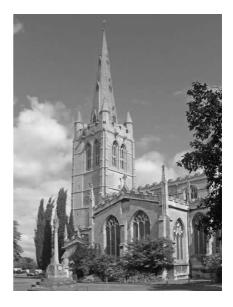


Oakham Saints

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

Fourth Sunday before Lent Sunday 9 February 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*

- Fight the good fight with all thy might;
 Christ is thy strength, and Christ thy right;
 lay hold on life, and it shall be
 thy joy and crown eternally.
- Run the straight race through God's good grace, lift up thine eyes, and seek his face; life with its way before us lies; Christ is the path, and Christ the prize.
- 3. Cast care aside, upon thy guide his boundless mercy will provide; trust, and thy trusting soul shall prove Christ is its life, and Christ its love.
- 4. Faint not nor fear, his arms are near; he changeth not, and thou art dear; only believe, and thou shalt see that Christ is all in all to thee.

Words: John Samuel Bewley Monsell (1811-1875)

Music: Duke Street, melody attributed to John L Hatton (d 1793), from Boyd's Psalm and Hymn Tunes 1793

(Ancient & Modern – 631)

Collect

O God,

you know us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright: grant to us such strength and protection as may support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; 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 58.1-9a

Thus says the Lord:

Shout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet!

Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins.

Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways,

as if they were a nation that practised righteousness

and did not forsake the ordinance of their God;

they ask of me righteous judgements, they delight to draw near to God.

'Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?'

Look, you serve your own interest on your fast-day, and oppress all your workers.

Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist.

Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high.

Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself?

Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes?

Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the LORD?

Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice,

to undo the thongs of the yoke,

to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke?

Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the LORD shall be your rearguard. Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer;

you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

New Testament Reading – 1 Corinthiams 2.1-12

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written,

'What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him' –

these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God.

Gradual Hymn*

- I. Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life anew, that I may love what thou dost love and do what thou wouldst do.
- Breathe on me, Breath of God, until my heart is pure; until with thee I will one will, to do and to endure.
- Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am wholly thine; until this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine.
- Breathe on me, Breath of God: so shall I never die, but live with thee the perfect life of thine eternity.

Words: Edwin Hatch (1835-1889) Music: Carlisle, Charles Lockhart (1745-1815) (Ancient & Modern – 236)

Gospel Reading – Matthew 5.13-20

Jesus went up the mountain and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to teach them: 'You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfil. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.'

Offertory Hymn*

- I. Onward, Christian soldiers, marching as to war, with the cross of Jesus going on before:
 Christ the royal Master, leads against the foe; forward into battle, see, his banners go!
 - Onward, Christian soldiers, marching as to war, with the cross of Jesus going on before!
- 2. Like a mighty army moves the church of God; brothers, we are treading where the saints have trod: we are not divided, all one body we, one in hope and doctrine, one in charity:

- 3. Crown and thrones may perish, kingdoms rise and wane, but the Church of Jesus constant will remain: gates of hell can never 'gainst that Church prevail; we have Christ's own promise, and that cannot fail:
- 4. Onward, then, ye people, join our happy throng, blend with ours your voices in the triumph song: glory, laud, and honour unto Christ the King, this through countless ages men and angels sing:

Words: Sabine Baring-Gould (1834-1924) Music: St Gertrude. Arthur Seymour Sullivan (1842-1900) (Ancient & Modern – 758)

Communion Anthem*

My eyes for beauty pine, my soul for Goddës grace, No other care nor hope is mine, to heaven I turn my face.

One splendour thence is shed from all the stars above: 'Tis names when God's name is said, 'tis Love, 'tis neavenly Love.

And every gentle heart that burns with true desire, is lit from eyes that mirror part of that celestial fire.

