



Weekly Pewsheet

Service Details and Notices

Presentation of Christ in the Temple Sunday 1 February 2015

Oakham 8:00am Holy Communion (CW Trad)

10:30am Parish Communion **6:00pm** Evensong

Whissendine 11:00am Confirmation

Ashwell No service
Teigh No service

Market Overton No service

Langham 6:00pm Word, Worship & Response

Braunston 11:00am Holy Communion

Brooke 6:00pm Evensong

Hambleton No service

Egleton 9:15am Holy Communion (CW Trad)

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 your pew, or would like a large print version of this Pewsheet, please ask a sidesperson.

Please take this Pewsheet home



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Collect

Almighty and ever-living God, clothed in majesty, whose beloved Son was this day presented in the Temple, in substance of our flesh: grant that we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts, by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading – Malachi 3.1-5

Thus says the Lord God: See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight – indeed, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the LORD in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years. Then I will draw near to you for judgement; I will be swift to bear witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired workers in their wages, the widow, and the orphan, against those who thrust aside the alien, and do not fear me, says the LORD of hosts.

Second Reading – Hebrews 2.14-18*

Since the children share flesh and blood, Jesus himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

Gospel – *Luke* 2.22-40

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, Mary and Joseph brought Jesus up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord. (as it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord'), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, 'a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.' Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under

the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, 'Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.' And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed — and a sword will pierce your own soul too.' There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem. When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

Post Communion Prayer

Lord, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and Anna, who lived to welcome the Messiah: may we, who have received these gifts beyond words, prepare to meet Christ Jesus when he comes to bring us to eternal life; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Today

SUNDAY I FEBRUARY

11:00am – CONFIRMATION SERVICE St Andrew Whissendine

This will be one joint service for the four Northern parishes. Bishop John Holbrook will be with us for the service, which will be followed by a shared lunch. No services in Teigh, Ashwell or Market Overton today.

This Week

WEDNESDAY 4 FEBRUARY

1:30pm - MUSIC AT LUNCHTIME

All Saints Oakham Form 6 pianists

Programme to include *Warlock* Capriol Suite (selected movts) and music by *Chopin*

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

THURSDAY 5 FEBRUARY

12:30-2:00pm – PRE-LENT LUNCH
Market Overton Bowls Club

£3 for adults, £1 for children for a homemade soup, roll, cheese and tea & coffee. Bring & Buy Stall and Raffle. The money raised will aid much needed building funds for Market Overton

Parish Church. Booking is essential, as all seats at the table are usually taken. There will be a Prize Draw for those attending both lunches (second one is on 26 February). Please ring Lin on 01572 767666 or Corrine & Ted on 01572 813675 or email lin@ryders.org.uk. We look forward to you joining us!

7:30pm – **DEANERY SYNOD MEETING**All Saints Oakham

Helen Briggs, Chief Executive Rutland County Council will speak about a developments related to the Voluntary, Community and Faith Sector in Rutland. This follows a Workshop on 17th December at which the local Churches were not fully represented. This is an important opportunity to influence change in this important area. All are encouraged to attend and ecumenical colleagues have

FRIDAY 6 FEBRUARY

also been invited

7:45pm – ORCHESTRAL & CHORAL CONCERT – Oakham School Chapel

Chamber Choir, Chamber Orchestra & Symphony Orchestra, Martin Cropper & Peter Davis conductors. Free, but tickets required (01572 758820 or wegottickets.com).

J S Bach Concerto for violin & oboe, BWV 1060

Handel Dixit Dominus, HWV 232 **Mozart** Symphony No. 40 in G minor (movt 1)

Sibelius Finlandia, op. 26 **Sibelius** Tiera

Looking Ahead

WEDNESDAY II FEBRUARY

1:30pm - MUSIC AT LUNCHTIME
All Saints Oakham
Brass Ensemble

Arrangements of popular songs, to include: Keep young and beautiful, Moon River & Charleston.

THURSDAY 12 FEBRUARY

10:00am - 12:00pm - OPEN HOUSE Home of Linda & John Allman, 11 Vicarage Road, Oakham

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

7:30pm – RUTLAND THEOLOGICAL SOCIETY – Oakham Methodist Church, Northgate

Fathomless Riches – Revd Richard Coles.

Richard Coles is a musician, journalist and Church of England priest. After ordination in 2005 he was a curate at St Botolph's Church, Boston and then at St Paul's Church, Knightsbridge. He has been chaplain of the Royal Academy of Music. In January 2011, he was appointed as the parish priest of St Mary the Virgin, Finedon in the Diocese of Peterborough. Since March 2011 he has been the regular host of BBC Radio 4's Saturday Live programme.
"Fathomless Riches" is the title of his autobiography.

£5 per attendance or £20 for six meetings. For further information visit www.rutlandtheologicalsociety.co.uk.

FRIDAY 13 FEBRUARY

11:30am – JERWOODS SHOWCASE Oakham School Chapel

Free, but tickets required (01572 758820 or wegottickets.com).

7:30pm – RUTLAND THREE ARTS
SOCIETY MUSIC GROUP – Methodist
Church Hall, Northgate, Oakham
A Composer Speaks – Neville Favell
Non-members welcome (£3 charge).

TUESDAY 17 FEBRUARY

7:00pm – FRIENDS' SHROVETIDE PARTY Oakham Church Hall

Food and Entertainment; bring your own wine or beer. Please put your name on the list by the south door at All Saints Oakham for catering.

