



All Saints Oakham

Welcome to All Saints' Parish Church



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.

Large print versions of this service booklet are available. Please ask one of the sidespersons.

Weekly Newsheet

**The Epiphany
Sunday 5 January 2014**

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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

8:00am Holy Communion

10:30am Parish Communion*

The Order of Service is contained in the separate service booklet.

Opening Hymn*

1. As with gladness men of old
did the guiding star behold,
as with joy they hailed its light,
leading onward, beaming bright;
so, most gracious Lord, may we
evermore be led to thee.
2. As with joyful steps they sped,
Saviour, to thy lowly bed,
there to bend the knee before
thee whom heaven and earth adore;
so may we with willing feet
ever seek thy mercy-seat.
3. As they offered gifts most rare
at thy cradle rude and bare,
so may we with holy joy,
pure and free from sin's alloy,
all our costliest treasures bring,
Christ, to thee our heavenly King.
4. Holy Jesus, every day
keep us in the narrow way,
and, when earthly things are past,
bring our ransomed souls at last
where they need no star to guide,
where no clouds thy glory hide.
5. In the heavenly country bright
need they no created light;
thou its light, its joy, its crown,
thou its sun which goes not down;
there for ever may we sing
alleluias to our King.

Words: William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898)
Music: From a chorale by C Kocher (1786-1872) abridged by William Henry Monk (1823-1889)
(Ancient & Modern – 94)

Collect

O God,
who by the leading of a star
manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth:
mercifully grant that we,
who know you now by faith,
may at last behold your glory face to face;
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 – Isaiah 60.1-6

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.
For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples;
but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you.
Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you;
your sons shall come from far away,

and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms.

Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice,
because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you,
the wealth of the nations shall come to you.

A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah;
all those from Sheba shall come.

They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

New Testament Reading – Ephesians 2.1-12

I, Paul, am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles - for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Gradual Hymn*

I. Brightest and best of the sons of the morning,
dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid;
star of the east, the horizon adorning,
guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

2. Cold on his cradle the dew-drops are shining;
low lies his head with the beasts of the stall;
angels adore him in slumber reclining,
Maker and Monarch and Saviour of all.
3. Say, shall we yield him, in costly devotion,
odours of Edom, and offerings divine,
gems of the mountain, and pearls of the ocean,
myrrh from the forest, or gold from the mine?
4. Vainly we offer each ample oblation,
vainly with gifts would his favour secure,
richer by far is the heart's adoration,
dearer to God are the prayers of the poor.
5. Brightest and best of the sons of the morning,
dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid;
star of the east, the horizon adorning,
guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

Words: Reginald Heber (1783-1826)
Music: Epiphany, Joseph Francis Thrupp (1827-1867)
(Ancient & Modern – 96)

Gospel Reading – Matthew 2.1-12

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, ‘Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.’ When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, ‘In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

“And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.” Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, ‘Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.’ When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Offertory Hymn*

1. From the eastern mountains
pressing on, they come,
wise men in their wisdom,
to his humble home;
stirred by deep devotion,
hasting from afar,
ever journeying onward,
guided by a star.

2. There their Lord and Saviour
meek and lowly lay,
wondrous light that led them
onward on their way,
ever now to lighten
nations from afar,
as they journey homeward
by that guiding star.

5. Until every nation,
whether bond or free,
'neath thy star-lit banner,
Jesu, follow thee.
o'er the distant mountains
to that heavenly home,
where nor sin nor sorrow
evermore shall come.

3. Thou who in a manger
once hast lowly lain,
who dost now in glory
o'er all kingdoms reign,
gather in the peoples,
who in lands afar
ne'er have seen the brightness
of thy guiding star.

4. Onward through the darkness
of the lonely night,
shining still before them
with thy kindly light.
guide them, Jew and Gentile,
homeward from afar,
young and old together,
by thy guiding star.

Words: Godfrey Thring (1823-1903)

Music: Evelyns, William Henry Monk (1823-1889)

(Ancient & Modern – 98)

Communion Hymn*

1. In our darkness light has shone,
Alleluia,
still today the light shines on,
Alleluia;
Word made flesh in human birth,
Alleluia,
Light and Life of all the earth,
Alleluia!

2. Christ the Son incarnate see,
Alleluia,
by whom all things came to be,
Alleluia;
through the world his splendours shine,
Alleluia,
full of grace and truth divine,
Alleluia!

3. All who now in him believe,
Alleluia,
everlasting life receive,
Alleluia;
born of God and in his care,
Alleluia,
we his name and nature share,
Alleluia!

4. Christ a child on earth appears,
Alleluia,
crown of all creation's years,
Alleluia;
God's eternal Word has come,
Alleluia,
he shall lead his people home,
Alleluia!

