

Weekly Pewsheet

Service Details and Notices

Fifth Sunday of Lent (Passion Sunday) Sunday 22 March 2015

Oakham	8:00am Holy Communion (CW Trad) 10:30am Parish Communion 6:00pm Evensong
Whissendine	11:00am Holy Communion
Ashwell	11:00am Holy Communion
Teigh	9:00am Holy Communion (BCP)
Market Overton	9:00am Holy Communion
Langham	11:00am Holy Communion
Braunston	11:00am Holy Communion
Brooke	8:00am Holy Communion
Hambleton	9:15am Holy Communion (CW Trad)
Egleton	No service

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.

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Collect

Most merciful God,
who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ
delivered and saved the world:
grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross
we may triumph in the power of his victory;
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.**

Passion Gospel – Matthew 26.14–27.66

Evangelist The Passion Gospel according to Matthew

Short Silence

Evangelist One of the twelve, who was called Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests and said,

Judas What will you give me if I betray him to you?

Evangelist They paid him thirty pieces of silver. And from that moment he began to look for an opportunity to betray him. On the first day of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus

Disciples Where do you want us to make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?

Jesus Go into the city to a certain man, and say to him, ‘The Teacher says, My time is near; I will keep the Passover at your house with my disciples.’

Evangelist So the disciples did as Jesus had directed them, and they prepared the Passover meal. When it was evening, he took his place with the twelve; and while they were eating, he said,

Jesus Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me.

Evangelist And they became greatly distressed and began to say to him one after another,

Disciples Surely not I, Lord?

Evangelist He answered,

Jesus The one who has dipped his hand into the bowl with me will betray me. The Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born.

Evangelist Judas, who betrayed him, said,

Judas Surely not I, Rabbi?

Evangelist He replied,

Jesus You have said so.

Evangelist While they were eating, Jesus took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to the disciples, and said,

Jesus Take, eat; this is my body.

Evangelist Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, saying,

Jesus Drink from it, all of you; for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you, I will never again drink of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom.

Evangelist When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. Then Jesus said to them,

Jesus You will all become deserters because of me this night; for it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.' But after I am raised up, I will go ahead of you to Galilee.

Evangelist Peter said to him,

Peter Though all become deserters because of you, I will never desert you.

Jesus Truly I tell you, this very night, before the cock crows, you will deny me three times.

Peter Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you.

Evangelist And so said all the disciples. Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples,

Jesus Sit here while I go over there and pray.

Evangelist He took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be grieved and agitated. Then he said to them,

Jesus I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and stay awake with me.

Evangelist And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed,

Jesus My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet not what I want but what you want.

Evangelist Then he came to the disciples and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter,

Jesus So, could you not stay awake with me one hour? Stay awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; for the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.

Evangelist Again he went away for the second time and prayed,

Jesus My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, your will be done.

Evangelist Again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were heavy. So leaving them again, he went away and prayed for the third time, saying the same words. Then he came to the disciples and said to them,

Jesus Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? See, the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand.

Evangelist While he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; with him was a large crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the elders of the people. Now the betrayer had given them a sign:

Judas The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him.

Evangelist At once he came up to Jesus and said,

Judas Greetings, Rabbi!

Evangelist and kissed him.

Jesus Friend, do what you are here to do.

Evangelist Then they came and laid hands on Jesus and arrested him. Suddenly, one of those with Jesus put his hand on his sword, drew it, and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear.

Jesus Put your sword back into its place; for all who take the sword will perish by the sword. Do you think that I cannot appeal to my Father, and he will at once send me more than twelve legions of angels? But how then would the scriptures be fulfilled, which say it must happen in this way?

Evangelist At that hour Jesus said to the crowds,

Jesus Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? Day after day I sat in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But all this has taken place, so that the scriptures of the prophets may be fulfilled.

Evangelist Then all the disciples deserted him and fled. Those who had arrested Jesus took him to Caiaphas the high priest, in whose house the scribes and the elders had gathered. But Peter was following him at a distance, as far as the courtyard of the high priest; and going inside, he sat with the guards in order to see how this would end. Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for false testimony against Jesus so that they might put him to death, but they found none, though many false witnesses came forward. At last two came forward.

Witnesses This fellow said, 'I am able to destroy the temple of God and to build it in three days.'

Evangelist The high priest stood up and said,

Caiaphas Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?

Evangelist But Jesus was silent.

