

Oakham  
Team  
Ministry

All Saints Oakham

# Welcome to ***All Saints'*** Parish Church



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## Parish Communion

The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity  
Sunday 11 August 2013  
10:30am

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The Team Office is staffed on Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday 9am- 1pm, Thursdays 11am-3pm and Fridays by email. Notices for inclusion in the pew sheet should arrive by Wednesday at 11 am.

For full details of services and forthcoming events please visit our website at [www.oakhamteam.org.uk](http://www.oakhamteam.org.uk)

## Communications Working Group

The Communications Working Group is looking at all aspects of communication at All Saints and in the wider Team Ministry. This is chaired by Kevin Slingsby, and other members are Kevin Andrews, David Dyer, Beryl Kirtland, Victor Hall, Millie Long, Stewart Long, John Tomalin.

One area we have started to look at is the pewsheets and hymn sheets, and we are trialling this new combined sheet from today at Oakham - if you have any comments about it please speak to a member of the group.

## Opening Hymn

*The last two lines of each verse are repeated.*

- 1 And can it be that I should gain  
    an interest in the Saviour's blood?  
Died he for me, who caused his pain?  
    For me, who him to death pursued?  
Amazing love! How can it be  
    that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?
- 2 'Tis mystery all! the Immortal dies!  
    Who can explore his strange design?  
In vain the first-born seraph tries  
    to sound the depths of love divine.  
'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore,  
    let angel minds inquire no more.
- 3 He left his Father's throne above –  
    so free, so infinite his grace –  
emptied himself of all but love,  
    and bled for Adam's helpless race.  
'Tis mercy all, immense and free;  
    for, O my God, it found out me!
- 4 Long my imprisoned spirit lay  
    fast bound in sin and nature's night;  
thine eye diffused a quickening ray;  
    I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;  
my chains fell off, my heart was free,  
    I rose, went forth, and followed thee.
- 5 No condemnation now I dread;  
    Jesus, and all in him, is mine!  
Alive in him, my living Head,  
    and clothed in righteousness divine,  
bold I approach the eternal throne,  
    and claim the crown, through Christ my own.

*Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)*

*Music: Sagina, from The Bouquet, 1825, Thomas Campbell (1800-1876)*

*(Ancient & Modern – 588)*

## Gloria

- 1 Glory be to God in heaven,  
and to all on earth, his peace;  
Lord and Father, King in glory,  
gifts of praise in us release,  
so our worship and thanksgiving  
from our hearts will never cease.
- 2 Christ incarnate, sent by Father  
to redeem, renew, restore;  
risen Lamb, in glory seated,  
hear our prayers, Lord, we implore.  
Now to Father, Son and Spirit  
be all glory evermore.

*Words: John Richards (1843-1901)*

*Music: Regent Square, Henry Thomas Smart (1813-1879)*

*(Mission Praise – 175)*

## Collect

O God, you declare your almighty power  
most chiefly in showing mercy and pity:  
mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace,  
that we, running the way of your commandments,  
may receive your gracious promises,  
and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

## Old Testament Reading – Genesis 15.1-6

The word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, 'Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.' But Abram said, 'O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?' And Abram said, 'You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.' But the word of the Lord came to him, 'This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.' He brought him outside and said, 'Look towards heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.' Then he said to him, 'So shall your descendants be.' And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

## New Testament Reading – Hebrews 11.1-3,8-16

Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible. By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has

foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, ‘as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.’ All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

### Gradual Hymn

- 1 Ye servants of the Lord,  
each in his office wait,  
observant of his heavenly word,  
and watchful at his gate.
- 2 Let all your lamps be bright,  
and trim the golden flame;  
gird up your loins as in his sight,  
for awful is his name.
- 3 Watch! ‘tis your Lord’s command,  
and while we speak, he’s near;  
mark the first signal of his hand,  
and ready all appear.
- 4 O happy servant he  
in such a posture found!  
he shall his Lord with rapture see,  
and be with honour crowned.
- 5 Christ shall the banquet spread  
with his own royal hand,  
and raise that faithful servant’s head  
amid the angelic band.

*Words: Philip Doddridge (1702-1751)*

*Music: Narenza, from Catholicum Hymnologium Germanicum 1584 (J Leisentritt),  
adapted William Henry Havergal (1793-1870)*

### Gospel Reading – Luke 12.32-40

‘Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. ‘Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. ‘But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he\* would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.’

## Offertory Hymn

- 1 Jerusalem the golden,  
with milk and honey blest,  
beneath thy contemplation  
sink heart and voice opprest.  
I know not, O I know not  
what joys await us there,  
what radiancy of glory,  
what bliss beyond compare.
- 2 They stand, those halls of Zion,  
conjubilant with song,  
and bright with many an angel,  
and all the martyr throng;  
the Prince is ever with them,  
the daylight is serene;  
the pastures of the blessed  
are decked in glorious sheen.
- 3 There is the throne of David;  
and there, from care released,  
the shout of them that triumph,  
the song of them that feast;  
and they, who with their leader  
have conquered in the fight,  
for ever and for ever  
are clad in robes of white.
- 4 Oh, sweet and blessed country,  
the home of God's elect!  
Oh, sweet and blessed country,  
that eager hearts expect!  
Jesu, in mercy bring us  
to that dear land of rest;  
who art, with God the Father  
and Spirit, ever blest.

