

Christmas Services:

Tuesday 24th December:

3:30PM: Crib Service Braunston
4PM: Crib Service Whissendine
6PM: Crib Service Market Overton
6PM: Crib Service Langham

Midnight Mass:

11:15 at Whissendine
11:00 at Hambleton

Christmas Day Services:

9am Holy Communion Teigh
9:15 Holy Communion Egleton
10:30 Holy Communion Market Overton
10:30 Family Communion Ashwell
11:00 Holy Communion Branuston

Team walking group: The next walk on January 1st 2014 is approx 5 miles around the Hambleton peninsula. Meet at 8 Peterborough Avenue with your "bring and share" lunch contribution at 10.00am then motor to the fishermen's car park at Hambleton. After the walk return to Peterborough Ave for lunch where there will be soup and drinks awaiting. Please ring Sally or Dennis, 01572 722272, if you will be coming so we may monitor numbers. Anyone wishing to enjoy the **walk only** meet at the fishermen's car park at Hambleton for a 10.30am start.

Thursday 9th January, 1:00pm: MOTHERS' UNION LUNCH & AGM. *Oakham Church Hall* Contact Meg Dyer to confirm attendance at the lunch (01572 771564) if you have not already signed the list. Cost will be £5. Guests welcome.

Seeds of Faith course: for explorers or new Christians or for those just wanting a refresher on the basics of Christianity. A six week course beginning Monday 13th January 2014 7:30 – 9:30pm in Ashwell. For further details or to book contact Jenni Duffy 01572 720064 or jenni@oakhamteam.org.uk

**CHURCHES TOGETHER
IN OAKHAM AND DISTRICT**

PRAYER BREAKFAST

Saturday 18th January, 2014

8.30 am

The Victoria Hall

Speaker: Rev. J.G. Jamieson

Chaplain at Kendrew Barracks.

Tickets: £3.00, from

Patrick or Marjorie Wilson

01572 723 288



Sunday 22nd December 2013



WELCOME

If you are new to this church or visiting, please make yourself known to the clergy or churchwardens.

If you wish to receive Holy Communion in the pew where you are sitting, please inform a sidesperson before the start of the service.

At All Saints' Church, Oakham, large print versions of the hymns and service booklet are available. Please ask one of the sidespersons.

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Oakham Team Office

The Team Office is staffed on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday 9am- 1pm, Thursdays 11am-3pm and Fridays by email. Notices for inclusion in the pew sheet should arrive by Wednesday at 11 am.
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Services for Sunday 29th December (Christmas 1)

Hambleton 12:15 Baptism

TEAM SUNDAY

Oakham 08:00 Holy Communion
10:30 Holy Communion

Midweek Communion Services

Tuesday	All Saints' Oakham	10.00 am
Wednesday	St John and St Anne Chapel	10.00 am
Thursday	All Saints' Oakham	8.30 am
Friday (BCP)	All Saints' Oakham	10.00 am

Every Wednesday at 5.30 pm Christian Meditation Group at St John and St Anne.

The Collect

God our redeemer,
Who prepared the Blessed Virgin Mary
to be the mother of Your Son:
grant that, as she looked for His coming as
our Saviour,
so we may be ready to greet him
when he comes again as our judge;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Isaiah 7.10-16

The Lord spoke to Ahaz, saying, Ask a sign
of the Lord your God; let it be deep as
Sheol or high as heaven. But Ahaz said, I
will not ask, and I will not put the Lord to
the test. Then Isaiah said: 'Hear then,
O house of David! Is it too little for you to
weary mortals, that you weary my God
also? Therefore the Lord himself will give
you a sign. Look, the young woman is with
child and shall bear a son, and shall name
him Immanuel. He shall eat curds and
honey by the time he knows how to
refuse the evil and choose the good. For
before the child knows how to refuse the
evil and choose the good, the land before
whose two kings you are in dread will be
deserted.

Romans 1.1-7

Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be
an apostle, set apart for the gospel of
God, which he promised beforehand
through his prophets in the holy
scriptures, the gospel concerning his Son,
who was descended from David according
to the flesh and was declared to be Son of
God with power according to the spirit of
holiness by resurrection from the dead,
Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we
have received grace and apostleship to
bring about the obedience of faith among
all the Gentiles for the sake of his name,
including yourselves who are called to
belong to Jesus Christ,

To all God's beloved in Rome, who are
called to be saints:

Grace to you and peace from God our
Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Matthew 1.18-25

The birth of Jesus the Messiah took place
in this way. When his mother Mary had
been engaged to Joseph, but before they
lived together, she was found to be with
child from the Holy Spirit. Her husband
Joseph, being a righteous man and
unwilling to expose her to public disgrace,
planned to dismiss her quietly. But just
when he had resolved to do this, an angel
of the Lord appeared to him in a dream
and said, 'Joseph, son of David, do not be
afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the
child conceived in her is from the Holy
Spirit. She will bear a son, and you are to
name him Jesus, for he will save his
people from their sins.' All this took place
to fulfil what had been spoken by the Lord
through the prophet:

'Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a
son,

and they shall name him Emmanuel',
which means, 'God is with us.' When
Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the
angel of the Lord commanded him; he
took her as his wife, but had no marital
relations with her until she had borne a
son; and he named him Jesus.

Post Communion Prayer

Heavenly Father,
who chose the Blessed Virgin Mary
to be the mother of the promised Saviour:
fill us your servants with your grace, that
in all things we may embrace your holy
will and with her rejoice in your salvation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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