



St Peter & St Paul Langham

Weekly Pewsheet

Service Details and Notices

Presentation of Christ in the Temple (*Candlemas*) Sunday 29 January 2017

Services in the Team today:

Oakham **8:00am** Holy Communion (CW Trad)
6:00pm Joint Service *at Oakham Methodist Church*

Langham **11:00am** TEAM HOLY COMMUNION*

NO OTHER SERVICES IN THE TEAM

*Common Worship (Contemporary)

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11:00am Team Holy Communion

The Gathering

Processional Hymn



1. Christ, whose glory fills the skies,
Christ the true, the only Light,
Sun of Righteousness, arise,
triumph o'er the shades of night;
Dayspring from on high, be near;
Daystar, in my heart appear.

2. Dark and cheerless is the morn
unaccompanied by thee;
joyless is the day's return,
till thy mercy's beams I see,
till they inward light impart,
glad my eyes, and warm my heart.

3. Visit then this soul of mine,
pierce the gloom of sin and grief;
fill me, radiance divine,
scatter all my unbelief;
more and more thyself display,
shining to the perfect day.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788) Music: Ratisbon, melody from Werner's Choralbuch Leipzig 1815, harmonised by William Henry Havergal (1793-1870) and William Henry Monk (1823-1889) (Ancient & Modern – 2)

The Greeting

In the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All **Amen.**

The Lord be with you
and also with you

All

Introduction

Dear friends, forty days ago we celebrated the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. Now we recall the day on which he was presented in the Temple, when he was offered to the Father and shown to his people. As a sign of his coming

among us, his mother was purified, as we now come to him for cleansing. In their old age Simeon and Anna recognized him as their Lord, as we today sing of his glory. In this eucharist, we celebrate both the joy of his coming and his searching judgement, looking back to the day of his birth and forward to the coming days of his passion.

Prayer of Preparation

Sit or kneel

All **Almighty God,**
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord.

Prayer of Penitence

Hear the words of our Saviour Jesus Christ:
'I am the light of the world.
Whoever follows me shall never walk in darkness
but shall have the light of life.'
Let us therefore bring our sins into his light
and confess them in penitence and faith.

All **Most merciful God,**
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly, love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God.
Amen.

The president declares God's forgiveness.

Gloria in Excelsis

Glory to God, glory in the highest.
Peace to his people, peace on earth.

**All: Glory to God, glory in the highest.
Peace to his people, peace on earth.**

Lord God, heavenly King,
Almighty God and Father.

**All: Glory to God, glory in the highest.
Peace to his people, peace on earth.**

We worship you,

All: Glory in the highest.

Give you thanks,

All: Glory in the highest.

Praise you for your glory.

**All: Glory to God, glory in the highest.
Peace to his people, peace on earth.**

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God,

You take away the sin of the world:

Have mercy on us.

All: Have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father:

Receive our prayer,

All: Receive our prayer.

Glory to God, glory in the highest.

Peace to his people, peace on earth.

**All: Glory to God, glory in the highest.
Peace to his people, peace on earth.**

For you alone are the Holy One,

You alone are the Lord,

You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,

With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God,

The glory of God the Father.

**All: Glory to God, glory in the highest.
Peace to his people, peace on earth.**

Amen, Amen.

The 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.**

¶ *The Liturgy of the Word*

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.

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

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.

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual 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)*

Gospel Reading – Luke 2.22-40

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

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.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Revd Canon Miles Baker – Director of Mission, Diocese of Peterborough

Sit

After the sermon, silence may be kept.

The Nicene Creed

Stand

All **We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;**

through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit
and the Virgin Mary
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified
under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge
the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.
Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

This response is used:

All Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer

And at the end

All Merciful Father,
accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

Preparation of the Table

*The gifts of the people are gathered and presented.
The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.*

The Eucharistic Prayer

Stand

All The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right and good,
always and everywhere to give you thanks and praise
through Jesus Christ, who is one with you from all eternity.

For on this day he appeared in the Temple
in substance of our flesh

to come near to us in judgement.

He searches the hearts of all your people
and brings to light the image of your splendour.

Your servant Simeon acclaimed him as the light to lighten the nations
while Anna spoke of him to all who looked for your redemption.