Caiaphas I put you under oath before the living God, tell us if you are the Messiah, the Son of God.

Jesus You have said so. But I tell you, from now on you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power and coming on the clouds of heaven.

Evangelist Then the high priest tore his clothes and said,

Caiaphas He has blasphemed! Why do we still need witnesses? You have now heard his blasphemy. What is your verdict?

Priests He deserves death.

Evangelist Then they spat in his face and struck him; and some slapped him.
Priests Prophecy to us, you Messiah! Who is it that struck you?
Evangelist Now Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. A servant-girl came to him and said,
Servant-girl 1 You also were with Jesus the Galilean.
Evangelist But he denied it before all of them,
Peter I do not know what you are talking about.
Evangelist When he went out to the porch, another servant-girl saw him, and she said to the bystanders,
Servant-girl 2 This man was with Jesus of Nazareth.
Evangelist Again he denied it with an oath,
Peter I do not know the man.
Evangelist After a little while the bystanders came up and said to Peter,
Bystanders Certainly you are also one of them, for your accent betrays you.
Evangelist Then he began to curse, and he swore an oath,
Peter I do not know the man!
Evangelist At that moment the cock crowed. Then Peter remembered what Jesus had said: Before the cock crows, you will deny me three times. And he went out and wept bitterly. When morning came, all the chief priests and the elders of the people conferred together against Jesus in order to bring about his death. They bound him, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate the governor. When Judas, his betrayer, saw that Jesus was condemned, he repented and brought back the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and the elders.
Judas I have sinned by betraying innocent blood.
Priests What is that to us? See to it yourself.
Evangelist Throwing down the pieces of silver in the temple, he departed; and he went and hanged himself. But the chief priests, taking the pieces of silver, said,
Priests It is not lawful to put them into the treasury, since they are blood money.
Evangelist After conferring together, they used them to buy the potter's field as a place to bury foreigners. For this reason that field has been called the Field of Blood to this day. Then was fulfilled what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremiah, 'And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of the one on whom a price had been set, on whom some of the people of Israel had set a price, and they gave them for the potters field, as the Lord commanded me.' Now Jesus stood before the governor; and the governor asked him,
Pilate Are you the King of the Jews?
Evangelist Jesus said,
Jesus You say so.

Evangelist But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he did not answer. Then Pilate said to him,

Pilate Do you not hear how many accusations they make against you?

Evangelist But he gave him no answer, not even to a single charge, so that the governor was greatly amazed. Now at the festival the governor was accustomed to release a prisoner for the crowd, anyone whom they wanted. At that time they had a notorious prisoner, called Jesus Barabbas. So after they had gathered, Pilate said to them,

Pilate Whom do you want me to release for you, Jesus Barabbas or Jesus who is called the Messiah?

Evangelist For he realized that it was out of jealousy that they had handed him over. While he was sitting on the judgement seat, his wife sent word to him,

Pilate's Wife Have nothing to do with that innocent man, for today I have suffered a great deal because of a dream about him.

Evangelist Now the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowds to ask for Barabbas and to have Jesus killed. The governor again said to them,

Pilate Which of the two do you want me to release for you?

Crowd Barabbas.

Pilate Then what should I do with Jesus who is called the Messiah?

Crowd Let him be crucified!

Evangelist Then he asked,

Pilate Why, what evil has he done?

Crowd (louder) Let him be crucified!

Evangelist So when Pilate saw that he could do nothing, but rather that a riot was beginning, he took some water and washed his hands before the crowd.

Pilate I am innocent of this man's blood; see to it yourselves.

Crowd His blood be on us and on our children!

Evangelist So he released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified. Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the governor's headquarters, and they gathered the whole cohort around him. They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on his head. They put a reed in his right hand and knelt before him and mocked him.

Soldiers Hail, King of the Jews!

Evangelist They spat on him, and took the reed and struck him on the head. After mocking him, they stripped him of the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him. As they went out, they came upon a man from Cyrene named Simon; they compelled this man to carry his cross. And when they came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull), they offered him wine to drink, mixed with gall; but when he tasted it, he would not drink it. And when they had crucified him, they divided his clothes among themselves by

casting lots; then they sat down there and kept watch over him. Over his head they put the charge against him, which read, 'This is Jesus, the King of the Jews.' Then two bandits were crucified with him, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads.

Passers-by You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross.

Evangelist In the same way the chief priests also, along with the scribes and elders, were mocking him.