*Words: Urbs Sion aurea, Bernard of Cluny (12th century), tr John Mason Neale (1919-1866)*  
*Music: Ewing, Alexander Ewing (1830-1895)*  
*(Ancient & Modern – 683)*

## Communion Anthem

Christ is our cornerstone, on Him alone we build;  
with His true saints alone the courts of Heav'n are filled;  
on His great love our hopes we place of present grace and joys above.

O then with hymns of praise these hallowed courts shall ring;  
our voices we will raise the Three in One to sing;  
and thus pro-claim in joyful song both loud and long, that glorious name.

Here may we gain from Heav'n, the grace which we implore;  
and may that grace, once giv'n, be with us evermore;  
until that day when all the blest to endless rest are called away.

*from New Parish Psalms by Gregory Wilbur, Cornerstone Presbyterian Church*

## Post Communion Prayer

Lord of all mercy,  
we your faithful people have celebrated that one true sacrifice  
which takes away our sins and brings pardon and peace:  
by our communion keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel  
and preserve us from all sin;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Final Hymn

- 1 Guide me, O thou great Redeemer,  
pilgrim though this barren land;  
I am weak, but thou art mighty;  
hold me with thy powerful hand;  
Bread of heaven,  
feed me now and evermore.
- 2 Open now the crystal fountain,  
whence the healing stream doth flow;  
let the fiery cloudy pillar  
lead me all my journey through;  
strong deliverer,  
be thou still my strength and shield.
- 3 When I tread the verge of Jordan,  
bid my anxious fears subside;  
death of death, and hell's destruction,  
land me safe on Canaan's side;  
songs of praises,  
I will ever give to thee.

Words: Arghwydd, arwain trwy'r anialwch, William Williams (1717-1791), tr Peter Williams (1727-1796)  
Music: Cwm Rhondda, John Hughes (1872-1932) (Ancient & Modern – 652)

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## Today

### 12:30-2:30pm: Ashwell Open House and Bring and Share Lunch.

This will be held at The Roost, Water Lane Ashwell. All welcome for lunch, with activities for young at heart! For more details, offers of food etc do contact Joy (759204)

## The Coming Week

### Tuesday 13 August – 10am-12pm: Open House

All welcome to call in at the home of Audrey and Michael Hardy, 14 Dean's St, Oakham for a cup of coffee and a friendly chat.

### Wednesday 14 August – 1:30pm: Music at Lunchtime

Mark Ashford *guitar* plays music by Albeniz, Villa-Lobos and Sor. All welcome.

## Further Ahead

### Thursday 22nd August – 10:30am: Team Walking Group

The next walk (approximately 6.5 miles) will be from the top (long-stay) car park on Gumley Road, just south of Foxton Locks (Grid ref 692892 – 3 miles north-west of Market Harborough). Please bring a picnic lunch. New walkers always welcome.  
Group contact: Dennis Corton, 722272.

### Monday 26 August – 11:15am: Bank Holiday Organ Recital

Given by Ivan Linford. The recital will be followed by lunch in the Church Hall (cost £5)

### Saturday 31 August – 7:30pm: Opening Organ Recital at Whissendine

Given by Jemima Stephenson (until recently Organ Scholar at Paterborough Cathedral) to mark the restoration of the organ by Henry Groves and Son.

## **Saturday 14 September – Rutland Ride and Stride**

Please make sure you take one of the information leaflets about Ride and Stride, and consider how you could get involved as a walker, cyclist, or recorder – or at least be willing to sponsor those participating! This year, for the first time, even those with restricted mobility are able to take part, visiting churches by car!

Further information from Stan Bruce (756656) or Richard Adams (756706).

## **Sunday 6 October from 12 noon: Harvest Lunch at Victoria Hall**

The list to sign will be available by the South Door.

## **Thursday 10 October – 2:30pm: Launch of All Saints Oakham Church Trail**

The trail for children has now been finalised and approved by NADFAS. Further details will be available later. Any enquiries to Sally Corton (722272) or Gill Bruce (756656).

## **Examiner for Oakham PCC Accounts**

We are looking for an Examiner for the 2013 Oakham PCC Accounts. The task needs someone who is familiar with accounts to spend a few days in January/February 2014 looking over the Church Accounts. Would anyone who thinks that they might be able to help our Church with this task please contact either John King (01572 722796) or Peter Hill (01572 724529) to obtain further information.

## **Services Next Week (Sunday 18 August – Trinity 12)**

<b>Oakham</b>	08:00am	Holy Communion
	10:30am	Family Service & Baptism
		<b>No Evensong – You are warmly invited to join us at Langham for Hymns &amp; Pimms at 4pm</b>

<b>Egleton</b>	9:15am	Holy Communion
<b>Braunston</b>	11:00am	Holy Communion
<b>Langham</b>	4:00pm	Church@4 – Hymns & Pimms
<b>Brooke</b>	6:00pm	Evensong

<b>Ashwell</b>	9:00am	Holy Communion
<b>Whissendine</b>	11:00am	Holy Communion
<b>Market Overton</b>	4:00pm	Church@4
<b>Teigh</b>	6:00pm	Evensong

## **Midweek Services**

Tuesday	10:00am	Holy Communion at All Saints Oakham
Wednesday	10:00am	Holy Communion at St John and St Anne
	5:30pm	Christian Meditation Group at St John and St Anne
Thursday	8:30am	Holy Communion at All Saints Oakham
Friday	10:00am	Holy Communion (BCP) at All Saints Oakham