Destined for the falling and rising of many,
he was lifted high upon the cross

and a sword of sorrow pierced his mother's heart
when by his sacrifice he made our peace with you.

And now we rejoice and glorify your name
that we, too, have seen your salvation

and join with angels and archangels
in their unending hymn of praise:

(sung) **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Accept our praises, heavenly Father,
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,
and as we follow his example and obey his command,
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us his body and his blood;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember his offering of himself
made once for all upon the cross;
we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;
we look for the coming of your kingdom,
and with this bread and this cup
we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

All **Christ has died:**
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.

Accept through him, our great high priest,
this our sacrifice of thanks and praise,
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts
in the presence of your divine majesty,
renew us by your Spirit, inspire us with your love
and unite us in the body of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,
we worship you, Father almighty,
in songs of everlasting praise:

All **Blessing and honour and glory and power**
be yours for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Sit or kneel

Believing the promises of God,
let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

All **Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

We break the bread of life,
and that life is the light of the world.

All **God here among us,
light in the midst of us,
bring us to light and life.**

The Agnus Dei is sung

**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us peace.**

Giving of Communion

God's holy gifts
for God's holy people.

All **Jesus Christ is holy,
Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.**

All Christians are invited to receive communion. If you prefer to receive a blessing please indicate this, perhaps by carrying this service booklet with you.

Anthem

Nunc Dimittis in E flat – Edward Bairstow (1874-1946)

Communion Hymn



1. Like a candle flame,
flickering small in our darkness,
uncreated light shines through infant eyes.

*God is with us, alleluia,
come to save us, alleluia.*

2. Stars and angels sing,
yet the earth sleeps in shadows;
can this tiny spark set a world on fire?

3. Yet his light shall shine
from our lives, Spirit blazing,
as we touch the flame of his holy fire.

*Words & Music: Graham Kendrick (b 1950)
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Prayer after Communion

Sit or kneel

Silence is kept

All Father of all, we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

¶ The Candlemas Procession

Kindling of the Flame

Within your temple we ponder your loving kindness O Lord. As your name, so also your praise reaches to the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with justice.

A single candle is lit.

The light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of your people Israel.

The Nunc Dimittis is sung as the light is passed around the congregation.



1. Lord, now let your servant
Go his way in peace.
Your great love has brought me
Joy that will not cease.

2. For my eyes have seen him
Promised from of old,
Saviour of all people,
Shepherd of one fold.

3. Light of revelation
To the gentiles shown,
Light of Israel's glory
To the world made known.

4. Glory to the Father
And his only Son,
With the Holy Spirit
Ever three in one.

*Words: James Seddon (1915-1983) Music: North Coates, Timothy Richard Matthews (1826-1910)
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Prayer

Lord God, the springing source of everlasting light,
pour into the hearts of your faithful people
the brilliance of your eternal splendour,
that we, who by these kindling flames
light up this temple to your glory,
may have the darkness of our souls dispelled,
and so be counted worthy to stand before you
in that eternal city where you live and reign,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Processional Hymn

The ministers and choir lead the procession to the font, followed by the people. As they process they sing the following hymn.



1. Of the Father's heart begotten
ere the world from chaos rose,
he is Alpha: from that Fountain,
all that is and hath been flows;
he is Omega, of all things
yet to come the mystic Close,
evermore and evermore.
2. (*Ladies*) By his word was all created;
he commanded and 'twas done;
earth and sky and boundless ocean,
universe of three in one,
all that sees the moon's soft radiance,
all that breathes beneath the sun,
evermore and evermore.
3. (*Men*) He assumed this mortal body,
frail and feeble, doomed to die,
that the race from dust created
might not perish utterly,
which the dreadful Law had sentenced
in the depths of hell to lie,
evermore and evermore.
4. (*Ladies*) O how blest that wondrous birthday,
when the Maid the curse retrieved,
brought to birth mankind's salvation,
by the Holy Ghost conceived,
and the Babe, the world's Redeemer,
in her loving arms received,
evermore and evermore.
5. (*Men*) This is he, whom seer and sybil
sang in ages long gone by;
this is he of old revealèd
in the page of prophecy;
lo! he comes, the promised Saviour;
let the world his praises cry!
evermore and evermore.
6. (*All*) Sing, ye heights of heaven, his praises;
Angels and Archangels, sing!
wheresoe'er ye be, ye faithful,
let your joyous anthems ring,
every tongue his name confessing,
countless voices answering,
evermore and evermore. Amen.

