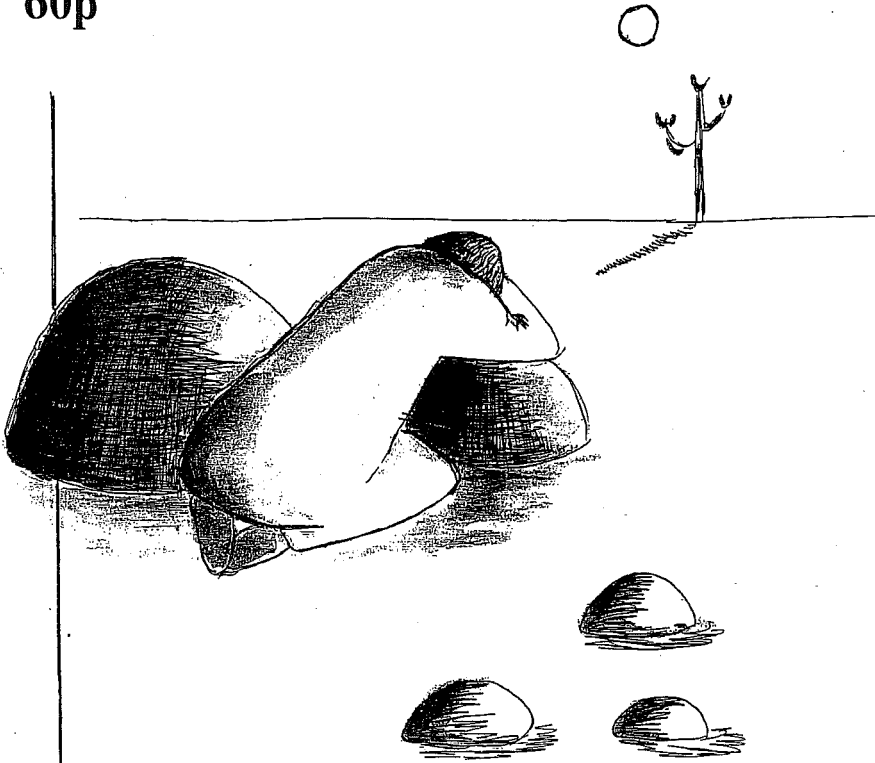


# Good News:

March 2014.

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“Man cannot live by bread alone, but  
by every word that proceedeth from  
the mouth of GOD” Matthew 4<sup>th</sup>

**LENT**

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We are delighted to share sacramental ministry with retired Priests who serve our Parishes, the Deanery and the Diocese in many ways.

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David Pattinson writes:

### “Our Journey of Faith”

As well as being a Lay Reader here in Oakham, I have “permission to officiate” in Palma, Mallorca in the diocese of Europe. At our morning service on the 9th June, last year, one of our Sunday school leaders, Sam, shared with us that it was a special day in the life of his father - he was celebrating **60** years as an ordained priest. Amazing! And, as Sam was talking about his father in Mallorca, his brother was sharing the same message with Dad’s regular congregation in Fulham.

But even more amazing was the genesis of his vocation. As a 17 year old he was the first to arrive on the scene as a plane fell from the skies. The pilot turned out to be Polish. All Sam’s father could do was to take the Polish airman in his arms, and hold him. He was saying “Save me! Save me!” He died in minutes. It wasn’t until later, the realisation dawned that the request was not for physical healing but for spiritual healing - a request for last rites. This turned out to be a life changing experience, because it was the catalyst for Sam’s dad’s journey to ordination.

Last Autumn, I had the privilege to listen to the “faith journey” of three people who are also journeying to ministry, lay ministry in this case, and a fascinating experience it was. It came hard on the heels of the position in reverse, where I was sharing with a priest my faith journey - something which, I confess, has happened rarely. And then, Vyv lent me a book not so long ago, entitled “Creating Community” by Simon Reed. It relates Simon’s experience in parish ministry, and sets out his belief that today’s church has a lot to learn from the ways of the Celtic church. One of Simon’s key recommendations is that we should have a “soul friend”, an experienced Christian who can share our “faith journey”. You can find out more in Simon Reed’s book, but I was struck by a quote from St. Brigid one of the most famous Celtic saints from Ireland, who wrote

“ a person without a soul friend is like a body without a head.”