All He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down from the cross now, and we will believe in him. He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he wants to; for he said, 'I am Gods Son.'

Evangelist The bandits who were crucified with him also taunted him in the same way. From noon on, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. And about three o'clock Jesus cried with a loud voice,

Jesus Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?

Evangelist That is, 'My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?' When some of the bystanders heard it, they said,

Bystanders This man is calling for Elijah.

Evangelist At once one of them ran and got a sponge, filled it with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink. But the others said,

Bystanders Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him.

Evangelist Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and breathed his last. At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. The earth shook, and the rocks were split. The tombs also were opened, and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised. After his resurrection they came out of the tombs and entered the holy city and appeared to many. Now when the centurion and those with him, who were keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were terrified and said,

Centurion Truly this man was Gods Son!

Evangelist Many women were also there, looking on from a distance; they had followed Jesus from Galilee and had provided for him. Among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James and Joseph, and the mother of the sons of Zebedee. When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who was also a disciple of Jesus. He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus; then Pilate ordered it to be given to him. So Joseph took the body and wrapped it in a clean linen cloth and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn in the rock. He then rolled a great stone to the door of the tomb and went away. Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were there, sitting opposite the tomb.

Silence – stay still

Post Communion Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ,
you have taught us
that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters
we do also for you:
give us the will to be the servant of others
as you were the servant of all,
and gave up your life and died for us,
but are alive and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Today

12:00pm – **LANGHAM APCM**

St Peter & St Paul Langham

7:30pm – **OAKHAM CHORAL SOCIETY**

& ORCHESTRA – MESSA DI GLORIA

Oakham School Chapel

Puccini's colourful and operatic work, alongside the Song of Destiny by Brahms and Mozart's Horn Concerto No 1 performed by Oakham School music scholar, Alex Bower-Brown. Tickets £8 from boxoffice@oakham.rutland.sch.uk, 01572 758820, www.wegotickets.com, Music & More, Oakham.

7:30pm – **BRAUNSTON HISTORY & MEMORIES NIGHT**

The Blue Ball, Braunston

Braunston Blokes Club welcomes a longtime resident to share photos and memories of Braunston in years gone by, with an open invitation to everyone to bring along any photos or memorabilia they have to share. More info from Rob (774388) or Alan (755570).

This Week

TUESDAY 24 MARCH

11:00am – **WHISSENDINE PRAYER GROUP**

13 Harborough Close, Whissendine

For details, pick up a diary from St Andrew's Whissendine, or phone 01664 474454.

7:30pm – **BROOKE APCM**

6 Tay Close, Oakham

WEDNESDAY 25 MARCH

1:30pm – **MUSIC AT LUNCHTIME**

All Saints Oakham

Oakham School Chamber Choir

Songs from Shakespeare by *Mantyaarvi, Rutter, Shearing & Vaughan Williams*

7:00pm – **ASHWELL APCM**

St Mary Ashwell

THURSDAY 26 MARCH

10:30am – **TEAM WALKING GROUP**

Blue Bell Pub, Easton on the Hill

The next walk is the four counties walk. Parking at or around the pub with lunch there afterwards. New

walkers always welcome, just turn up suitably attired. Group contact Dennis Corton – 01572 722272.

7:30pm – **WHISSENDINE SAINTLY SOCIAL – The Three Horseshoes, Whissendine**

Our regular monthly get together gathers on the day of Richard III's re-interment. Come along to join the merry bunch and celebrate the beginning of Spring for a chat and good company - All welcome! More information from John on 474254

FRIDAY 27 MARCH

12:00-1:30pm – **LENT LUNCH**

All Saints Church Hall, Oakham

Soup & cheese lunch, £3.50. Come and share with friends. Proceeds to Christian Aid.

7:30pm – **SPRING MUSIC FOR YOU!**

All Saints Oakham

The Stamford Concert Singers present Ensembles and solos from the shows, opera, music hall etc, featuring a full costume performance of Gilbert & Sullivan's comic opera Trial by Jury. Tickets £8 (£7 concessions) in advance from Music&More or tel 01780 756300, or £10 (£8) on the door. Promoted by The Friends of Rutland Sailability.

7:30pm – **RUTLAND THREE ARTS SOCIETY VISUAL ARTS GROUP**

All Saints Church Hall, Oakham

John Constable – Landscape Painting – David Kirk, Head of Art History Uppingham School.