Words: Robert Bridges (1844-1930) Music: Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

Communion Hymn*

- Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness,
 and all these things shall be added unto you;
 Allelu-, alleluia:
 - Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 2. Ask, and it shall be given unto you, seek and ye shall find, knock, and the door shall be opened unto you;
 Allelu-, alleluia:
- We shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of the Lord; Allelu-, alleluia:

Words: Karen Lafferty (b 1948), Music: Karen Lafferty (b 1948), arr Roland T Fudge (b 1947) © 1972 CCCM Music (Ancient & Modern – 775)

Post Communion Prayer

Go before us, Lord, in all we do with your most gracious favour, and guide us with your continual help, that in all our works begun, continued and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name, and finally by your mercy receive everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Final Hymn*

- I. Forth in thy Name, O Lord, I go, my daily labour to pursue; thee, only thee, resolved to know in all I think or speak or do.
- The task thy wisdom hath assigned,
 O let me cheerfully fulfil;
 in all my works thy presence find,
 and prove thy good and perfect will.
- 3. Thee may I set at my right hand, whose eyes mine inmost substance see, and labour on at thy command, and offer all my works to thee.
- 4. Give me to bear thy easy yoke, and every moment watch and pray, and still to things eternal look, and hasten to thy glorious day;
- For thee delightfully employ whate'er thy bounteous grace hath given; and run my course with even joy, and closely walk with thee to heaven.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788) Music: Song 34 (Angels' Song), melody & bass by Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625) (Ancient & Modern – 476)

6:00pm Evensong

The Order of Service begins on page 58 of the Prayer Book, and the hymns are taken from New English Hymnal. *Readings set for Evensong are usually those from the Second Service Lectionary, although occasionally others may be used.

Opening Hymn

386 – O Jesu, King most wonderful (t 129)

Psalm 4 cum invocarem

T A Walmisley



- I Hear me when I call, O | God of · my | righteousness : thou hast set me at liberty when I was in trouble; have mercy upon me, and | heark-en | unto · my | prayer.
- 2 O ye sons of men, * how long will ye blas-| pheme mine | honour: and have such pleasure in | vanity · and | seek · after | leasing?
- †3 Know this also,
 - that the Lord hath chosen to himself the | man \cdot that is | godly : when I | call up-on the | Lord \cdot he will | hear me.
- 4 Stand in | awe and | sin not :

commune with your own heart and in your | cham-ber | and be | still.

- 5 Offer the | sacrifice · of | righteousness : and | put your | trust · in the | Lord.
- 6 There be | many · that | say :
 Who will | shew us | a-ny | good?
- 7 Lord, | lift thou | up ⇒ the | light of · thy | countenance · up- | on us.
- 8 Thou hast put | gladness · in my | heart : since the time that their corn and | wine and | oil in- |creas'd.
- 9 I will lay me down in peace and | take my | rest : for it is thou Lord only, that | makest · me | dwell in | safety.
 - Glory | be · to the | Father, and to the | Son and · to the | Ho-ly | Ghost;
 - As it was in the beginning is | now and · ever | shall be : world | with-out | end, A- | men.

First Lesson – Amos 2.4-16*

Office Hymn

414 - O for a closer walk with God

Magnificat – Luke 1.46-55

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- My soul doth | magnify · the | Lord : and my spirit hath re- | joic'd in | God my | Saviour.
- 2 For | he hath · re- | garded : the | lowli-ness | of his | handmaiden.
- †3 For be- | hold, from | henceforth : all gene- | rations · shall | call me | blessed.
- 4 For he that is mighty hath | magni-fied | me : and | ho-ly | is his | Name.
- 5 And his mercy is on | them that | fear him : through- | out all | ge-ne- | rations.
- 6 He hath shew'd | strength · with his | arm : he hath scatter'd the proud in the imagi- | na-tion | of their | hearts.
- 7 He hath put down the | mighty · from their | seat : and hath ex- | alted · the | humble · and | meek.
- 8 He hath fill'd the | hungry · with good | things : and the | rich he · hath sent | empty · a- | way.
- 9 He remembering his mercy hath holpen his | ser-vant | Israel : as he promis'd to our forefathers, Abraham | and his | seed for | ever.

Glory | be to the | Father,

and to the | Son and \cdot to the | Ho-ly | Ghost;

As it was in the beginning is | now and \cdot ever | shall be : world | with-out | end, A-| men.

Second Lesson – Ephesians 4.17-32*



- I Lord, now lettest thou thy servant de- | part in | peace : ac- | cor-ding | to thy | word.
- 2 For mine eyes have | seen · thy sal- | vation, which thou hast pre- | par'd be-fore the | face of · all | people,
- 3 To be a light to | lighten · the | Gentiles : and to be the | glory · of thy | peo-ple | Israel.