Last week, I spent a day at Launde Abbey, entitled "Ways of Faith". There were 15 of us, and we were invited to reflect on our faith journey, with and into God, and then to draw a picture, or put together a montage of items collected from the garden, which represented something of our faith journey.

Now, art and I are uneasy bedfellows, although I enjoy touring galleries. I always used to get a migraine at school in double art on a Monday afternoon! However, the Launde experience was not a test of my art skills but rather an opportunity for me to reflect on my journey of faith, my relationship with God - and then to share it with others in a small group. It was altogether an illuminating experience.

Our "faith journeys" are unique. They are fascinating; encouraging; challenging; moving. Perhaps we should share them more often. And what better time than Lent to reflect on where we are, for the journey still continues. Perhaps a soul friend can help - can encourage us to achieve our Christian purpose, expressed in the catechism.

"man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy Him forever."

David Pattinson Lay Reader.

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## **Mothers' Union News**

**February Meeting:** The "happy and successful run" I mentioned last month continued with a splendid meeting when 26 members and visitors came to hear Jenni Duffy speak on the work of the Parish Evangelist. It is always good to welcome one of our own members as a speaker and Jenni treated us to a most interesting and insightful talk via an excellent power-point presentation (this courtesy of Kevin Slingsby of course!) Jenni spoke of her own experience and her calling to this important position and explained the selection process, the training, and the vital outreach work undertaken, Jenni gave us examples such as the MU Advent Travelling Cribs, the Pram service (another MU initiative), the work with young families and the Bereavement Group. She finished by reminding us that we are all evangelists and the job belongs to us all! Thank you Jenni for a most enlightening talk.

Pamela Woods read a reply she had received from our link branch in Malawi and Christine reported on our link with Tasmania.

**March Meeting** will be on **Thursdau 13<sup>th</sup> March at 2.15pm** but please note, **in church**. This is because it is Lent and, as usual, takes the form of a Holy Communion Service taken by Revd. Audrey Atkinson. Audrey is unwell at present, we wish her a speedy recovery and hope to be able to welcome her, "hale and hearty" and completely recovered by then.

### **Committee Matters:** (and Yes it does!)

Viv Ufton has undertaken liaising with Rev. Brian Nicholls in arranging the MU contribution to the monthly Corporate Communion at St John and St Anne. The Committee has decided to follow the example of The Friends and invite individual members to contribute an occasional article about our meetings to the Parish Magazine, I am sure this will be an interesting and refreshing innovation.

A member is required to minute Committee meetings (usually four times a year) and the AGM. This will fill the remaining gap in the Committee's set up and it is not an onerous commitment. I hope someone will feel it is well within their capabilities and join us.

Barbara James.



## Christian Aid Week 2014

### War tears lives apart Love can help piece them back together

*'The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer... in whom I take refuge.'* 2 Samuel 22:2-3

For a growing number of people across the world, the horror of war is a part of daily life.

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Together we can send people living in fear this message: you are not alone. We're with you, helping you to rebuild your lives, and working for peace.

Imagine what such an expression of love would mean to people searching for the strength to cope with the devastation of war, and how it could help to drive out their fear.

Demonstrate God's love for those living in poverty and show how much good the church is doing in the world this Christian Aid Week.



The Ven Richard Ormston, Archdeacon of Northampton writes



### Be Positive

Lent begins on 5<sup>th</sup> March. Whereas that may not quicken your pulse or get you reaching for the champagne, it is a wonderfully practical time of year. Lent is a chance to get real about the way we live as followers of Jesus Christ. Lent is an opportunity to take a spiritual health check. How? Lots of ways and here are just a few:

1. Even if you find silence difficult (I certainly do) spend five minutes in silence each day. Take a few words from the Bible, like "God so loved the world" or "Behold, I stand at the door and knock", or whatever you have been reading – and turn them over in your mind in those silent five minutes. The words will stay with you all day. They will begin to shape your thinking – to challenge you and encourage you.
2. Be practical. It's OK to give something up for Lent (like being a miserable bad tempered old soul) but better to take on something positive. For example: Take some time to write down the many blessings you have. Let's get started ... Food in the cupboard, water in the tap, a bed to sleep on, a roof over your head, clean clothes to wear ... and then thank God for these wonderful things. Pray for those who are not as well off as you are. Then turn that prayer into practical action. How? Regularly giving food to your local food bank is a simple and effective way of getting practical – not just in Lent, but every week.
3. Don't forget that the 40 days of Lent do not include Sundays (add them up and see!).. Every Sunday is a celebration of the resurrection. Jesus is alive and well and living in the Diocese of Peterborough. So when you are having your first coffee of your Sunday morning, or cracking open a bottle of red for Sunday lunch or unwrapping a bar of chocolate when you crawl in from your fifth service of the day ... think Fair Trade. Your enjoyment should also rub off on someone else. And if none of these ideas fills you with enthusiasm for Lent, get on the internet and Google phrases like "Positive Lent", or "Creative Lent" or "Ideas for Lent". There are so many ideas that may just transform your Lent into a great run in to Easter.

Enjoy!



## South Sudan Challenge for Northants Priest

Canon Derek Waller, vicar of St Peter's, Rushden for the past ten years, is planning to move with his wife Jane to South Sudan later this year.

The move follows an invitation from their long-standing South Sudanese friend, Bishop Anthony Poggo to re-visit the country where they had both worked in the 1980s. "Bishop Anthony invited us and our adult children to visit our old friends in South Sudan last year," Derek says. "It was a joyful time, as we renewed friendships and worshipped with local Christians. As we became aware of the many needs there, we felt a renewed call from God to serve the people and the church. There's tremendous openness, joy and faith there. We realised how much it would mean to them if we returned."

Derek and Jane will work in the Yei Diocese under Bishop Hilary. Yei is close to the border with both the Democratic Republic of Congo and Uganda, which is safe for Western aid workers.

Many of the Sudanese church pastors have had little education and so are unable to give church members very much teaching about the Christian faith. The Diocese hopes to re-start a college where Derek will focus on training and supporting clergy. Jane – who currently teaches ICT at Northampton College and is a serving magistrate – will both teach ICT and train others to teach it.

The biggest challenge facing the couple is raising about £25,000 a year to support their posts. Although they have been accepted as CMS (Church Mission Society) partners, the Anglican agency now expects all its accredited workers to be self-financing.



"I'm thrilled that a priest with a settled role in the UK is willing to hear God's call to serve him in a more challenging part of the world," says Bishop Donald. "I hope parishes in the diocese will support Derek and Jane."

Derek will leave his current post in May before he and Jane embark on visits to link parishes and training to help prepare them for their new roles. They expect to move to South Sudan in the late autumn.

Parishes or individuals wishing to know more about the Wallers' proposed ministry in Africa, or to offer prayer or financial support, can contact them directly at [derekwaller@btinternet.co](mailto:derekwaller@btinternet.co) or via the CMS link adviser [julie.hinkley@cms-uk.org](mailto:julie.hinkley@cms-uk.org). All money earmarked for them and sent via CMS will go to their support

## **Bishop Donald takes his seat in the Lords**

Bishop Donald was introduced into the House of Lords in early February. He became one of the 26 bishops in the House, who are seen as representing all faith communities and their wider geographical community. He will share with other bishops a particular responsibility for being a Church of England spokesperson on prisons and criminal justice, and farming and rural affairs.

"I'm glad to say that they were my first two choices," he says. "I'm not an expert on either, but I know a fair amount and care deeply about both."

Bishop Donald reflected on the role of the Bishops in the Lords. "God is interested in the whole of life. The Kingdom is not just what happens in church, it's much bigger than that. Bishops speak from a politically neutral position to try and bring the principles of Christianity to every area of life."

Because of his diocesan responsibilities, Bishop Donald normally expects to be in London one day a week (normally Tuesdays) during the Lords' term time. However for two weeks each year he will be on duty in the House all week and ready to speak on any matters that come up. He will also be on call for one week during a recess.

He intends to continue his pattern of working from the Diocesan Resource Centre (Bouverie Court) in Northampton on Wednesdays and his Peterborough office on Thursdays. His plan to visit all clergy in their homes once every three years is also unaffected.

## **Bethlehem joins the Real Easter Egg campaign**

A cooperative in Bethlehem is making tens of thousands of olive wood crosses for a special edition of the Real Easter Egg this year. It is the first time a cross has featured as part of a mainstream Easter gift.

The special edition egg is one of three new designs available, the other two being a sharing box with 20 smaller eggs and 20 Easter story booklets and the third is a boxed egg which comes with a 24 page Easter story book and some Chunky chocolate buttons.