*Words: based on John 1.1-14, Timothy Dudley-Smith (b 1926)
Music: Redland, Malcolm Archer (b 1952) – A&M 359 (Ancient & Modern – 101)*

Post Communion Prayer

Lord God, the bright splendour whom the nations seek:
may we who with the wise men have been drawn by your light
discern the glory of your presence in your Son,
the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Final Hymn*

1. O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness;
bow down before him, his glory proclaim;
with gold of obedience, and incense of lowliness,
kneel and adore him: the Lord is his name.
2. Low at his feet lay thy burden of carefulness:
high on his heart he will bear it for thee,
comfort thy sorrows, and answer thy prayerfulness,
guiding thy steps as may best for thee be.
3. Fear not to enter his courts in the slenderness
of the poor wealth thou wouldst reckon as thine:
truth in its beauty, and love in its tenderness,
these are the offerings to lay on his shrine.
4. These, though we bring them in trembling and fearfulness,
he will accept for the name that is dear;
mornings of joy give for evenings of tearfulness,
trust for our trembling and hope for our fear.
5. O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness;
bow down before him, his glory proclaim;
with gold of obedience, and incense of lowliness,
kneel and adore him: the Lord is his Name.

*Words: John Samuel Bewley Monsell (1811-1875)
Music: Was Lebet, Melody from Rheinhardt MS 1754 (Ancient & Modern - 103)*

Today

6:00pm – **EPIPHANY EUCHARIST**

St Peter & St Paul Langham

Join us at Langham this evening for a celebration of the Eucharist for Epiphany in the WWR style. There is NO Evensong at Oakham today.

The Coming Week

WEDNESDAY 8 JANUARY

1:30pm – **MUSIC AT LUNCHTIME**

All Saints Oakham

George Smith *tenor*

Britten Folksong Arrangements Vol 3

THURSDAY 9 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 signed the list. Cost £5. Guests welcome.

12:15-12:45pm – **CELTIC MIDDAY PRAYER**

St Edmund Egleton

Come and weave a little silence to your lips, weave a little silence into your life and come and join us if you can. All Welcome. Further details please contact Vyv Wainwright 01572 755752.

SATURDAY 11 JANUARY

10:00am-12:30pm – **FINANCE**

ROADSHOW

Oakham CofE Primary School

Bishop Donald hosts the first of four spring Roadshows. Email alex.low@peterborough-diocese.org.uk if you would like to attend.

SUNDAY 12 JANUARY

2:00-3:00PM – **GIFT**

(GIRLS IN FAITH TOGETHER)

All Saints Oakham

Contact Jess for details

(jess@oakhamteam.org.uk).

Looking Ahead

MONDAY 13 JANUARY

7:30-9:30pm – **SEEDS OF FAITH COURSE**

Ashwell

The first session of a six week course for explorers or new Christians or for those just wanting a refresher on the basics of Christianity. Members of all team churches are welcome.

For further details or to book contact

Jenni Duffy 01572 720064 or

jenni@oakhamteam.org.uk.

TUESDAY 14 JANUARY

10:00am-12:00pm – **OPEN HOUSE**

At the home of Gill & Stan Bruce, 19 Ashwell Road, Oakham.

All are welcome to call in for tea or coffee and a friendly chat.

SATURDAY 18 JANUARY

8:30am – **CHURCHES TOGETHER IN**

OAKHAM & DISTRICT

PRAYER BREAKFAST

Victoria Hall

Speaker – Revd J G Jamieson, Chaplain Kendrew Barracks. Tickets £3 from Patrick or Marjorie Wilson (01572 723288)

SATURDAY 18 JANUARY

1:00pm – **TABLE TOP SALE**

Langham Village Hall

Tables can be booked from Ray Bailey (01572 770490). In support of Langham Church Bellringers.

SUNDAY 19 JANUARY

3:00-4:30pm – **TEA PARTY**

All Saints Oakham

All queries to Revd Dominic Coad

MON 20-WED 22 JANUARY

LOOKING FORWARD TO LENT

Launde Abbey

A retreat led by Anthony Weaver. For more information call Launde Abbey on 01572 717254 or www.laundeabbey.org.uk

FRIDAY 24 JANUARY

10:00am – **WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER – DISCOVERY DAY**

Oakham Methodist Church

You are invited for coffee and Egyptian cakes, and Bible Study led by Revd Audrey Atkinson. This will be followed by a presentation by Mrs Emma Dipper from Release International, who is a frequent traveller to Egypt. Finish with lunch at 1:00pm.

Please come if you can, and let Christine Carlin (01572 722698) know by Sunday 18 January for catering numbers.

SUNDAY 26 JANUARY

2:00-3:00PM – **GIFT**

(GIRLS IN FAITH TOGETHER)

The Shed (Oakham Baptist Church)

Contact Jess for details (jess@oakhamteam.org.uk).

9:30AM-4:30PM – **A QUIET DAY**

Launde Abbey

Led by the Warden, Revd Alison Christian. Details from guli.francis-dehqani@peterborough-diocese.org.uk

SATURDAY 1 FEBRUARY

7:30pm – **PENNYLESS FOLK TRIO**

Langham Village Hall

Tickets £10 from Debbie (723533) or Hilary (757435).

For full details of services and other news please visit www.oakhamteam.org.uk

Bank Holiday Organ Recitals

The All Saints Concert Society organises organ recitals every Bank Holiday Monday at Oakham.