ASH WEDNESDAY 18 FEBRUARY

10:00am - HOLY COMMUNION Chapel of St John & St Anne

12:00pm – LITANY & HOLY COMMUNION (BCP)

All Saints Oakham

7:30pm – SUNG HOLY COMMUNION FOR ASH WEDNESDAY
St Peter Brooke
With the Team Choir Laudamus

SATURDAY 28 FEBRUARY

7:30pm – CELLO RECITAL
St Peter & St Paul Langham
Gabriel Francis-Dehqani cello with
Fraser Graham piano

Programme including Brahms, Shostakovich as well as the premier of several movements from Peter Witchell's 2011 Cello Sonata. Doors open and bar from 7:00pm. Tickets £10 (students £5) from Debbie (723533), Hilary (757435), Music&More or wegottickets.com. Proceeds in aid of Langham Parish Church.

Please pray for

- Olivia Mould, Imogen Mould, Emily Martin and Nicholas Martin, who are being confirmed at Whissendine today.
- The family and friend of John
 Callaghan who died last Tuesday;
- Victims of religious extremism especially the people of Pakistan, and the girls kidnapped in Nigeria
- The victims of the Ebola outbreak and those working to stop it and to develop a vaccine;
- The hostages held by religious extremists and their families and friends;
- The people of Ukraine;
- The people whose lives are torn apart by war and violence, especially in Syria and Iraq;
- The Rutland Food Bank;
- The Drop-in Centre for more people to join the cooking team;
- Justin and John our Archbishops; Donald and John, our Bishops; Lee, Janet, Hildred & Dominic, our Team Clergy, and all lay members of the Ministry Team;
- All who are persecuted for their faith, especially in Sudan, CAR, Kenya, Syria, Somalia, Eritrea, North Korea, China, Indonesia, Northern Nigeria, Iran, Iraq, Egypt and Pakistan;

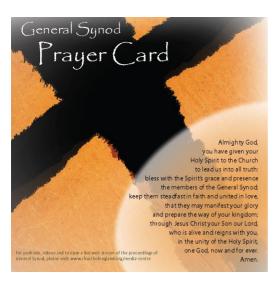
 Madeleine McCann and her family and all missing children

General Synod

The General Synod of the Church of England meets in London from Tuesday 10 to Thursday 12 February. During this time the Archbishops of Canterbury and York would like to encourage people throughout the dioceses and parishes to pray for the life of General Synod and the wider church, using the prayer below.

'Come and Sing' Crucifixion

On Palm Sunday evening at 6pm there will be a 'Come and Sing' Crucifixion (by John Stainer). A rehearsal at 3pm will be followed by tea at 5pm, when members of the Lent Ecumenical Groups will join together at the end of their course. All singers are warmly



invited to join us – if you are familiar with the work, or are a reasonable sight-reader, you can join us for the afternoon rehearsal, but if you would like to do a little more work on it beforehand we will be rehearsing it at our Laudamus practices on 10 & 24 February and 10 & 24 March. The work includes a number of congregational hymns, and with written reflections from the Lent Groups will make a fitting act of worship to conclude the Lent course. Please talk to Kevin Slingsby (01572 460000) for more details.

Lent Courses

Lent Courses start the week beginning 23 February. If you would like to take part please sign up on the sheets available in all churches BEFORE 8 February to allow enough time for the material to be ordered.

Praise Him – Songs of praise in the New Testament



We are used to singing hymns of praise when we go to church but often we miss the hymns and poems that are there in the New Testament. This course will explore five different Songs of Praise from the New Testament, looking at what they tell us about God and Jesus but also reflecting on what they tell us about us and our faith.

An ecumenical course in five sessions written by Dr Paula Gooder ideal for Lent, yet not Lent-specific.

- 1. Gratitude (Ephesians 1.3-14)
- 2. Image of God (Colossians 1.15-20)
- 3. Humility (Philippians 2.5-11)
- 4. New birth (1 Peter 1.3-12)
- 5. Word made flesh (John 1.1-14)

The course booklet, written and introduced by New Testament scholar <u>Or Paula Gooder</u> includes a good selection of questions at the end of each of the five sessions, designed to stimulate wide-ranging discussions.

The participants on the course CD are <u>Archbishop Justin Welby</u>, <u>Sister Wendy Beckett</u> and actor <u>David Suchet CBE</u>. Methodist <u>Moira Sleight</u> provides the Closing Reflection at the end of each session.

Services During The Week

Monday 26 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
Tuesday 27 Jan	8:30 Morning Prayer Oakham 10:00 Holy Communion Oakham	4:00 Evening Prayer Oakham
Wednesday 28 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
Thursday 29 Jan	9:00 Team Communion Oakham 9:45 Tiny Tots Oakham 10:30 Little Angels Market Overton	12:00 Ecumenical Prayer Oakham 4:30 Evening Prayer Oakham
Friday 30 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

Services Next Sunday - 8 February (Second Sunday before Lent)

Oakham	8:00 Holy Communion (CW Trad)	6:00 Evensong
	10:30 Parish Communion	
Whissendine	11:00 Confirmation	
Teigh		
Market Overton		
Ashwell		
Langham		6:00 WWR
Braunston	11:00 Holy Communion	
Brooke		6:00 Evensong
Hambleton		
Egleton	9:15 Holy Communion (CW Trad)	

Next Week's Readings at Holy Communion

Second before Lent: Proverbs 8.1,22-31; Colossians 1.15-20; John 1.1-14