

## All Age Communion

### Collect for Sunday

Risen Christ, you have raised our human nature to the throne of heaven; help us to seek and serve you, that we may join you at the fathers side, where you reign with the spirit in glory, now and forever.

### Reading—1 Kings 19:1-4, 8-15a

*(Page 355 of OT in the Church bibles)*

**Read by** Jose Kennedy

### Gospel - Luke 8:26-39

*(page 86 of NT in the Church bibles)*

**Eucharist presided by** Revd Gary Collins

**Preaching by** Richard Croft

**Worship led** Revd Gary Collins

**Prayers led by** Mary Langshaw

### Hymns for Today

Praise my soul, the king of heaven  
Dear Lord and Father of mankind  
Light of the world  
*Calm me Lord*  
*Be still and know that I am God*  
Christ be our light

*All are invited to come for communion and prayer.*

*If you do not wish to take communion, please come for prayer. If you have any particular need, problem or prayer request please speak to a member of the clergy after the service.*

## Congratulations

Congratulations to Chris & Carol Meunier who celebrated their silver wedding anniversary this week.



## The Festival of Prayer

Saturday 6 July 2019

Ripon College, Cuddesdon,  
Oxford, OX44 9EX

Keynote speaker: Pete Greig

Booking now open

[brfonline.org.uk/festival-of-prayer](http://brfonline.org.uk/festival-of-prayer)



## Modern Prophets

What the modern prophets are saying

Hamish Preston's recent collection of papers - summaries of critical and insightful thinkers- is now available online....

<http://stjohnandstephen.co.uk/what-the-modern-prophets-are-saying/>

Please take a look, and let him know your thoughts.

## World Land Trust

At the church lunch on 2 June we raised £178 and this sum, along with a planned Mission donation of £100, has been passed to the World Land Trust. This £278 has enabled the Trust to purchase and protect two and three quarter acres of threatened wilderness habitat and its wildlife. A certificate acknowledging this is displayed on the notice board at the back of church. Once again, thank you to all who made this possible. Further information is available at [worldlandtrust.org](http://worldlandtrust.org) or speak to Joanna Lainesmith.

## East Reading Festival

Sunday 23rd June  
Palmer Park  
12 noon until 6pm

FREE ENTRY

Music Performance Stages, Stall Galore,  
Great Line up  
[www.eastreadingfestival.co.uk](http://www.eastreadingfestival.co.uk)

## Creed

We say it every week but what on earth does it mean? Come and explore the rich depths of the nicene creed and how it came to be.

This fascinating evening will be led by Fr. Peter Day from Christ church and Fr. Gary.

Wednesday 4th July 8pm in the Gallery.



## Birthdays

**Sini Tomy & Simon Jones (25th)**  
**June Russell & Jared Collins (26th)**  
**Swapnika Mann (27th)**  
**Diana Metcalfe (28th)**

## Prayers

- Prayers for Sushila and her family as they cope with the loss of Vikram and for her mother who is ill in India
- Prayers for Val Thorne and family
- Prayers for John Lawrence. He went into hospital on Tuesday 4 June and will be there for 3-4 weeks. He will receive complex treatment and will have to be kept in isolation with very few visitors.
- Prayers for Leslie & June Russell.
- Please pray for Chris and Bill Gothard and family, for the grace and strength to persevere.

Please give any items for prayer or notices to The Office *before* 9am on Wednesday by pigeon hole, e-mail or phone.



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## Church Diary

Sun 23rd	10.30am	Holy Communion (sung)
	2-5pm	Contact Centre
Mon 24th	9am	Morning Prayer
	10am	English Class
	1pm	Monday Monsters
Tues 25th	9.45am	Fireside
	12-2pm	Jacket Potato Club
Weds 26th	1.30-3.30	Oasis
	6-8pm	Cubs & Scouts
Thurs 27th	10.45am	Holy Communion (Café)
	11.15am	Coffee morning
Friday 28th	9am	Morning Prayer
Sun 30th	10am	Holy Communion (sung)

## Small Groups

Oasis (Bridget Barwick)	966 9735	Wed 1.30pm
Richard & Rosemary Croft	926 0672	Thurs 8.00 pm
Jeremy & Rachel Thake	987 1288	Thurs 8.00 pm
Judith Lawrence	954 1332	Thurs 8.00 pm

*You are welcome to join - please speak to contact/leader*

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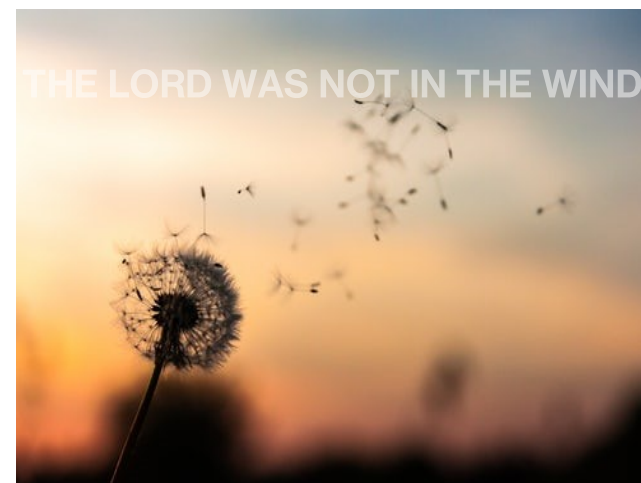
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**St. John & St. Stephen's**

## 2nd Sunday after Pentecost 23rd June 2019



### WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH

**Don't rush away, please feel free to join us after the morning service for a cup of coffee or tea, and chat. We look forward to your company.**

23rd June—Peter & Nancy Crooks  
 30th June—Marian Harwood & Friends

Welcome Team leader **Norma Stevenson**  
 On-duty Warden today is **Richard Croft**