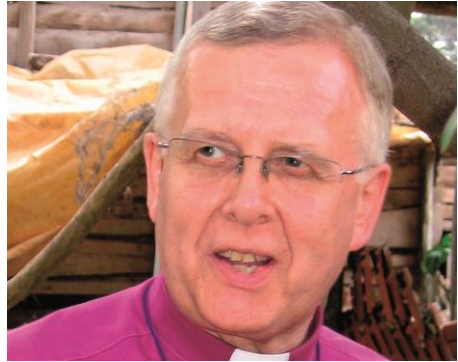
This year we will welcome **Roxanne Summerfield** (Assistant Organist at St James the Greater, Leicester) on Easter Monday (21 April); **Shanna Hart** (Organ Scholar Elect at Selwyn College, Cambridge) on May Day (5 May); **Peter Davis** (Director of Music at Oakham School) for Spring Bank Holiday (26 May) and **Robert Gower** for the Summer Bank Holiday (25 August).

The recitals are followed by a simple ploughman's style lunch in the Church Hall. We need some new volunteers to help prepare these – either as an organiser (team leader) or a helper in someone's team. If you think you can help, please talk to Christine Carlin, Kevin Slingsby or Paul Butler.

Reflecting on what has been

Rt Revd Donald Allister, the Bishop of Peterborough writes

New Year greetings to you. Of course it isn't everyone's New Year. Chinese, Jewish and Moslem calendars start at different times of year, and we have tax years starting in April and academic years starting in September (or August in Scotland). But we are used to January, and it seems to work as well as any other time of year.



New Year is an important opportunity to reflect on what has been: to remember God's faithfulness, to recall the ups and downs of the last twelve months, to learn whatever lessons we should be learning. And it is one of our best chances (alongside Easter and maybe the summer holidays) to look ahead: not necessarily with formal new year resolutions, but perhaps with a firm intent to put right a few wrongs or omissions, or to look for new opportunities of witness or service.

So go for it! Learn from 2013, and be closer to Jesus in 2014.

My hope for 2014? That we as a diocese will continue to grow numerically, in depth of love and commitment, and in our outreach to the needy and those who don't yet know Christ. I'll be talking to the clergy, churchwardens and church treasurers about all this in the early months of the year.

Growth can be painful: it involves change and sometimes discomfort. But what a privilege, what a joy, to be called by our Lord to be part of the adventure of building his Church and Kingdom. I hope and pray that you and your parish are ready to join me in this. We are not going into decline, and we are not going to stand still. We are going to work with Jesus in building, growing, and sharing his love with many who don't yet know.

2014 may bring us deep sorrows or great joys, or even both. It may seem like just another year, or like the best year ever. But whatever it holds, let's enter it together, determined to join in with God's mission in Peterborough Diocese.

+ Donald

**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

NEW YEAR

IT IS A GOOD TIME TO MAKE A PLAN



SMALL

OF AVERAGE SIZE

GRANDIOSE

@davewalker / davewalker.cc

Next Week's Readings at Holy Communion

Isaiah 42.1-9; Acts 10.34-43; Matthew 3.13-17

Services During The Week

<i>Monday</i> 6 Jan	8:30 Morning Prayer Oakham 9:00 Morning Prayer Langham	2:00 Pram & Toddler Oakham 4:30 Evening Prayer Oakham 5:00 Evening Prayer Langham 7:30 Light Circle Langham
<i>Tuesday</i> 7 Jan	8:30 Morning Prayer Oakham 10:00 Holy Communion Oakham	4:00 Evening Prayer Oakham
<i>Wednesday</i> 8 Jan	8:30 Morning Prayer Oakham 9:00 Morning Prayer Langham 10:00 Holy Communion J&A 10:30 Holy Communion Ashwell	4:30 Evening Prayer Oakham 5:00 Evening Prayer Langham 5:30 Meditation J&A
<i>Thursday</i> 9 Jan	9:00 Team Communion Oakham 9:45 Tiny Tots Oakham	12:00 Ecumenical Prayer Oakham 12:15 Celtic Prayer Egleton 4:30 Evening Prayer Oakham
<i>Friday</i> 10 Jan	8:30 Morning Prayer Oakham 9:00 Morning Prayer Langham 10:00 BCP Communion Oakham	12:30 Village Prayers Braunston 4:30 Evening Prayer Oakham 5:00 Evening Prayer Langham 6:00 Evening Prayer Whissendine

Services Next Sunday

12 January - The Baptism of Christ

<i>Oakham</i>	8:00 Holy Communion (CW Trad) 10:30 Parish Communion	6:00 Evensong
<i>Whissendine</i>		4:00 Church@4
<i>Teigh</i>		
<i>Market Overton</i>	10:30 Family Communion	
<i>Ashwell</i>	9:00 Holy Communion (BCP)	
<i>Langham</i>	11:00 Holy Communion	
<i>Braunston</i>	11:00 Matins	
<i>Brooke</i>	8:00 Holy Communion (BCP)	
<i>Hambleton</i>	9:15 Holy Communion (CW Trad)	
<i>Egleton</i>		

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