Words: Corde natus ex parentis, Aurelius Clemens Prudentius (348-413), translated by Roby Furley Davis (1866-1937)

Music: Divinum Mysterium, melody from *Piae Cantiones* 1582, arranged by Stephen Cleobury
(*Ancient & Modern* – 80)

Final Responsory

Father, here we bring to an end our celebration of the Saviour's birth.

**Help us, in whom he has been born,
to live his life that has no end.**

Here we have offered the Church's sacrifice of praise.

**Help us, who have received the bread of life,
to be thankful for your gift.**

Here we have rejoiced with faithful Simeon and Anna.

**Help us, who have found the Lord in his temple,
to trust in your eternal promises.**

Here we have greeted the light of the world.

**Help us, who extinguish these candles,
never to forsake the light of Christ.**

The candles are extinguished

Here we stand near the place of baptism.

**Help us, who are marked with the cross,
to share the Lord's death and resurrection.**

Here we turn from Christ's birth to his passion.

**Help us, for whom Lent is near,
to enter deeply into the Easter mystery.**

Here we bless one another in your name.

**Help us, who now go in peace,
to shine with your light in the world.
Thanks be to God. Amen.**

The ministers and people depart.

Gloria: *Coventry Gloria*, Peter Jones, 1982

Sanctus & Benedictus: Christopher Tambling, 1988

Agnus Dei: *Elek Mathe*, John Barnard, 1988

Today

8:00am – **HOLY COMMUNION**

All Saints Oakham

11:00am – **TEAM HOLY COMMUNION**

St Peter & St Paul Langham

A celebration of The Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas) for the whole Team.

Preacher – Revd Canon Miles Baker,
Director of Mission for the Diocese of Peterborough.

6:00am – **JOINT EVENING WORSHIP**

Oakham Methodist Church

Visiting Preacher

NO OTHER SERVICES IN THE TEAM

This Week

WEDNESDAY 1 FEBRUARY

1:30pm – **MUSIC AT LUNCHTIME**

All Saints Oakham

Emma Farmer *cello*

Grieg 'Cello Sonata in A minor Op 36
(movts 1 & 2)

7:30pm-9:30pm – **JESUS AND THE CHURCH**

Ketton Church Hall

The first of four sessions, led by Bishop Donald, run as part of the Diocese's Discipleship Menu. See the separate poster or the website for more details. Book at bookings@peterborough-diocese.org.uk.

THURSDAY 2 FEBRUARY

12:30pm – **HENRIK IBSEN – A DOLLS HOUSE – Launde Abbey**

The second of three Literature Lectures & Lunch with Dr Jane Mackay. The lecture lasts about one hour. Cost £20, including lunch. Details from 01572 717254 or info@launde.org.uk.

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

Oakham Methodist Church

The changing images of Christ in paintings. Speaker: Canon Philip

Spence, Canon of St. Paul's Cathedral. Philip's art career has run alongside his church ministry both in the Methodist Church and the Church of England. A student at Stoke-on-Trent College of Art, his first job was as a figure painter with Royal Doulton Potteries. Over the years he has concentrated on cartoon drawing and illustrating books and magazines. More recently he has lectured on art and artists. This lecture will look at how the images of Christ have changed and developed over the centuries, and the part art has played in the life and mission of the Church. non-members welcome, £4.

FRIDAY 3 FEBRUARY

1:30pm – **MUSIC AT LUNCHTIME**

All Saints Oakham

John Dobson *piano*

A Composer's Life – The first of four Friday February concerts with the four piano sonatas of **Carl Maria**

von Weber, each preceded by a piece from **Franz Liszt's** *Années de pèlerinage*.

Franz Liszt Chapelle de Guillaume Tell from *Années de pèlerinage*: Suisse

Carl Maria von Weber Sonata No 1 in C major Op 24

SUNDAY 5 FEBRUARY

6:00pm – **ENCOUNTERING GOD IN HOLY PLACES**

St Peter & St Paul Langham

The first in a series of six talks in which local author Raymond Tomkinson draws on the Church's rich heritage in Christian spirituality to explore different aspects of encountering God as the source of grace for deeper engagement with God and with the world around us. Set within the service of **Word, Worship & Response**.

