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# Good News: From the Oakham Group



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Michael Hinman writes:

Apart from the maize and sugar beet, this year's harvest ought by now to be "safely gathered in," and congregations have sung "Come ye thankful people, come". Round here, the rape seed and winter-sown grains were harvested by late August, and of course the hay was mown well before then.

The timing of the harvest depends on what the weather has been doing over the months since sowing, but on the whole nature evens out its wet and dry spells over the growing season. There are years when things are up to a month behindhand, but the farmer has the melancholy compensation that his neighbours are in the same plight. Nonetheless, the farmer, the grain merchant and the landowner will each be keeping a weather eye out for when to harvest; "fair waved the golden corn," and it is beautiful to behold, but it is always a relief for those involved when it has been "safely gathered in."

Overall, the timing of harvest is not so different from what it was fifty years ago, but what is harvested has changed. Strains of wheat and barley continue to be developed to produce higher yields and the cereals' stalks are shorter so that they are less buffeted by storms. Stubble may no longer be burned. Hay and silage are still grown for animal feed but maize is now used a lot in feed-mixtures. The decades when butter was under suspicion played their part in promotion of oil seed rape, but its increase was essentially thanks to subsidies. Grubbing-up of hedgerows is largely a thing of the past, but the hedges have become higher. Machinery is bigger and manufactured internationally for a global market. Combines can harvest during both day and night.

The old harvest hymns refer to Jesus' own use of the harvest as an analogy for our lives, here and hereafter: "We ourselves are God's own field, Fruit unto his praise to yield" when we are gathered in at our lives' ends. However, we should recognise that we of this generation are not the same people as we were fifty years ago (if we were around then) and that we are all different from how people were fifty years ago who were the same age then as we are now. Like farming, society as a whole has been subject to enormous technological change, never mind social change. Thinking only of the Church of England, fifty years ago it was happy to have a woman as its Supreme Governor in the person of the Queen - but women priests?

There were not even any female lay readers until 1969, but now the prospect of a woman as Archbishop of Canterbury is not impossible, even though some would object to it on theological grounds.

So we don't start from the same place as used to be the case. Fifty years ago, a reforming Home Secretary could claim that "The permissive society is the civilised society," but the majority of the population would probably not have agreed with him: regarding relationships and morality the majority nowadays probably would. How should Christians react to current moral dilemmas with compassion and yet be faithful to the Bible? If "We ourselves are God's own field, Fruit unto his praise to yield," we need to let God earth us in reality, be sustained through reading of the Bible and watered by the Holy Spirit so that we produce a harvest of righteousness that is fit for the times that we live in.

Michael Hinman  
Reader

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## Oakham and Braunston Mothers' Union

The Reverend Dominic Coad kindly agreed to take part in a "Question and Answer" session at the MU in September.

As Dominic is due to join a team of parishes in the Diocese of Newcastle at the end of November, the first question was "Can you tell us about St. Bedes?"

Between 25 and 30 people attend St. Bedes on a Sunday. This includes 4 or 5 children. Four Iranian refugees have just joined the congregation. Services are conducted in a broadly Catholic way of worship. Dominic will try to set up a Family Service structure. The Vicarage is an Edwardian house and Dominic's neighbours will be Muslims. The old Victorian terraces of Benwell now house many Eastern Europeans.

Various community projects will make up about half of Dominic's ministry. The largest food bank in the country runs out of St. Bedes Church Hall. The director, Ken Loach, has recently made a film about the area. The North Benwell Youth Project is run by a full time Youth Worker, working with Eastern European families. A very successful scheme teaches girls to sew. They become proficient enough at this to make, or to renovate their Prom dresses. A Drop-in centre is open every day.

Asian immigrants have set up shops in West Road. This is a well settled minority community, and proves much possibility for Inter-Faith work. A well-established annual March for Peace stops at all the local places of worship.

It is most fortunate that Dominic's wife Frances has considerable experience of dialogue between Christians, Muslims and Jews.

Then, there is also Benwell Hill Cricket Club -----

The Vicar's team consists of 4 churches – St. John, St. Bedes, Old Benwell and St. Margarets Scotswood, and there are 4 clergy.