Out of the 80 million Easter Eggs sold in the UK every year, the Real Easter Egg is the only one which tells the Easter story, gives money to charity and is Fairtrade.

"Each year it's a struggle to get the Real Easter Egg stocked in large enough quantities by supermarkets," says David Marshall, from the Meaningful Chocolate Company. "So we send hundreds of thousands of eggs to churches that collect orders from their members and order directly from us online or through the post."

As the egg sells out every year the advice is to please order early. You can check which shops are stocking the egg or buy it at [www.realeasteregg.co.uk](http://www.realeasteregg.co.uk).

To date, more than 450,000 Real Easter eggs have been sold.



Stamford Ladies Lunch Club has been dining out for 30 years. Now benefiting from an exciting new menu, they would like to share those delicacies with new members!

At Stamford Ladies Lunch Club there is a diverse menu that caters for polished taste buds and inquisitive minds. High quality food and entertainment keeps our members coming back for seconds. You don't have to take the plunge on your own, however there are plenty who do, and tables for new members make that an easy step with conversation flowing easily in no time. Equally we sometimes find group reservations in our diary, friends who join together looking for something to stimulate more than just their taste buds....and our speakers offer just that! The icing on the cake, so to speak (we don't do baking!), is that we welcome members from all around the area, not just in Stamford as the name may suggest, and currently have members from Oakham, Uppingham, Oundle, Stamford and their surrounding villages. We meet every other month at one of three local venues; The Haycock Hotel in Wansford, Toft Country House Hotel and Greetham Valley Golf Club. If you haven't tried them before, we are sure you will find them perfect for enjoying both great food and great company. You may also discover on joining that you have a new friend just round the corner, whom you would like to travel with, many of our members share the driving.

Topics are varied month on month and are selected based on members' similar interests and thirst for knowledge. From calendar girls to local history, along with talented writers and singers, we are sure there is something to tempt your taste buds! We are offering you a chance to join us for lunch at the discounted member's price of £17 to see what is on offer. Lunches start at 12 for 12.30 and last 3 to 3.5 hours, and include a two-course meal and a speaker. Plenty of time to chat with other members and tasters like yourself and if you come away feeling full of both food and life then you can sign up for more. We also host informal coffee mornings for members at The William Cecil in Stamford.

Contact either Mary or Hazel and they will be delighted to tell you more.

**Mary Smith** 01476 552329

**Hazel Wood** 01780 753441

## Braunston News

Please keep Audrey in your prayers. We wish her a speedy recovery and the return of her friendly and dynamic presence among us.

### March Services

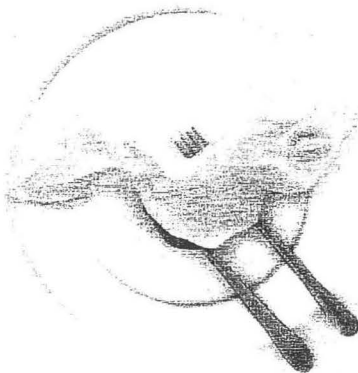
Sun 2nd	11.00am	Holy Communion
Sun 9 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am	Morning Praise
Sun 16 <sup>th</sup>	11,00am	Holy Communion
Sun 23rd	<b>No Service</b>	
Sun 30 <sup>th</sup>	09.45am	<b>Mothering Sunday Breakfast (See Poster)</b>

**Lent Groups:** There are many Lent Groups all over the Benefice, organised by Churches Together. They begin in the week beginning Monday March 10<sup>th</sup> and follow the York Course. If you want to be part of a group- The Braunston one is on Monday Evenings but you can join any group- please phone **Gail Rudge on 755570**

**Lent Charity Challenge!** We continue to support the work of "Water Aid" by our "little red box" collections from Lent to Easter. If you want to be a part of this effort the box will be in church every Sunday up to and including Easter Day.

Thank you for your support.

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Bi monthly coffee mornings are also held at the William Cecil in Stamford.

To see what is on the menu for the year ahead contact Mary or Hazel.

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## BROOKE NEWS

'February fill dyke' seems to have arrived early this year but in January! Thankfully, unlike many other unfortunate people we have not had to endure the terrible floods so often shown on the news and Brooke residents have only had to negotiate a flooded road now and then.