Non-members welcome (£3 charge).

SATURDAY 28 MARCH

7:30pm – **SPRING SING WITH WOVEN CHORDS & GLOBAL HARMONY**

Oakham School Chapel

Two world-music community choirs join for a charity concert in aid of Marie Curie Cancer Care. Tickets £8 including refreshments from Music&More or on the door.

SUNDAY 29 MARCH

8:00am – **HOLY COMMUNION**

All Saints Oakham

10:30am – **LITURGY OF PALMS & HOLY COMMUNION**

All Saints Oakham

11:00am – **LITURGY OF PALMS & HOLY COMMUNION**

St Andrew Whissendine

6:00pm – **STAINER'S CRUCIFIXION**

All Saints Oakham

The end of the ecumenical Lent course will be marked with a 'Come and Sing' performance of Stainer's Crucifixion. Rehearsal at 3:00pm, followed by tea before the performance.

No other services in the Team today.

Looking Ahead

MONDAY 30 MARCH

7:30pm – **COMPLINE & ADDRESS**

St Mary Ashwell

Preacher – Revd Dr Dominic Coad.

TUESDAY 31 MARCH

7:30pm – **COMPLINE & ADDRESS**

St Andrew Hanbleton

Preacher – Revd Canon Lee Francis-Dehqani.

WEDNESDAY 1 APRIL

1:30pm – **MUSIC AT LUNCHTIME**

All Saints Oakham

Stephen Tatlow piano

7:30pm – **TENEBRAE SERVICE**

St Andrew Whissendine

Set within the context of a simple supper. Please book in with Revd Janet Tebby by 30 March (01664 474096 or janet@oakhamteam.org.uk)

MAUNDY THURSDAY 2 APRIL

7:30pm – **LITURGY WITH WASHING OF FEET AND WATCH UNTIL MIDNIGHT**

All Saints Oakham

At the Last Supper Jesus washed his disciples' feet and gave us Holy Communion. We share his abandonment in the garden..

GOOD FRIDAY 2 APRIL

9:00am – **MORNING PRAYER**

St Peter Brooke

10:00am – **LITANY**

Chapel of St John & St Anne

10:30am – **WALK OF WITNESS**

From the Chapel of St John & St Anne to the Market Place, and concluding with a short Ecumenical Service at the Buttercross.

10:00am-12:00pm – **CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY MORNING**

St Andrew Whissendine

A morning of craft, film, story, song and other activities exploring Holy Week and Easter, especially for Primary aged children. For info and registration contact Revd Janet Tebby, 01664 474096 or janet@oakhamteam.org.uk.

12:00-1:00pm – **LITURGY**

All Saints Oakham

Sung by Laudamus, the Team Choir, with sung Passion Gospel and Reproaches by Victoria.

1:00-3:00pm – **ADDRESSES**

All Saints Oakham

Led by Revd Dr Dominic Coad.

SATURDAY 4 APRIL

11:00am – **REDEDICATION OF BRAUNSTON WAR MEMORIAL**

All Saints Braunston

After one hundred years, the name of Gladys Walter, who served in the WRAF in the First Great War and whose war grave is in the Churchyard, has recently been added to the memorial. To celebrate the correction of this omission after such a long time, everyone is invited to attend this historic occasion, with the Lord Lieutenant of Rutland, Dr Laurence Howard, the Deputy Lieutenant, Bart Hellyer, and the High Sherriff, Air Commodore Miles Williamson-Noble in attendance, and to partake of light refreshments in the Village Hall, afterwards.

EASTER DAY 5 APRIL

5:30am – **VIGIL & FIRST COMMUNION OF EASTER FOLLOWED BY BREAKFAST**

All Saints Braunston

We meet in the Village Hall for the Vigil and proceed to the Church for the Service of Light and Holy Communion, and return to the Hall for breakfast afterwards.

Normal morning services at Oakham and in the other villages, but no evening services.

EASTER MONDAY 6 APRIL

11:15am – **ORGAN RECITAL**

All Saints Oakham

Ian Shaw – St John Greenhill and St Mary Abchurch, London

Followed by lunch in the Church Hall (£5)

WEDNESDAY 15 APRIL

7:30pm – **MARKET OVERTON APCM**

St Peter & St Paul Market Overton Parish Room

FRIDAY 17 APRIL

7:00pm – **BRAUNSTON APCM**

Braunston Village Hall

SUNDAY 19 APRIL

12:00pm – **WHISSENDINE APCM**

St Andrew Whissendine

6:45pm – **TEIGH APCM**

Holy Trinity Teigh

TUESDAY 21 APRIL

7:00pm – **HAMBLETON APCM**

Hambleton Village Hall

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SUNDAY 26 APRIL

11:15am – **OAKHAM APCM**

All Saints Oakham

Following a joint 10:00am service for both 8:00 and 10:30 congregations.