Dominic was asked what led him to go into ordination. He had been heavily involved in Church as a teenager and decided to study theology at University. He then wondered what to do, on finishing his Doctorate. During his daily prayer time, he prayed for guidance. He did not

have a dramatic call into the ministry, but the discipline of being open to God kept him focussed. He had various leadership roles, e.g. leading a church choir in Cambridge, and he was lay pastoral assistant in a College Chapel. Dominic firmly believes in walking the paths of life, together with God, and trying to work out what's what, on the way.

When asked if he still liked to try out cake recipes, as seen on television, Dominic was able to assure us that he's "still baking".

Then came the question as to how best we might reconcile theology with science. Dominic has concluded that these two disciplines are essentially different, but they can exist, side by side.

Finally, Dominic was asked to describe the three most valuable experiences he had had, during his time in Oakham. He cited the first as developing confidence. This has come about through being organised, in his spiritual, his vocational, and his prayer life. Dominic seeks to weave all the practical things into spirituality. Secondly he rated being open – vulnerable. This takes courage. One needs courage in order to "be in charge", and to lead a congregation. Finally, Dominic was grateful to have the experience of a deepening conviction about what the church is for, whilst being aware of the current huge emphasis on encouraging numerical growth. Dominic sees the church as Christ's presence in whatever community it finds itself. The church is about servicing that community. And we were reminded that Christ did what He did, in weakness.

When the vote of thanks was passed, Dominic's talk was described as "heartening". We wish him well as he leaves us, after what have obviously been four and a half very pleasant, and very productive years.

Our next meeting is The Quiet Morning, at Uppingham.

*Helen Bush*

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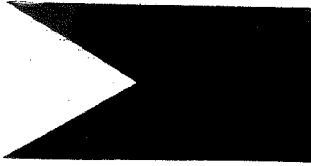
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on Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> March, 2017

*He comes to us as One unknown, without a name,  
As of old by the lakeside, he came to those who knew him not.  
He speaks to us the same word: Follow thou me!"  
and sets us to the tasks, which he has to fulfil for our time.  
He commands. And to those who obey him whether they be wise or simple,  
He will reveal Himself in the toils, the conflicts, the sufferings,  
which they shall pass through in His fellowship; and, as an ineffable mystery,  
they shall learn in their own experience, Who He is.*

**Albert Schweitzer**

## **Rt Revd John Holbrook, Bishop of Brixworth writes**

### **“Be still and know that I am God” (Psalm 46.10)**

This year’s Greenbelt Festival, held in August in the beautiful grounds of Boughton House near Kettering, Canon Mark Oakley from St Paul’s Cathedral told a lovely story about meeting a shepherd whilst on a walk in Shropshire. He asked him about his crook, upon which bishops’ croziers are modelled.

“Do you really use the curved bit to hook the sheep and bring them into line?”  
The shepherd replied;

“No. What I do is plant the crook in the ground. I lean upon the curved part and my aim is to stand still enough for the sheep to come to me”.

Canon Oakley commented that he’d like to tell that story to lots of bishops!

Being still is a challenge for many of us, not just bishops. There is huge pressure in a very busy world for the Church to be equally busy. But what many people are looking for is space to be still, space to reflect, to meet with others at greater depth and be open to the possibility of meeting with God. Such a longing is well expressed in this poem found at St Mary’s Parish Church in the grounds of Portchester Castle;

*If this is not a place where  
My spirit can take wing...  
Where do I go to fly?*

*If this is not a place where  
My tears are understood...  
Where do I go to cry?*

*If this is not a place where  
Feelings can be heard...  
Where do I go to speak?*

*If this is not a place where  
You’ll accept me as I am...  
Where do I go to be?*

I pray that the unknown author of that prayer poem and many others may find our churches to be places where they can be understood, heard and accepted and their spirits may fly. May we all also know Christ the Good Shepherd in the stillness and be drawn close to him.

+John

+  Ed Brixwood

### **Bold vision for education launched at General Synod**

The largest single provider of schools and academies in England has today launched a bold and ambitious vision for education at General Synod. The Church of England educates 1 million pupils in 4700 schools and has plans to open another 125 schools in the next five years. Speaking at Synod, the lead Bishop for education, Stephen Conway, Bishop of Ely, said the vision will equip the Church in the current wider education framework:

‘With the opportunity to shape and enhance our provision and to influence the debate about what education is for; to open new schools and develop existing schools; and to provide radically new approaches to how we function as a movement for education and train teachers and leaders to share that vision’.