Glory | be · to the | Father, and to the | Son and · to the | Ho-ly | Ghost; As it was in the beginning is | now and · ever | shall be : world | with-out | end, A- | men.

Hymn after the Prayers

243 - At even when the sun was set

Hymn after the Sermon

368 - Guide me, O thou great Redeemer

Food Bank Donations

February is Milk and Juice month.

To cover gaps in our stock we would like to receive donations of only UHT milk and long life fruit juice during February. Cash donations to cover running costs are always welcome. Cheques made payable to Oakham Baptist Church.

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Next Week's Readings at Holy Communion

Deuteronomy 30.15-20 I Corinthians 3.1-9 Matthew 5.21-37

Today

SUNDAY 9 FEBRUARY

2:00-3:00pm – **GIFT**

(GIRLS IN FAITH TOGETHER)

The Shed (Oakham Baptist Church)

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

The Coming Week

TUESDAY II FEBRUARY

10:00am – **BIBLE STUDY 25 Willow Crescent, Oakham**All welcome

WEDNESDAY 12 FEBRUARY

10:00am-12:00pm – T' VICAR'S COFFEE MORNING

8 Ruddle Way, Langham

Please note change of venue. In aid of Sightsavers. All welcome.

1:30pm - MUSIC AT LUNCHTIME

All Saints Oakham

Charlotte Senescall bassoon

Hurlstone Sonata in F major

7:30pm – COMMUNICATIONS GROUP Mayhew Room, All Saints Oakham

THURSDAY 13 FEBRUARY

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.

2:15pm – OAKHAM & BRAUNSTON MOTHERS' UNION MEETING All Saints Oakham Church Hall

We are very pleased to welcome Jenni Duffy who will be coming to speak to us on The Work of the Parish Evangelist and I encourage members to support "one of our own" as we learn more about the important outreach work carried out in the Benefice.

7:30pm – **RUTLAND THEOLOGICAL SOCIETY**

Oakham Methodist Church
Revd Dr Derek Stanesby – A Spiritual
Journey from God to the World and Back
Again.

FRIDAY 14 FEBRUARY

2:00pm – **BRAUNSTON PCC**

7:30pm – **HOUGHTON WEAVERS**

St Andrew Whissendine

Tickets £10 to include a glass of wine. Contact Hilda 01664 474392 or email: handj5@talktalk.net Tony the lead singer has now recovered from his operation. If you had booked tickets in November and hadn't paid would you confirm that you still wish to come. Proceeds to St Andrew's Church, Whissendine

www.houghtonweavers.com/

Looking Ahead

TUESDAY 18 FEBRUARY

7:30pm – GOOD NEWS VAN
25 Willow Crescent, Oakham

WEDNESDAY 19 FEBRUARY

1:30pm - MUSIC AT LUNCHTIME

All Saints Oakham

Rutland Songbirds

Kevin Slingsby director

A selection of popular items for female voices

SATURDAY 22 FEBRUARY

7:30pm – SPRING CONCERT

All Saints Oakham

Bridget Hardy mezzo-soprano

Isaac Nakhimovsky viola

Ralph Woodward piano

Music by **Mozart**, **Schubert**, **Brahms** & **Britten**

Tickets £10 from Music&More, Kevin (460000) or www.oakhamconcerts.info

10:30am - TEAM WALKING GROUP

The Green, Ridlington

The walk is about 6 miles – conditions are generally good, although one section may be wet. Lunch afterwards at the Blue Ball, Braunston.

New walkers always welcome, contact Dennis Corton (01572 722272).

SATURDAY I MARCH

9:30 am -4:00pm – **BISHOP'S BIBLE DAY**

Northampton High School for Girls

A day for anyone who uses the Bible in their ministry, in church, in school, at work, in the community, at home. Booking is required – please see the new *Good* News magazine for full details and booking form.

TUESDAY 4 MARCH

7:00pm – FRIENDS SHROVETIDE PARTY
All Saints Oakham Church Hall

Cost £5. Please add your names to the list on the table by the South Door at All Saints Oakham.