Some of you may remember Lucy and Denzil Newton OBE of Chestnut Farm, Braunston where they lived for many years. Denzil, aged 88years and married to Lucy for 57years, passed away last summer had served as a churchwarden at St Peter, Brooke from 1984 to 1988. He was a chartered surveyor, a country loving man, a keen huntsman and had been a Master of the Norfolk Beagles. He was knighted in the 1990 New Year's Honours List and moved to Norfolk shortly before retiring after ten years as the senior partner of Carter Jonas.

Denzil's family are to (or will have done by the time you read this) scatter his ashes in St Peter's churchyard. We are honoured that he chose to come back to Brooke.

The next PCC meeting will take place at 6 Tay Close, Oakham on Weds 26<sup>th</sup> February at 1.30pm.

A reminder, you will always find for sale in the church and made by parishioners delicious jams and marmalades, also recycled church candles coloured, perfumed and in various donated containers, with all proceeds from both going towards the upkeep of the church.

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On Saturday, 8<sup>th</sup> March 2014 at 7.30pm the very popular Curry and Quiz Night will be held in the Village Hall and all proceeds will go towards the Church Roof Fund. Tickets are £10 for Adults and £5 for Children. Please contact Geoffrey Graves on [gg.ats@btinternet.com](mailto:gg.ats@btinternet.com).

Hambleton's annual Spring Bridge Drive will be held at the Village Hall at 6pm on Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> March 2014 and will include Dinner and wine. Please contact *Celia Foulkes* on 722192 / [celia.foulkes@gmail.com](mailto:celia.foulkes@gmail.com) or *Miranda Hall* on 723576 for further details.

*Mrs Louise Everett*

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## LANGHAM NEWS

This is NOT a sob story but one of joy. Langham Church is disproportionately large for the size of the village and resources – a common complaint in many other churches. The size to heat is huge and expensive. Again a common story. Resources were so low, it was becoming impossible to do so, but an appeal for older pensioners to give their fuel allowance has allowed the church to be heated throughout the winter. Apart from the day the thunderstorm upset the timer!

Two of our parishioners have died.

**Joan Levison** – a faithful and much loved member of the congregation, Light Circle, WI and many other organisations died in Rutland Hospital. **Michael Burdett** (former village milkman) died after a prolonged illness. Our sympathy to Ruth and their son.

The small, but hardworking and committed choir is making progress and taking part in most Services. New members would be very welcome. Practices are on Tuesdays, 12 noon.

Plans for a shed to house the numerous items stored in every available space in the church are slowly going ahead. It will be good to have a tidy, more easily cleaned church. Some funds towards this will come from a charity art exhibition in July.

### Forthcoming Events

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| March 2 <sup>nd</sup>  | TEAM informal evening service 6.00 p.m.                      |
| March 16 <sup>th</sup> | Church at 4.00 – watch the notice boards!                    |
| March 22 <sup>nd</sup> | Jazz and Soul Band from Uppingham<br>7.30 p.m. in the church |
| March 23 <sup>rd</sup> | Annual Vestry/Annual General Meeting with HC 11.00 a.m.      |
| March 29 <sup>th</sup> | Lent Lunch in the Village Hall 12 – 2.00 p.m.                |
| March 30 <sup>th</sup> | Mothering Sunday 11.00 a.m.                                  |

### Other future dates for diaries

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|--------------------------|--|
| May 10 <sup>th</sup>     | Archway House Garden Café and Workshop |
| June 14 <sup>th</sup>    | Melton Male Voice Choir                |
| June 28/29 <sup>th</sup> | Feast Weekend                          |

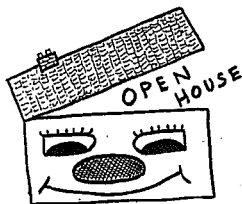


*Margaret Foot*



# OAKHAM NEWS

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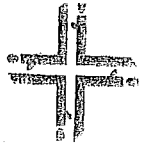
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and / or

7.30 p.m. Service

Coffee and biscuits afterwards

Speaker in the morning will be **Rev. Julia Dowding**, and the Leader **Mrs. Joan Burns**: in the evening, Speaker our **Rev. Janet Tebby**, Leader **Mrs. Gwen Fordham**.