The Vision was developed by a theological reference group, chaired by Professor David Ford, Regius Professor of Divinity Emeritus at Cambridge University following widespread consultation.

The Church of England Vision for Education embraces the spiritual, physical, intellectual, emotional, moral and social development of children and young people. It offers a vision of human flourishing for all, one that embraces excellence and academic rigour, but sets them in a wider framework. This is worked out theologically and educationally through four basic elements which permeate the vision: wisdom, hope, community and dignity.

The Rev Nigel Genders, Chief Education Officer for the Church of England said: ‘The need to set out our stall in an increasingly fragmented educational scene and where wellbeing of young people is of national concern is clear. Through this vision pupils, parents, new and existing schools and teachers will know how aspiring we are for them and how we will best support them in future years.’ The vision, in line with the Church of England’s role as the established Church, is for the common good of the whole community and its environment, whether national, regional or local.

The new Church of England Foundation for Educational Leadership which opens in the Autumn will be underpinned by this vision and will provide networks, training and research to equip leaders to continue play a vital role in education in this new phase of the Church of England's involvement in education.

General Synod overwhelmingly welcomed the report following a debate in which Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury, expressed his support, describing the vision as 'immensely exciting' and 'outward looking'.

### **Protective security advice issued to Christian places of worship**

While there is no specific intelligence relating to attacks against the Christian community in the UK, police are urging the community to be alert but not alarmed. Deputy Assistant Commissioner Neil Basu said:

"There is no specific intelligence relating to attacks against the Christian community in the UK. However, as we have seen, Daesh and other terrorist groups have targeted Christian as well as Jewish and other faith groups in the West and beyond.

"Following recent events in France, we are reiterating our protective security advice to Christian places of worship and have circulated specific advice today. We are also taking this opportunity to remind them to review their security arrangements as a precaution. This is part of our ongoing work with faith organisations, as well as other sectors, to help ensure the safety and security of their staff, visitors and members. While the threat from terrorism remains unchanged at severe we urge the public to be vigilant. Be alert and not alarmed and report any suspicious activity via the anti-Terrorist Hotline on 0800 789321. In an emergency always dial 999.

"The UK police service is working tirelessly with our partners to confront the threat and protect all our communities. All of our safety and security advice is available at the National Counter Terrorism Security Office website- [www.gov.uk/nactso](http://www.gov.uk/nactso)."

Churches are encouraged to forge close links with local police commanders who will be able to advise on sensible safety precautions.

## Archbishop Justin at Greenbelt

One of the brilliant things that happens at a Christian festival is the amazing speakers that you've only just read about – in person. The Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby was there talking about how he ended up a priest, and an Archbishop. He was interviewed by the vicar of Gobblebox, cheery and interesting Kate Bottley in the Big Top.

After talking about what she should call him – at one point she suggested “Boss”, she asked him how he ended up as a priest. Justin told of his reluctant journey to ordination.

In his interview with his Bishop– before his BAP (Bishop's Advisory Panel), Justin said his bishop said He was certain that I was not cut out for ministry. In fact, he said that “I wouldn't have much of a future in the church.”

This got a huge laugh. But the thing that was very significant was that Justin said he often felt like a fraud. He said that the fact that he was Archbishop made him “seriously question the infallibility of God.”

Another big laugh from the crowd.

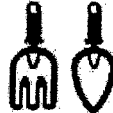
He went on to say that it was a good place to be, when you get to the end of yourself – when you realise that what you have is not enough, and the only way that you can accomplish what God wants you to do is by Him. You can't come in trusting your ability at all.

It is good to remember that even the Archbishop has doubts, he worries, as he said in his talk, about things that beset the Church.