Looking Ahead

WEDNESDAY 8 FEBRUARY

1:30pm – **MUSIC AT LUNCHTIME**

All Saints Oakham

Morgan Overton *piano*

Gershwin Rhapsody in Blue

7:30pm-9:30pm – **JESUS AND THE CHURCH – Ketton Church Hall**

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THURSDAY 9 FEBRUARY

2:15pm – **OAKHAM & BRAUNSTON MOTHERS' UNION**

All Saints Oakham Church Hall

Our Church Warden Ann Blackett will be speaking about 'Love and Marriage in the 17th Century'. As usual all are welcome.

FRIDAY 10 FEBRUARY

1:30pm – **MUSIC AT LUNCHTIME**

All Saints Oakham

John Dobson *piano*

A Composer's Life – The Four Piano Sonatas of **Carl Maria von Weber**, each preceded by a piece from **Franz Liszt's** *Années de pèlerinage*.

Franz Liszt Sonetto 123 del Petrarca from *Années de pèlerinage*: Italie
Carl Maria von Weber Sonata No 2 in A flat major Op 39

Franz Liszt Sonetto 123 del Petrarca (Petrarch's Sonnet 123) from *Années de pèlerinage* – Deuxième année: Italie S 161 (Years of Pilgrimage – Second Year: Italy)

7:30pm – **RUTLAND THREE ARTS**

All Saints Oakham Church Hall

Clarinet Charisma: 'Clarinet Repertoire.' £3 admission charge for non-members.

TUESDAY 14 FEBRUARY

10:00am-12:00pm – **OPEN HOUSE**

Home of Elizabeth & Brian Nicholls, 28 Heron Road, Oakham

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

SUNDAY 26 FEBRUARY

3:30pm – HIGH SHERIFF'S RUTLAND SERVICE – Peterborough Cathedral

The High Sheriff will be hosting a service on Sunday 26th February at 3.30pm in Peterborough Cathedral to celebrate the county of Rutland. Tea, fizz and cake will be served after the service. Dr Furness is determined to fill the cathedral and the invitation is open to all. The Lord Lieutenant, Dr Laurence Howard, and the Rutland Sheriff from Vermont USA, Sheriff Stephen Bernard, will be in attendance.

MONDAY 27 FEBRUARY

7:00pm – FRIENDS' SHROVETIDE PARTY

All Saints Church Hall, Oakham

Cost £5. Usual format, good company, Gordon's quiz, good food. Sign-up sheet in church on the table.

Please note that it is on the Monday rather than Shrove Tuesday itself.

FRIDAY 3 MARCH

1:30pm – WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE

All Saints Oakham

SUNDAY 26 MARCH

11:45am – FRIENDS' OF ALL SAINTS OAKHAM AGM

All Saints Oakham

We will be looking to add active committee members. Contact Beryl Kirtland (01572 724103 or beryl.kirtland@oakhamteam.org.uk).

SUNDAY 2 APRIL

7:30pm – SONGS OF PRAISE 1997 All Saints Oakham

In celebration of 20 years of Rutland's regained independent status on 1 April 1997, we will be screening the episode of Songs of Praise that was broadcast by the BBC from Oakham in 1997. Come and see some familiar faces looking a little younger! Followed by refreshments.

WEDNESDAY 12 APRIL

7:30pm – COME AND SING STAINER'S CRUCIFIXION

St Peter Empingham

All are invited to come and sing this much-loved work. As there will only be one rehearsal (4:30pm tbc), singers will need to be familiar with the music beforehand. Some copies will be available to borrow, but please bring your own if you have one. Singers are asked to make a donation (suggested £2 each), to help cover the cost of expenses. Conducted by Jane McKee, with Andrew Reid, organ. Members of the congregation are also encouraged to come and support this act of devotion in Holy Week. Retiring collection. For further details, contact Jane McKee (janemckee21@gmail.com or 01780 762398).