### Luke 14. 15-24

**Lord you invite us – not some of us,  
all of us;  
not the good and righteous,  
all of us – unconditionally.**

**Lord we come –  
meeting you,  
meeting each other,  
accepting each other,  
unconditionally.**

In the Mothers' Union Prayer Book  
from the Centenary World Day of Prayer Service 1987.

*Christine Carline*  
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## MUSIC AT ALL SAINTS' OAKHAM

Oakham School Soloists for this month are:-

### March

5 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Amy Walker</i>	<i>Flute</i>
12 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Alva Muris</i>	<i>Violin</i>
19 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Casey Logue</i>	<i>Clarinet</i>
26 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Brass Quintet and Soloists</i>	



Then, during Oakham School holidays:

### April

2<sup>nd</sup> *Catmose College*

(then, soloists arranged by us on Wednesdays until Oakham School returns after Easter)

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### BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY ORGAN RECITALS

On Easter Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> April, we are looking forward to hearing ***Roxanne Summerfield***, Assistant Organist at St. James the Greater, Leicester (recommended by Hazel Carlin!)

On May Day, 5<sup>th</sup> May, ***Shanna Hart*** (Organ Scholar Elect at Selwyn College, Cambridge) will play for us. We heard Shanna play at the Ketton Carol Service, with the Cantus Choir and Miranda Heldt, Soprano.

If you have a recommendation, please let us know.

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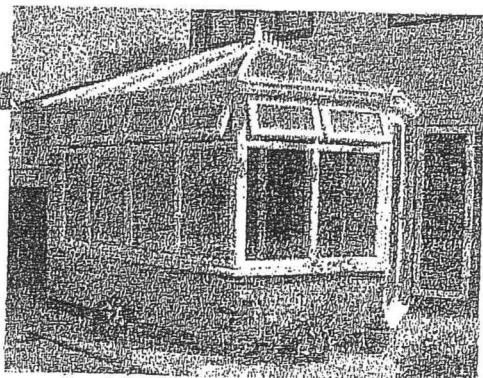
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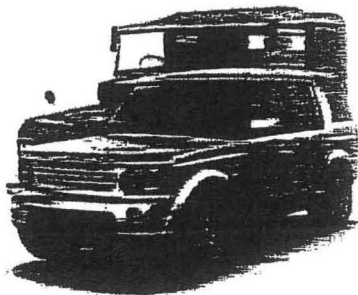


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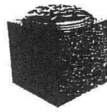
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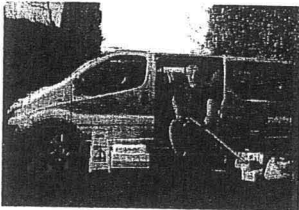
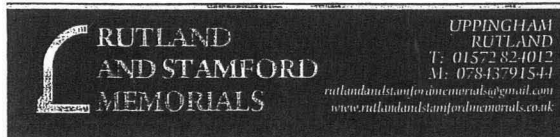
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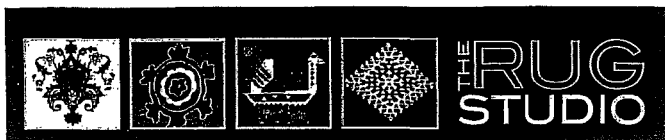


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**Changes to, or Highlights of, Benefice Service Pattern This Month**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Church</b>	<b>Time</b>	
2	St Peter & St Paul Lan.	6.00	Team, informal Evensong
16	All Saints Oakham	10.30	Holy Communion not Family Communion
23	St Peter & St Paul Lan.	11.00	Holy Communion and APCM.
23	All Saints Braunston	4.00	<b>No Service</b>
30	St Peter & St Paul, M.O.	9.00	Mothering Sunday Service
30	All Saints Braunston	9.45	Mothering Sunday Breakfast Village Hall
30	All Saints Oakham	10.30	Family Communion
30	St Andrew Whissendine	11.00	Mothering Sunday Service
30	St Mary Ashwell	11.00	Mothering Sunday Service
30	St Peter & St Paul Lang.	11.00	Mothering Sunday Service
30	All Saints Oakham	3.00	Holy Baptism
30	Holy Trinity Teigh	6.00	Evensong

Ed.Note: I am happy to include this monthly information in the magazine **But I can only include it if I am told about it on or before the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month.**