FRIDAY 15 MAY

7:30pm – **THE HOUGHTON WEAVERS**

St Andrew Whissendine

By popular request, a return visit on their 40th Anniversary Tour. Tickets £10 to include glass of wine from Hilda and John 01664 474392 or email handj5@talktalk.net. For further information visit their website at www.houghtonweavers.com.

SUN 16 – MON 31 AUGUST

WALK RUTLAND FOR JESUS

Mission for all Christians – we aim to walk the land in prayer sharing the Good News of Jesus with all we meet on the way. Will you join us in the name of Jesus? Pick up a brochure in church, look at the website (walkrutland.uk) or request a DVD. More information from Charlotte Pridmore or Mike & Lesley Sergeant, info@walkrutland.uk

Please pray for

- The family and friends of **Edith Johns**, mother of Sandra Needham, who died on Tuesday and whose funeral will take place at Oakham on Wednesday 1 April;
- The family and friends of **Michael Joseph Carlile** of Langham, whose funeral will take place at Grantham Crematorium on Tuesday;

- The people of Vanuata;
- Children enticed into joining extremist groups
- Victims of religious extremism and persecution, especially in Sudan, CAR, Kenya, Syria, Somalia, Eritrea, North Korea, China, India, Northern Nigeria, Iran, Iraq, Egypt, Pakistan and India;
- The hostages held by religious extremists and their families and friends. Also the family of murdered hostages;
- The people whose lives are torn apart by war and violence, especially in Ukraine, Syria and Iraq;
- The victims of the Ebola outbreak and those working to stop it and to develop a vaccine;
- The Rutland Food Bank;
- The Drop-in Centre;
- Justin and John our Archbishops and Donald and John, our Bishops;
- Lee, Janet, Hildred & Dominic, our Team Clergy, and all lay members of the Ministry Team;
- Madeleine McCann and her family and all missing children.

Planned Giving

Envelopes, only identified by a number, are ready for collection by the South door at Oakham. The new tax year starts soon, it is a good opportunity to start giving regularly to All Saints. Many donors prefer to use a monthly route via their bank. No wonder they pass the offertory bag unfilled! Please contact Gordon at church or phone 01572 755371

Medecins sans Frontieres



Dr Benjamin Black stands outside Gondama referral centre in Bo, Sierra Leone

A big thank you to everyone who has helped to raise a grand total of £455.12 which has been sent to Medecins sans Frontieres for Emergency Action Relief over the last few months. This includes £100 raised through Uppingham School, £215.12 from the Market Place stall in October, and personal donations of £40 and £100. Dr Benjamin Black of MSF UK writes in thanks...

“As requested these funds will be earmarked to support the work MSF is delivering to those affected by the conflict in Syria and with those in neighbouring countries who have had to flee. What began in 2011 in Syria as protests inspired by the Arab Spring has become an entrenched and bloody conflict that shows no sign of resolution. Today, with an estimated 200,000 people killed and 7.6 million people displaced within the country and 3.2 million refugees registered outside, Syria is seen as the world's most grave humanitarian disaster.

“In the face of this crisis, the previously functioning health system has collapsed and thousands of medical staff have fled. Many others inside the country have been targeted for their work. There are massive unmet needs, millions of frightened and vulnerable people, and a dreadfully restricted aid response.

“Despite the extremely challenging security context - five MSF staff were abducted in early 2014, and subsequently released - MSF continues to operate medical facilities inside Syria, as well as supporting directly more than 100 clinics, health posts and field hospitals.

“MSF is also working with patients from Syria who have fled to Jordan, Lebanon and Iraq. In recent weeks and months, controls on refugees seeking to enter Jordan and Lebanon have been tightened, increasing the difficulties of Syrians wishing to flee the country.