WEDNESDAY 5 MARCH

ASH WEDNESDAY

10:00am - HOLY COMMUNION

Chapel of St John & St Anne

12:00pm - HOLY COMMUNION &

LITANY (BCP)

All Saints Oakham

7:30pm - SUNG EUCHARIST

St Mary Ashwell

FRIDAY 7 MARCH

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER –
All Saints Oakham

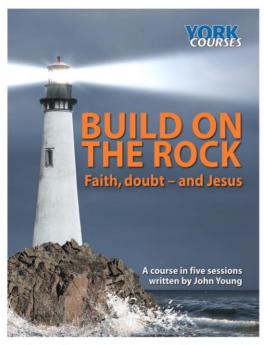
Streams in the Desert, prepared by Christian women of Egypt. Services at 10:45am (preceded at 10:00am with coffee & biscuits) – speaker Revd Julia Dowding, leader Mrs Joan Burns and 7:30pm (followed by coffee & biscuits) – speaker Revd Janet Tebby, leader Mrs Gwen Fordham.

SUNDAY 23 MARCH

11:45am – FRIENDS OF ALL SAINTS
OAKHAM AGM

All Saints Oakham

Notices for AGM and subscriptions in envelopes on table near South Door at All Saints. Members please collect yours and help deliver others where possible. Thank you.



LENT STUDY GROUPS

BUILD ON THE ROCK

(Matthew 7.24) starts by looking at faith and doubt. Is it wrong – or is it normal and healthy – for a Christian to have doubts? Is there any evidence for a God who loves us? We hear from many witnesses. At the heart of a Christian answer stands Jesus himself. We consider his 'strange and beautiful story' and reflect upon his teaching, his death, his resurrection and his continuing significance.

"The York Courses are a good brand. They help remind church members of their faith, serve useful sharing on Christian basics and engage with big issues facing humanity."

Revd John Twisleton, Jan 2013

A course in five sessions comprising course booklet, CD and transcript:

Session (1) Believing and doubting

Session (2) Jesus - our teacher

Session (3) Jesus - our saviour

Session (4) Jesus - conqueror of death

Session (5) Jesus - Lord and brother

If you would like to participate in this year's Lent Study Groups, please sign on the list in your church on or before **Sunday 16**th **February**. The groups will meet from the week beginning **Monday 10**th **March**.

We endeavour to make the groups as ecumenical as possible so that there is opportunity for good discussion.

If you would like any more information, please contact:

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PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND'S GENERAL SYNOD FEBRUARY 2014



The General Synod meets for three days from Monday 10th – Wednesday 12th February. During this time the Archbishops of Canterbury and York would like to encourage people throughout the Dioceses and parishes to pray for the work and life of the General Synod. An outline of the agenda items are below.

Monday 10 February

- Presentation by the Ethical Investment Advisory Group
- Gender-Based Violence debate

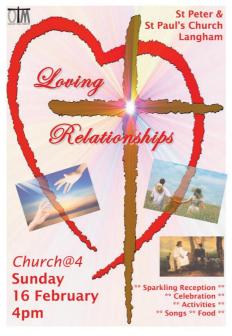
Tuesday 11 February

• Further work on legislation for Women in the Episcopate

Wednesday 12 February

- Presidential Address by Archbishop of Canterbury
- Private Member's Motion on Girl Guiding
- Presentation on Human Sexuality
- Diocesan Synod Motion on Environmental Issues

For podcasts, videos and to view a live web stream of the proceedings of General Synod, please visit: www.churchofengland.org/media-centre





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All Saints' Church Oakham



Saturday 22 February 7:30pm

Tickets £10 Music&More 01572 460000 www.oakhamconcerts.info

Services During The Week

Monday 10 Feb	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
Tuesday 11 Feb	8:30 Morning Prayer Oakham 10:00 Holy Communion Oakham	4:00 Evening Prayer Oakham
Wednesday 12 Feb	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
Thursday 13 Feb	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
Friday 14 Feb	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 16 February - Third Sunday before Lent

Oakham	8:00 Holy Communion (CW Trad)	6:00 Evensong
	10:30 Family Service	
Whissendine	11:00 Holy Communion	
Teigh		6:00 Evensong
Market Overton		4:00 Church@4
Ashwell	9:00 Holy Communion	
Langham		4:00 Church@4
Braunston	11:00 Holy Communion	
Brooke		6:00 Evensong
Hambleton		
Egleton	9:15 Holy Communion (CW Trad)	