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Reg.	Date		
Mon.	t.t.o	2.00pm	Pram and Toddler Service All Saints Oakham
Tues		10,00am	Holy Communion All Saints Oakham
Wed		12 00	Service of Healing: Trinity Chapel (1st Wed. only)
		1.30pm	Lunchtime Concert. All Saints Oakham.
Thur	t.t.o.	10.00am	Tiny Tots. All Saints Oakham
		12.15pm	CTO Prayer Meeting Trinity Chapel All Saints
Fri		10.00am	Holy Communion All Saints Oakham
Mar	1 <sup>st</sup>		<b>St David's Day</b>
		9.30am	<b>Bishop's Bible Day: Full details in Feb. Mag Essential to pre-book</b>
Sun	2 <sup>nd</sup>		<b>Sunday next before Lent</b>
Wed	5 <sup>th</sup>		<b>Ash Wednesday</b>
Sat	8 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Curry and Quiz Night: Village Hall Hambleton. Contact Geoffrey Graves(gg.ats@btinternet.com)
Sun	9 <sup>th</sup>		<b>Lent 1.</b>
Mon	10 <sup>th</sup>		Churches Together Lent Courses begin: See lists and Notices in church to select a group to join
Thur	13 <sup>th</sup>	2.15pm	Mothers' Union Communion All Saints Oakham
	15 <sup>th</sup>		<b>Last Day for publication in April Issue</b>
Sun	16 <sup>th</sup>		<b>Lent 2</b>
Mon	17 <sup>th</sup>		<b>St Patrick's Day</b>
Sat	22 <sup>nd</sup>	7.30pm	Jazz and Soul Band. St Peter and St Paul Langham
Sun	23 <sup>rd</sup>		<b>Lent 3</b>
Tue	25 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	<b>The Annunciation (Lady Day)</b>
Wed	26 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Spring Bridge Drive Hambleton Village Hall Contact Miranda Hall(723576); Celia Foulkes(722192)
Sat	29 <sup>th</sup>		Clocks go forward 1 hour to-night: B.S.T begins to-morrow
Sat	29 <sup>th</sup>	12.00	Lent Lunch Langham Village Hall
Sun	30 <sup>th</sup>		<b>Lent 4: Mothering Sunday:</b> See church notices for special services and times.
Sun	30 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	<b>Mothering Sunday Breakfast. Braunston(See poster Insi</b> Please give notice you are coming (Phone Gail 755570

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Church	Week	8am	<sup>1</sup> 9:00am <sup>2</sup> 9:15am	<sup>1</sup> 10:30am <sup>2</sup> 11:00am	4:00pm	6:00pm
Oakham	1,2,4	HC(T)		<sup>1</sup> HC		ES
	3	HC(T)		<sup>1</sup> FSB/FC*		
Langham	1					WWR
	2,4			<sup>2</sup> HC		
	3				C@4	
Braunston	1,3			<sup>2</sup> HC		
	2			<sup>2</sup> MA		
	4				C@4	
Brooke	1,3					ES
	2	HC(B)				
	4	HC				
Hambleton	2,4		<sup>2</sup> HC(T)			
Egleton	1,3		<sup>2</sup> HC(T)			
Whissendine	1,3,4			<sup>2</sup> HC		
	2	HC(B)		<sup>2</sup> FS		
Teigh	1		<sup>1</sup> MA			
	2		<sup>1</sup> HC(B)**			
	3					ES
	4		<sup>1</sup> HC(B)			
Ashwell	1					ES
	2		<sup>1</sup> HC(B)**			
	3			<sup>2</sup> FS		
	4			<sup>2</sup> HC		
Market Overton	1,4		<sup>1</sup> HC			
	2					ES
	3		<sup>1</sup> FS			

HC – Holy Communion (Common Worship Contemporary Language)

HC(T) – Holy Communion (Common Worship Traditional Language)

HC(B) – Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)

FS/FSB – Family Service/Family Service with Baptism (not Communion)

C@4 – Church@4 (For all ages, with activities, simple worship & food)

MA/ES – Matins/Evensong

WWR – Word, Worship & Response (Contemporary worship)

\* FSB even months / FC odd months with Baptism at 12:15pm

\*\* at Teigh in neven months / at Ashwell in odd months

Fifth Sundays – usually Team Communion at one of the Churches (see the weekly pewsheet or website for details – [www.oakhamteam.org.uk](http://www.oakhamteam.org.uk))