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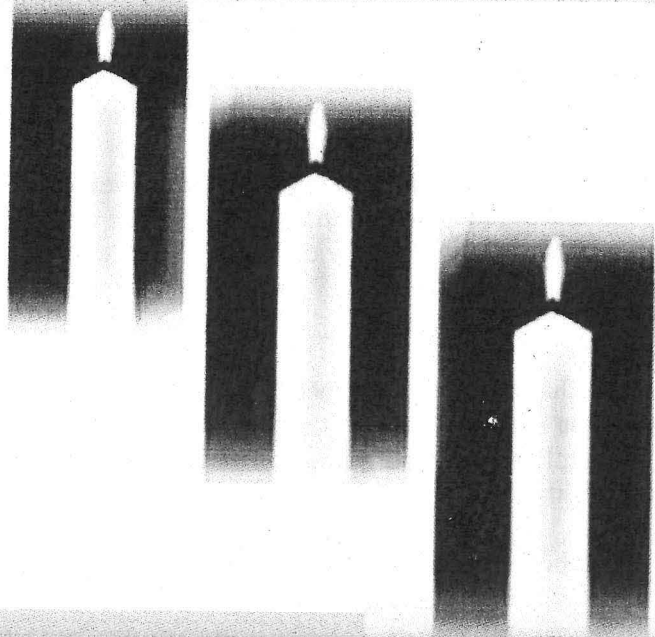
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# *Memories*



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**Memories', Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 4pm at All Saints, Braunston.**

This will be a service of quietness and reflection in memory of those we have known and loved and for peace in our world. Please come, bringing the candle we will have delivered to you if you live in Braunston. Everyone is welcome; there will be more candles in church for those who haven't been given one already.

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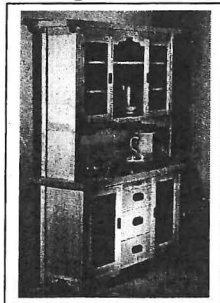
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In last month's issue of Good News acknowledgement was properly made of the commendation of the mediaeval Scratchdials which adorn the inner Walls of St. Edmund's Church. Our thanks then were due to the Rutland Living Magazine. By now, we have further reason to be truly thankful; this month to the Rutland Bellringers whose newsletter selects, as Church of the Month, St. Edmund's, Egleton.

Not surprisingly, the Bellringers [Teams of Them!] do not profess real interest in our ONE BELL, but they do highlight St. Edmund's architectural merits; "the interior of the church and the carving over the Norman South Porch and Chancel Arch...all passing visitors must take time to see". This recognition demands our Parish's appreciation and widespread attention!

So we have further, sound reason to employ our loyal team of parishioners who open the Church every morning – and close it each evening – so as to extend cordial invitation to each of St. Edmund's visitors: and before the Service – at 9.15 a.m. on First & Third Sundays monthly – you will hear the melodious tone of that Single Bell endorsing our ever-ready welcome.

But, as it happens, the Bell will ring only IN THE EVENING of October 2<sup>nd</sup>, bidding 'Come ye thankful people, come, raise the song of Harvest Home'.

The Harvest Festival Thanksgiving Service – the one service of the day – is to begin at 5.00 p.m. Following the worship the challenging Auction of the Harvest Gifts ensues. Then, suitably exhilarated, there are ample delights to anticipate as the Harvest Home Supper is served.

Festival evening of blessed, thanksgiving day;  
Time for assembly when Saint Edmund's folk may,  
With bright intention, as single as 'tis sound,  
Bring God lavish praise, on our harvest home ground!

*Nevil Ashton*





## HAMBLETON NEWS

On Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> September the Wedding Service of *Sally Butt* and *John Emerson* was taken by *Canon Lee Francis-Dehqani* with *Kevin Slingsby* on the organ. The church bells were rung for the Wedding by *Araminta Mathias* and her team and could be heard all over the village which was really lovely and very special to hear on a weekday.

On Saturday, 10<sup>th</sup> September *Canon Lee Francis-Dehqani* officiated at the Baptism of *Sophie Elizabeth Duffurn*. Her Parents *James* and *Sarah* were married in St Andrew's in 2012 and the family now live in Switzerland. It was wonderful to hear the joyous music of a Piper before and after the Service.

At 5pm on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October there will be a Parish Meeting in the Village Hall.

At 5pm on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October, Hambleton village will be celebrating our Annual Harvest Festival followed by a chicken pie supper and Auction at the Village Hall in aid of the Church Roof Repair Fund.

*Mrs Louise Everett*

## Langham News

Saturday October 1<sup>st</sup> the Uppingham Jazz band will be giving a concert at 7.30p.m. £10. They are really excellent and are back by popular demand.

October 9<sup>th</sup> 11.00a.m., is the Harvest Festival followed by lunch in the Village Hall. This is open to any who would like to come. £7.50.