“The initial focus for MSF was providing emergency and trauma surgical care in the north of the country. As the situation deteriorated, activities were extended to include basic and mental healthcare, maternal health services and measles vaccination campaigns. MSF also donated medical supplies and drugs to treat communicable diseases such as typhoid, chronic conditions such as asthma and diabetes, as well as cardiovascular and kidney diseases. For those in displacement camps MSF have built latrines and showers and provide non medical supplies such as blankets,

stoves, tents and plastic sheeting. Where MSF cannot send its own teams because of insecurity or being denied access by the government, drugs, medical equipment, and technical advice and support are offered.

“Your continued support enables us to continue with this much needed assistance, so thank you.”

Thank you to Yvette Nicolle-Anderiesz for all her work in co-ordinating the fund raising effort.

Fairtrade Sales

Sales for February amounted to £144.24 which includes over £40 at the first Lent Lunch! – as ever many thanks to everyone. The stall will be in Oakham Church after the 10:30 service on 29 March. Thank you, Denise.

Easter Lilies

Donations for Easter Lilies may be placed in the alms box on the South Door. They should be put in an envelope marked ‘For Easter Lilies’. Lilies cost approx. £2.00 each. Further information from Jackie Vecqueray.

All Saints Church Trail

If you are thinking about activities to amuse children or grandchildren during the forthcoming Easter holidays, you may like to consider letting them follow the Church Trail at Oakham. You can pick up a copy from the table just inside the West Door. Further details can be obtained from Gill Bruce on 01572 756656 or Sally Corton on 01572 722272.

Knitted Chicks

The Mothers' Union is again planning to sell knitted Easter chicks to raise money for their charities. It will be £1 for the chick and chocolate egg. Please keep looking for them, we are still busy knitting!

The Real Easter Egg Campaign Continues!

I will be taking order for the eggs up to the end of March - the original egg is still priced at £3.99 if you would like to order one please speak to me on a Sunday at Oakham or contact me on 01572 722729. The Traidcraft stall will also be at the Lent Lunches in the Church Hall where orders can also be taken. For more information on the other eggs or indeed anything Fairtrade related please do get in touch. Thank you for your continued support. Denise.

Annual Parochial Church Meetings

Your opportunity to hear and have your say what has been going on in the church over the last year, and to elect Churchwardens and PCC members. In the northern villages the meetings takes place on 25 March (Ashwell), 15 April (Market Overton) & 19 April (Whissendine & Teigh), and in the southern villages 9 March (Egleton), 22 March (Langham), 24 March (Brooke), 17 April (Braunston) & 21 April (Hambleton), Please see the diary for times and locations.

At Oakham, the APCM will take place on Sunday 26 April, following a joint 10am Parish Communion, when we will need to elect new members of the Parochial Church Council (PCC) and a new Churchwarden. Please give prayerful consideration to whether you might be able to fulfil one of these roles – more details can be obtained from current PCC members or the Churchwardens. Furthermore, Peter Hill has advised that he wishes to step down from his role in the Treasurers team. We therefore invite anyone who feels that they are willing and able to take on this role to contact the Churchwardens, or to speak with Peter directly. You will need to have experience with the use of spreadsheets and the Internet, and in understanding the basics of keeping Accounts. Peter is willing to assist anyone who relishes this challenge, and will guide them through the various tasks involved.

In preparation for the APCM, all Church organisations are asked to prepare the usual report on their activities over the past year. This should be submitted by today, to the usual 'notices' email address. Please let us have any photographs that you have of activities over the past year as well.

'Come and Sing' Crucifixion

On Palm Sunday evening at 6pm there will be a 'Come and Sing' Crucifixion (by John Stainer), with soloists from Oakham

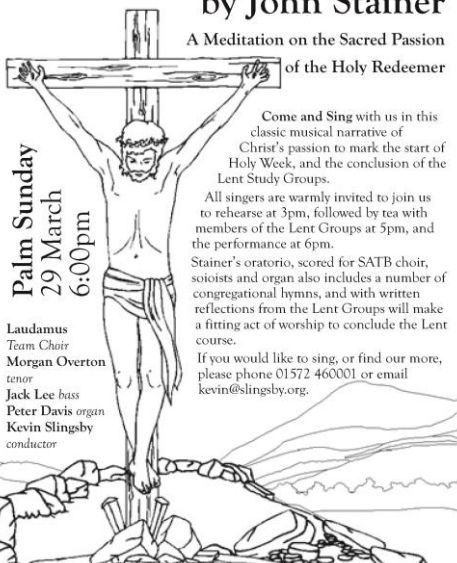
School. A rehearsal at 3pm will be followed by tea at 5pm, when members of the Lent Ecumenical Groups will join together at the end of their course. All singers are warmly invited to join us – if you are familiar with the work, or are a reasonable sight-reader, you can join us for the afternoon rehearsal, 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 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.