Please pray for

- The family and friends of **Christopher Bradley**, whose funeral took place at Langham on Thursday;

- The family and friends of **Janet Gibbons**, whose funeral took place at Oakham on Friday;
- For the rescue of all those still trapped in Aleppo and Mosul;
- For the refugees that they may find safe refuge and a new life, and for all whose lives are torn apart by war and violence, especially the children;
- For Donald Trump and the people of America;
- For those trapped under extremist regimes and the hostages held by religious extremists and their families and friends, especially remembering the Nigerian girls;
- Victims of religious extremism and persecution especially in Sudan, CAR, Kenya, Syria, Somalia, Eritrea, North Korea, China, India, Northern Nigeria, Iran, Iraq, Egypt, and Pakistan;
- The Rutland Food Bank;
- The Drop-in Centre;
- Justin and John our Archbishops and Donald and John, our Bishops;
- Lee, Janet, Julie & Owen, our Team Clergy, and all lay members of the Ministry Team;
- Madeleine McCann and her family and all missing children.

Friends of All Saints

The Friends of All Saints Church URGENTLY need a Treasurer. The accounts are well organised on a spreadsheet to date. Can someone please look after uncomplicated finances of the group? Contact Beryl Kirtland (01572 724103 or beryl.kirtland@oakhamteam.org.uk).

Please also see the diary entries for forthcoming events – Shrovetide Party (27 February), AGM (26 March) and Songs of Praise 1997 (2 April).

Traidcraft Extra Date

The stall will be at Langham today after the 11:00am Candlemas service. The dates for February at All Saints Oakham are 5th and 19th after the 10:30am service. Denise.

Fundraising 1912 style

Richard Adams has passed on a copy of a brochure for a three-day bazaar held in the Victoria Hall in December 1912 to raise funds for All Saints Oakham. A packed programme included musical recitals, dramatic productions, sideshows and competitions (including Hat Trimming for Gentlemen, Nail Driving for Ladies, Candle Lighting with one match and Memory Test). The aim was to raise £600, primarily needed (a little ironically perhaps) to replace the church heating system! Have a look at the website if you'd like to see more...

Foodbank Update

A massive thank you to all who made contributions, sponsored hampers, packed hampers and volunteered in any capacity over the festive period. 170 hampers were assembled conveyor belt style in record time at the Oakham food bank then handed out to voucher holders at both Uppingham and Oakham along with

drinks and seasonal food. 19 families including 50 children from local schools were given packs to help them with the additional costs of the holidays. The food bank itself was busy too so all in all a real feeling of making a real difference to people who otherwise would have struggled. **The Foodbank is currently short of the following items – long-life fruit juice, packets of Smash, sponge puddings, long-life milk and washing-up liquid.** We have plenty of porridge oats, cereals, tea and baked beans at the moment.

Lent Course 2017

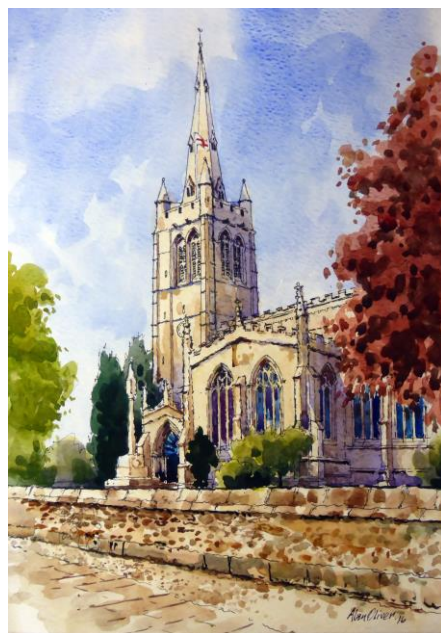
This year's Lent Course, organised by Churches Together in Oakham and District, looks at Receiving Christ in different ways. Please see the poster for full details, and sign up by Sunday 19 February.

Encountering God

A series of six talks in which local author Raymond Tomkinson draws on the Church's rich heritage in Christian spirituality to explore different aspects of encountering God as the source of grace for deeper engagement with God and with the world around us. Set within the service of Word, Worship & Response.

All Saints Oakham Cards

The Friends of All Saints Oakham are pleased to be able to offer for sale cards featuring Alan Oliver's new painting of the church (below). They are available by the South Door, or from Friends committee members, either in notelet size (£4 for a pack of 4), or larger greeting card size (£2 each). They are suitable for all sorts of occasions (the inside being blank), and proceeds will go to church funds.





The Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas)



8:00am Holy Communion
All Saints Oakham
11:00am Team Communion
St Peter & St Paul Langham
6:00pm Joint Evening Service
Oakham Methodist Church
Sunday 29th January



All Saints' Church Oakham

A Composer's Life

The Four Piano Sonatas of *Carl Maria von Weber*

Bring Sunshine into Dark February Days



Each Sonata will be
preceded by a piece
from **Franz Liszt's**
Années de pèlerinage

Performed by
John Dobson
piano

Admission Free
Retiring Collection
for Church Funds

Four Fridays in February at 1:30pm
3rd, 10th, 17th & 24th

JESUS AND THE CHURCH

Four evening sessions, 7.30-9.30pm
at Ketton Church Hall

Wednesdays February 1, 8, 15, 22

Bishop Donald will be leading the first two sessions

An opportunity to explore, ask questions and deepen our faith:

- Who is Jesus to us? Why does it matter?
- What is his call on our lives?
- Did he intend to start a church?
- Where do we find our place in his church and kingdom?
- What does that mean in practice?



Using the Bible, art, and music

This is for you, at whatever stage
you find yourself in your faith journey.

**Cost: £10 one-off fee for access to
all the modules in the Discipleship menu
(free to those who've already done a module)**



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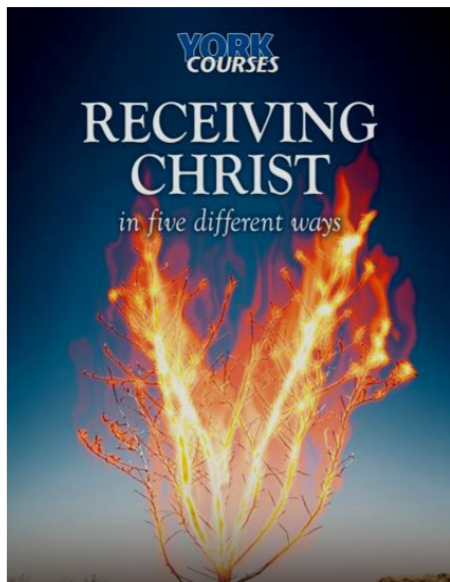
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Churches Together in Oakham and District
Lent Course 2017
RECEIVING CHRIST in 5 different ways
Written by Canon John Young



'To all who received him ... he gave power to become children of God.' (John 1.12.)

This raises big questions:
Aren't we all children of God anyway?
Just how can we receive Christ?
What does it mean to have 'a relationship with God'?

In a course crammed with discussable questions, John Young teases out from the New Testament at least three different ways in which we receive Christ. John's course booklet is supplemented by four leading Christians, from a variety of backgrounds, on the course CD. Together they demonstrate that St John's theology in his magisterial Gospel has very practical implications for our day-to-day lives.

- Session 1: Receiving Christ: as children of God**
- Session 2: Receiving Christ: in the stranger and the needy**
- Session 3: Receiving Christ: in Holy Communion**
- Session 4: Receiving Christ: through prayer and fellowship**
- Session 5: 'Christ in you, the hope of glory' (Colossians 1.27)**

The participants on the course CD are:

The Rt Revd Nick Baines, Bishop of Leeds

Margaret Sentamu

Revd Dr Ken Howcroft, former President of Methodist Conference

Theodora Hawksley, RC Sister and Theologian

If you would like to participate in this year's Lent Course, please sign up on the sheet in your church by **Sunday 19th February at the very latest.**

The courses will start in the week beginning **Monday 6th March.**

Encountering God...

Local author Raymond Tomkinson draws on the Church's rich heritage in Christian spirituality to explore different aspects of *Encountering God* as the source of grace for deeper engagement with God and with the world around us.

5 February – **Encountering God in Holy Places**

5 March – **Encountering God in Everyday Life**

2 April – **Encountering God in Music**

7 May – **Encountering God in Holy Scripture**

4 June – **Encountering God in Creation**

2 July – **Encountering God in Visual Images**

Raymond recently retired as chaplain, spiritual director and teacher in Christian spirituality at Ripon College Cuddesdon, an Anglican theological college and seminary near Oxford.