October 29<sup>th</sup> at 7.30 there is to be a Quiz Evening, which will include food, in the Village Hall

The next main event is the Christmas Tree Festival December 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup>. Refreshments will be served throughout both days. Also there will be live entertainment most of the time provided by instrumentalists, the school, the church choir and others. More details in the next magazine.

This past month we have laid Hilary Welch's ashes in the churchyard and are looking forward to the Pet Service.



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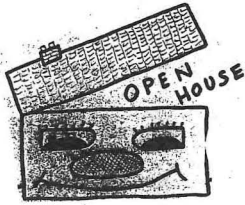
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*"We welcome them into the fellowship of the church family"*

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19<sup>th</sup> *Penny Campling* *Piano*

26<sup>th</sup> *Leilani Barratt* *Mezzo-Soprano*  
*Keith Harris* *Piano*

Lunchtime Recitals are at 1.30 p.m. All welcome.

Retiring collection for Church Funds. We look forward to seeing you.

N.B. You may like to know that there will be another recital by our Methodist Friends in Northgate. *Neville Favell* and *Jan Williams*, piano, on Saturday, 15<sup>th</sup> October, at 11 a.m. As usual, this is in aid of the Likoma Trust. Coffee from 10 a.m.

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## SUNSHINE, SAXONS AND SONGS OF EVENING IN SUFFOLK

Early morning on one of the first days of proper summer this year, All Saints Friends and Mothers Union, boarded a fully loaded coach on the last day of June, and headed south east to Bury St Edmunds. The list of goodies to see and do there was long, diverse and remarkable. This city has the WOW factor, and most of us were saying WOW intermittently the whole day.

To start, we passed the Greene King Brewery, which earlier had swallowed up our local Ruddles Brewery in Langham. Fortunately we didn't lose anyone in there as it was mid-morning, and coffee with a guided tour was on offer in the exquisite and unique Regency Playhouse theatre bar. With our National Trust membership tickets checked, we were given small group guided tours of this historic bijou working theatre, from the stalls to the gallery, to stage and underneath. WOW.

Out into the sunshine again we soaked up the atmosphere of the central part of the city and the Abbey Gate leading to the glorious extensive Abbey gardens on which originally the Abbey of St Edmund once stood. It was seriously endowed by pilgrims from all over the world from Saxon to medieval times. St Edmund was made a martyr as he was slaughtered by the invading Danes in 869

This is more than a historic city, it has made history. Legend has it that the Norman barons responsible for drafting the Magna Carta, met at the shrine of St Edmund in 1214 to swear an oath that they would force King John to accept what was in their Charter. This is commemorated in the City's motto as being the "cradle of the law" We looked about us for a few upright and worthy Barons but sadly did not find any that afternoon.

However some of us achieved some modern shopping in the thousand year old Buttermarket and Cornhill. Others enjoyed sitting in the sunshine having lunch at the top of the square near the Abbey Gate, people watching. Bliss.

Towards the middle of the afternoon, we assembled in the Chapter House restaurant within the Cloisters of the Cathedral of St Edmundsbury, a little further down the road from the Abbey Gate. A welcome and refreshing cream tea was served. More bliss.

The highlight of our day nonetheless was to be a guided tour of the interesting and recently finished cathedral. It was originally a Parish Church with origins in the 12th Century, but surprisingly, a new nave, long and elegant was built in the 16th century. Much later Sir Gilbert Scott added his distinctive Victorian gothic style, with a new Chancel and interior furnishings around 1865.

We walked the full length of the beautiful and elegant nave, which was lit quietly by the late afternoon sun. A moment of walking more, then a turn, into the transept which, by total contrast, burst into a riot of colour, reds blues and gold, all light and modernity, situated underneath the new millennium, 2005, tower. Looking around and then upward, everyone gasped. WOW.

The final and crowning glory of the day as ever, was being made warmly welcome within the Sung Evensong service, and being seated in the choir stalls, underneath the beautiful and colourful roof of the tower. We may quote from a description of the Cathedral written by the present Dean

“wherever you look there is something to excite the eye and touch the soul. A shaft of light suggests hope, a bright colour offers joy, a corner of stillness offers hope.” Our day was complete.

A lovely day Thanks be to God.

