

Key Worker Hope4 (Rugby) Ltd. Hope4 is looking to recruit a new Key Worker - someone to work alongside homeless people in Rugby getting them back into housing, benefits, employment etc. It is an exciting and challenging role bringing very practical help to those so often on the margins of society. Information about this post is available via <http://www.hope4.org.uk> An application form can be downloaded, completed and either emailed to the Chair of Directors at applications@hope4.org.uk or sent by post to Diana Mansell, Recruitments, 8 Newbold Road, Rugby, Warwickshire, CV21 2LJ by midday 24th January 2019.

SUNDAY TAKEAWAY

Thoughts you might like to consider:

- What is God saying through this Bible passage?
- How does it apply to your life?
- What do you need to do about it?



~ W H A T ' S O N ~

- Mon 14** 2.00pm *Mothers' Union – St Matthew & St Oswald Church Hall*
- Tues 15** 10.15am *Pitstop ~ Coffee and Chat*
St Matthew & St Oswald Church Hall
- Wed 16** 9.15am *Coffeebreak – St Matthew & St Oswald Church Hall*
7.00pm *Youth Group – m2o Church Centre*
- Sun 20** 10.30am **Morning Worship – Overslade Church**
10.30am **Morning Worship with baptism**
St Matthew & St Oswald's Church
Children's groups – m2o Church Centre
4.30pm **Holy Communion – St Matthew & St Oswald's Church**
- Mon 21** 7.30pm *PCC Meeting – m2o Church Centre Lounge*
- Tues 22** 10.15am *Pitstop ~ Coffee and Chat with Boccia*
St Matthew & St Oswald Church Hall
- Wed 23** 9.15am *Coffeebreak – St Matthew & St Oswald Church Hall*
7.00pm *Youth Group – m2o Church Centre*
- Thu 24** 2.00pm *Thursday Fellowship resumes – Howard Room*

A Prayer during our time of vacancy.

Heavenly Father, we pray to you during this time of vacancy in our parish. We ask that you will help us to share responsibility, grow in faith, love one another, care for those in need, reach out to others and welcome newcomers. Lord Jesus, guard and grow this church as we serve you together in this period without a vicar. Please guide those who are seeking the right person for us, and those who are seeking the right church for their ministry, that together we may discover your way for the future and see your kingdom grow.

Amen.

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