He has a background in monastic life, in nursing and as a parish priest. He has lived in Oakham with his wife Rose for the past ten years and near to their daughter, son-in-law and their two grandsons.

set in a service of

Word, Worship & Response

St Peter & St Paul Langham

First Sunday of the month at 6:00pm

Regular Groups & Activities

CHILDREN'S GROUPS

Pram & Toddler Service (age 0-4)
Mondays 2:00pm during term-time
Oakham Church

Tiny Tots (age 0-4). Thursdays 9:45am
during term-time. **Oakham Church**

Little Angels (age 0-4) Thursdays 10:30
(term-time) **Market Overton Church**

Sunday School (age 4-11)
Sundays 10:30am (except 3rd)
Oakham Church Hall

Fishes Club (up to age 10)
Sundays 11:00am (except 2nd)
Whissendine Church

ASH (All Saints Hub – aged 12/13)
Second/Fourth Sundays 10:30am
Oakham School Bowes Room

ASK (All Saints Kids – aged 14-16)
Second/Fourth Sundays 10:30am
Mayhew Room/OS Bowes Room

HOME GROUPS

Leader: Catriona Drye (770429)
2nd & 4th Tuesdays 10:30am
25 Willow Crescent, Oakham

Leader: Stan Bruce (756656)
2nd & 4th Wednesdays 7:30pm
19 Ashwell Road, Oakham

Leader: Patrick Wilson (723288)
2nd & 4th Thursdays 2:30pm
6 Peterborough Avenue, Oakham

Leader: Michael Hinman (722061) &
Monica Compton (755734)
2nd & 4th Mondays 7:30pm **Oakham**

Leader: Alan & Gail Rudge (755570)
Mondays fortnightly 7:30pm
34 Church Street, Braunston

Leader: Jo Gluning (767235) &
Janet Tebby (01664 474096)
Tuesdays fortnightly 2:30pm
20 Berrybushes, Market Overton

St Andrew's House Group – Leaders:
Revd Chris Bamber (01664 474360),
Jane Beynon (474882) & **Jeff Eaves**
(474454). Tuesdays fortnightly 11:00am
Whissendine (phone for venue)

CHOIR

Laudamus Joint Choir Practice
Tuesdays 7:00-8:30pm
Whissendine Church

Langham Choir Practice
Tuesdays before 1st, 2nd & 4th Sundays
12:00-1:00pm **Langham Church**

Market Overton Choir Practice
Tuesdays before 1st, 2nd & 4th Sundays
5:45-6:30pm **Market Overton Church**

BELL RINGING

Oakham Bells Tuesdays 7:30-9:00pm
Langham/Braunston/Brooke Bells
Wed 7:30pm 15/1/8 Feb

Whissendine Bells as announced

MOTHERS' UNION

Oakham & Braunston 2nd Thursday
2:15pm **Oakham Church Hall**;
Corporate Communion 3rd Wednesday
10:00am **Chapel of St John & St Anne**

OTHER GROUPS

Drop-In Centre Tea, coffee, chat &
lunch Wednesdays 10:00am-4:00pm
Oakham Congregational Church

Oasis Tea, coffee, biscuits and & chat
Fridays 10:30-11:30am
Oakham Church Mayhew Room

Open House Monthly coffee morning in
someone's home – see Diary for details..

Prayer Chain Prayer requests can be
made in strictest confidence to **Mary**
Willows (01572 756264) who will then
inform the chain.

Services During The Week

<i>Monday</i> 30 Jan	8:30 Morning Prayer Oakham	2:00 Pram & Toddler Oakham
<i>Tuesday</i> 31 Jan	8:30 Morning Prayer Oakham 10:00 Holy Communion Oakham	
<i>Wednesday</i> 1 Feb	8:30 Morning Prayer Oakham 10:00 Holy Communion J&A 11:00 BCP Communion Langham	12:00 CTiO Prayer Mtg Cong Ch 12:00 Healing Prayer Oakham 5:30 Meditation J&A
<i>Thursday</i> 2 Feb	9:00 Team Communion Oakham 9:45 Tiny Tots Oakham 10:30 Little Angels Market Overton	12:00 Ecumenical Prayer Oakham
<i>Friday</i> 3 Feb	8:30 Morning Prayer Oakham 10:00 BCP Communion Oakham	

Services Next Sunday – 5 February (The Fourth Sunday before Lent)

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

Next Sunday's Readings

Fourth Sunday before Lent: Isaiah 58.1-9a; 1 Corinthians 2.1-12; Matthew 5.13-20
Oakham Evensong: Amos 2.4-16; Ephesians 4.17-32