The Crucifixion by John Stainer

A Meditation on the Sacred Passion
of the Holy Redeemer



Palm Sunday
29 March
6:00pm

Laudamus
Team Choir
Morgan Overton
tenor
Jack Lee bass
Peter Davis organ
Kevin Slingsby
conductor

Come and Sing with us in this classic musical narrative of Christ's passion to mark the start of Holy Week, and the conclusion of the Lent Study Groups.

All singers are warmly invited to join us to rehearse at 3pm, followed by tea with members of the Lent Groups at 5pm, and the performance at 6pm.

Stainer's oratorio, scored for SATB choir, soloists and organ also 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.

If you would like to sing, or find out more, please phone 01572 460001 or email kevin@slingsby.org.



A service of quietness and devotion before rest at the end of the day, with meditation on different portions of the Passion

Monday 30 March – St Mary Ashwell
Address – *Revd Dr Dominic Coad*

Tuesday 31 March – St Andrew Hambleton
Address – *Revd Canon Lee Francis-Dehqani*



TENEBRAE SERVICE

Remembering Jesus' last days in readings and music.

Wednesday 1st April – 7.30pm



Lady Chapel
St Andrew's Church
Whissendine

As lights are extinguished, we ponder the depth of Christ's suffering and death; and through the return of the small but persistent flame of the Christ candle at the conclusion of the service, we anticipate the joy of ultimate victory.

Set within the context of a simple Supper.

Book in with Revd Janet Tebby by Monday March 30th
01664 474096; janet@oakhamteam.org.uk



Oakham Team Ministry

Good Friday Children's Activity Morning

St Andrew's Church
Whissendine
10:00am — 12:00pm
3rd April

come and explore the Easter story:

Crafts....
Film....
Songs....
Activities...



Contact Revd Janet Tebby for info and to register:
01664 474096 janet@oakhamteam.org.uk



Maundy Thursday

The liturgy brings us to the heart of Holy Week, as we enter into the mystery of Jesus' last days

The Washing of Feet

The Mass of The Last Supper

Procession of the Sacrament to the Altar of Repose

Stripping of the Sanctuary

Followed by the **Watch until Midnight**

as we respond to Jesus' words

'Could you not stay awake with me one hour?'

Thursday 2 April – 7:30pm

All Saints Oakham



3rd April

10:00am *Litany* at the *Chapel of St John & St Anne*
followed by *Walk of Witness* to the *Market Place*
with a short *Ecumenical Service* at *The Buttercross*

Three Hours Devotion with

12:00pm Liturgy

**(Ministry of the Word, Sung Passion,
Veneration of the Cross, Intercessions
& Holy Communion)**

followed from 1:00pm to 3:00pm by

Meditation, Hymns and Addresses

Preacher – Revd Dr Dominic Coad

All Saints Oakham



All Saints' Braunston

**Easter Day
Dawn Service
and Breakfast**

**5.30am
From Village Hall**

**The Easter Vigil
Service of Light
Renewal of Baptismal Vows
First Eucharist of Easter**

Services During The Week

<i>Monday</i> 23 Mar	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
<i>Tuesday</i> 24 Mar	8:30 Morning Prayer Oakham 10:00 Holy Communion Oakham	4:00 Evening Prayer Oakham
<i>Wednesday</i> 25 Mar	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> 26 Mar	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
<i>Friday</i> 27 Mar	8:30 Morning Prayer Oakham 9:00 Morning Prayer Langham 10:00 BCP Communion Oakham	11:30 Stations of the Cross Oakham 4:30 Evening Prayer Oakham 5:00 Evening Prayer Langham

Services Next Sunday – 29 March (Palm Sunday)

<i>Oakham</i>	8:00 Holy Communion (CW Trad) 10:30 Team Communion & Procession 6:00 Stainer's Crucifixion (Ecumenical Service)
<i>Whissendine</i>	11:00 Holy Communion & Procession
	No other services in the Team

Next Week's Readings at Holy Communion

Liturgy of the Palms: Mark 11.1-11

Liturgy of the Passion: Mark 14.1-15.47