### Reading: Ruth 1 v 1-19a

**1** In the days when the judges ruled,<sup>[a]</sup> there was a famine in the land. So a man from Bethlehem in Judah, together with his wife and two sons, went to live for a while in the country of Moab.<sup>2</sup> The man's name was Elimelek, his wife's name was Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Kilion. They were Ephrathites from Bethlehem, Judah. And they went to Moab and lived there.<sup>3</sup> Now Elimelek, Naomi's husband, died, and she was left with her two sons. <sup>4</sup>They married Moabite women, one named Orpah and the other Ruth. After they had lived there about ten years, <sup>5</sup> both Mahlon and Kilion also died, and Naomi was left without her two sons and her husband.<sup>6</sup> When Naomi heard in Moab that the LORD had come to the aid of his people by providing food for them, she and her daughters-in-law prepared to return home from there. <sup>7</sup> With her two daughters-in-law she left the place where she had been living and set out on the road that would take them back to the land of Judah.<sup>8</sup> Then Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go back, each of you, to your mother's home. May the LORD show you kindness, as you have shown kindness to your dead husbands and to me. <sup>9</sup> May the LORD grant that each of you will find rest in the home of another husband."Then she kissed them goodbye and they wept aloud <sup>10</sup> and said to her, "We will go back with you to your people."<sup>11</sup> But Naomi said, "Return home, my daughters. Why would you come with me? Am I going to have any more sons, who could become your husbands? <sup>12</sup> Return home, my daughters; I am too old to have another husband. Even if I thought there was still hope for me—even if I had a husband tonight and then gave birth to sons—<sup>13</sup> would you wait until they grew up? Would you remain unmarried for them? No, my daughters. It is more bitter for me than for you, because the LORD's hand has turned against me!"<sup>14</sup> At this they wept aloud again. Then Orpah kissed her mother-in-law goodbye, but Ruth clung to her.<sup>15</sup> "Look," said Naomi, "your sister-in-law is going back to her people and her gods. Go back with her."<sup>16</sup> But Ruth replied, "Don't urge me to leave you or to turn back from you. Where you go I will go, and where you stay I will stay. Your people will be my people and your God my God. <sup>17</sup> Where you die I will die, and there I will be buried. May the LORD deal with me, be it ever so severely, if even death separates you and me."<sup>18</sup>When Naomi realized that Ruth was determined to go with her, she stopped urging her.<sup>19</sup> So the two women went on until they came to Bethlehem. When they arrived in Bethlehem

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Welcome to Holy Trinity. If this is your first visit to Holy Trinity, or if you have recently joined us, we'd just like to say how great it is to have you with us. We are a church full of people who are trying to live lives that reflect Jesus and would be so pleased if you would consider joining with us. Please don't go away today without touching base. You can do that by filling in one of the 'Welcome Cards' in the foyer and joining us for

refreshments after the service in the Hall. All the information on our church family life is on our website:

www.trinitytewkesbury.org.uk



With our blessing, Stephen and Sharon Walker

We look forward to getting to know you.

Sunday 3rd June 10am Morning Worship Stephen Walker "Mind the Gap": Commitment Sunday 10th June 10am Morning Worship David King

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Weekly Events		
Mondays	Life Group	10.30am
Tuesdays	<b>Youth Life Groups, Sch Yrs 7-13</b> (Term time only)	7.00-9.00pm
	Music & Movement Group	10.30-11.30am
Wednesdays	Coffee Morning	10.00am
	Holy Communion	10.30am
	Life Groups	7.30pm
Thursdays	<b>Smarties</b> - for parents & carers of pre-school Children (Term time only)	10.15- 11.45am
	Life Groups	7.30pm
Fridays	Life Group	10.30am

### Hurry! Don't miss our Amazing Technicolour Production Tickets on sale *now*

Friday 22nd June 7:30pm & Saturday 23rd June 6:30pm

Suitable for all the family. Tickets £5 as it's the 50th Anniversary year of Joseph 50% of the ticket sales will go to MIND. If you have ordered tickets, please do bring in your ticket money as soon as you can! Tickets selling fast!

# Mum's Drop In Café - Monday 4th June Doors open 9:15

Mums! Bring your babes along for an informal gathering in Room 4, contact Julie Pinder for more information.

# Inter-Church Skittle Night, 8th June 6.30pm

Priors Park Community Church are hosting a fund raiser at Tewkesbury Rugby Club, to find out more see notice board in Foyers and consider entering!

# Church Family Fun Day - Saturday 9th June 1-4pm

Bouncy Castles, Face Painting BBQ and lots more to bless the community, but we need your help! If you can please see Lucy after church.

# Volunteers Needed for Medieval Festival Mission 14-15<sup>th</sup> July

Working together with the other churches in Tewkesbury we will be reaching out to the thousands of visitors who come for this annual event. Can you help facilitate this outreach by serving on one of the teams (hospitality, family crafts etc)? If so please complete a time slot on one of the rotas in the Foyer or see one of our church reps.

# Our Mission Partner for June is :

Tim Curtis, who is in Paraguay, and having translated the bible into the Énxet language, is now building on that by distributing it, encouraging its use and working on translating associated material. More information on the Mission Board.

### Sermon Link

If you would like to listen again to Sunday's sermon, receive the Life Group Notes and the Weekly News Sheet, email Rachel at the Church office to opt in to receiving the weekly email. Life Group leaders already receive this to pass on to their groups but if you are not in a Life Group, don't miss out!

### The Pamoja Gospel Choir - Saturday 9th June 8pm St Michael's Church Bishop Cleeve

The choir Is performing a concert with others . In support of the St Michael's Centre which does a great deal of outreach into the community, supporting families and individuals in need. Further details and tickets are available from Elizabeth and Peter Browne, or you can pay on the night at the door.

# Could you host a Japanese Student?

Cotswold Wind Academy are looking for host families from 17th to 30th July (13nights) as they attend Tewkesbury School. Ideal for families with children. One girl per family, with host family receiving allowance for her board and lodging. For more information contact Shiho Gabb - see notice board in foyer

# Art Exhibition this year - Mop Fair week?

If you would be interested in helping to organise it, or exhibit, please contact Jean Herrick so we can see if it would be viable.

# Can you join the Coffee Rota?

Meet new people and join the team! If you can spare one Sunday a month to go and serve on the Coffee Rota after the morning service then please contact Louise Woodward.

### \*\*\* DBS \*\*\*

If you have done your DBS recently and have not shown Rachel your certificate please get in contact to do so.

# Would you like someone to pray with you?

Throughout the service our prayer ministry team is available to pray with you at the far end of the church by the vestry door