Janet Higgins

## **Friendly Gathering**

The Friends Coffee morning in the Church Hall on Friday 2nd September was a great success. Coffee or tea and cake was the name of the game. Patsy and Janet worked hard at advertising and making the preparations. There was a large selection of delicious cakes from which to choose in some cases making the necessity to have a second piece! In return a donation could be made to Rainbows Children's Hospice of Loughborough.

To gain more understanding of the work of the hospice an Ambassador came and circulated the tables explaining what Rainbows does. The result to date is an amazing £253 raised which will be presented on Thursday 3rd November at The Annual Tide Lunch when a Rainbows Ambassador will be present.

Thanks go to all who contributed and to all who attended making an excellent social occasion and raising an admirable amount of money to present to a very worthwhile and much needed charity.

Report by Beryl Kirtland



Day.	Date		October
<b>Oct</b>			
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 All Saints. (1st Wed. only)
		1.30pm	Lunchtime Concert. All Saints Oakham.
Thur	t.t.o.	10.00am	Tiny Tots. All Saints Oakham
		12.15pm	Evangelical Prayer Meeting All Saints Oakham
Fri		10.00am	Holy Communion All Saints Oakham
Sat	1 <sup>st</sup>	7.00pm	<b>Jazz and Soul Band: St Peter and St Paul Langham.</b>
Sun	2 <sup>nd</sup> .	5.00pm	Parish Meeting Hambleton Village Hall.
Sun		All day 11.00am 3.00pm 5.00pm 6.00pm	<b>Trinity 19</b> <b>All Saints Oakham:</b> Harvest Festival Services <b>St Andrew Whissendine:</b> Harvest Festival <b>Pet Service St Peter and St Paul Langham</b> <b>St Edmunds Egleton:</b> Harvest Festival <b>St Mary Ashwell Harvest Festival</b>
Mon	3 <sup>rd</sup>	9.30am 7.30pm	<b>C of E School Harvest Service All Saints Oakham</b> <b>All Saints Oakham PCC Mayhew Room</b>
Tues	4 <sup>th</sup>	7.00pm	<b>P.D.C. F. Rehearsal. St Andrew Whissendine</b>
Thur	6 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Rutland Theological Society Oakham Methodist Church <b>Richard Adams: "When is a Parable not a Parable"</b>
Sat	8 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Coffee Morning. St Peter and St Paul Market Overton
Sun	9 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am 5.00pm	<b>Trinity 20: St Peter and St Paul Langham Harvest Festival</b> St Andrews Hambleton Harvest Festival Supper and Auction
Mon	10 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Home Group 6 Horn Close Oakham (722061)
Tues	11 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	<b>Mothers' Union Quiet Morning Uppingham.</b>
Sat	15 <sup>th</sup>	5.30pm	Peterborough Diocesan Choral Festival: Cathedral
Sun	16 <sup>th</sup>		<b>Trinity 21</b>
Tues	18 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	<b>St Luke. Open House: 20 Uppingham Road</b>
Sat	22 <sup>nd</sup>	12.00	<b>Memorial Garden Planting All Saints Oakham</b>
Sun	23 <sup>rd</sup>	4.00pm	<b>Last Sunday after Trinity</b> <b>"Memories".</b> Service of Reflection. All Saints Braunston
Mon	24 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Christian Faith, Q and A Session. 84 Main St. Whissendine
Fri	28 <sup>th</sup>		<b>St Simon and St Jude</b>
Sat	29 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	<b>Quiz Night Langham Village Hall</b>

Sun	30 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	<b>Joint Team Service at All Saints Oakham. Farewell to Dominic and Frances.</b>
	Har		<b>Halloween</b>
<b>Nov</b>			
Tues	1 <sup>st</sup>		<b>All Saints Day</b>
Wed	2 <sup>nd</sup>		<b>All Souls Day</b>
Thur	3 <sup>rd</sup>		<b>Friends' Tide Lunch Whitwell Harbour Bar Speaker: An Ambassador from Rainbows Hospice</b>

## Team Service Patterns and Times

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> SW		
	4				SS	
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***	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***	ES***
	3		<sup>1</sup> BP			

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)

BP – Breakfast Praise (informal worship)

SW – Sunday Worship (informal worship)

SS – Sing Sunday (informal worship with emphasis on music)

MA/ES – Matins/Evensong

WWR – Word, Worship & Response (contemporary worship)

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

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

\*\*\* 4:00pm in Summer months / 6:00pm in Winter months

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

