

# TEAM CONFIRMATION

## Second Sunday of Epiphany Sunday 14 January 2018

*Services in the Team today:*

<b>Oakham</b>	<b>8:00am</b> Holy Communion (CW Trad) <b>10:30am</b> TEAM CONFIRMATION <b>6:00pm</b> Evensong
<b>Brooke</b>	<b>8:00am</b> Holy Communion (BCP)

We welcome Rt Revd John Holbrook,  
Bishop of Brixworth, to confirm these  
candidates this morning

Lorna Nicholls  
Archie Foster  
Althea Doverty  
Rebecca Doverty  
Noah Murray  
Benito Kavanagh

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 sidesman

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# ¶ The Preparation

## Processional Hymn



1. Jesus calls us: o'er the tumult  
of our life's wild restless sea,  
day by day his sweet voice soundeth,  
saying, 'Christian, follow me':

2. As of old Saint Andrew heard it  
by the Galilean lake,  
turned from home and toil and kindred  
leaving all for his dear sake.

3. Jesus calls us from the worship  
of the vain world's golden store,  
from each idol that would keep us,  
saying, 'Christian, love Me more.'

4. In our joys and in our sorrows,  
days of toil and hours of ease,  
still he calls, in cares and pleasures,  
that we love him more than these.

5. Jesus calls us: by thy mercies,  
Saviour, make us hear thy call,  
give our hearts to thine obedience,  
serve and love thee best of all.

Words: Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895) Music: St Andrew, Edward Henry Thorne (1834-1916) (A & M – 324)

## Greeting

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**All Blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

There is one body and one spirit.

**All There is one hope to which we were called;**

one Lord, one faith, one baptism,

**All one God and Father of all.**

Peace be with you

**All and also with you.**

## Introduction

At our Lord's baptism in the river Jordan

God showed himself to all who have eyes to see and ears to hear.

The Father spoke from heaven, the Spirit descended as a dove  
and Jesus was anointed with power from on high.

Here is the door of faith, through which we enter the kingdom of heaven.

As children of God, we are adopted as his sons and daughters,  
and called out to proclaim the wonders of him

who called us out of darkness and into his marvellous light.

Almighty God,  
in Christ you make all things new:  
transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace,  
and in the renewal of our lives  
make known your heavenly glory;  
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.**

## ¶ *The Liturgy of the Word*

### **First Reading – 1 Samuel 3.1-10**

*Please sit*

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. Then the LORD called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' and he said, 'Here I am!' and ran to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call; lie down again.' So he went and lay down. The LORD called again, 'Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call, my son; lie down again.' Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, 'Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, "Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening."' So Samuel went and lay down in his place. Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' And Samuel said, 'Speak, for your servant is listening.'

*At the end of the reading*

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Gradual Hymn



As we are gathered, Jesus is here;  
one with each other, Jesus is here;  
joined by the Spirit, washed in the blood,  
part of the body, the church of God.  
As we are gathered, Jesus is here;  
one with each other, Jesus is here.

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## Gospel Reading – John 1.43-51

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, 'Follow me.' Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, 'We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.' Nathanael said to him, 'Can anything good come out of Nazareth?' Philip said to him, 'Come and see.' When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, 'Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!' Nathanael asked him, 'Where did you come to know me?' Jesus answered, 'I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.' Nathanael replied, 'Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!' Jesus answered, 'Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.' And he said to him, 'Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Sermon – Rt. Revd John Holbrook, Bishop of Brixworth**



## The Liturgy of Initiation

### Presentation of the Candidates

*The candidates for confirmation stand.*

*The bishop asks the candidates*

Have you been baptised in the name of the Father,  
and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit?

*Candidates* **I have.**

Are you ready with your own mouth  
and from your own heart  
to affirm your faith in Jesus Christ?

*Candidates* **I am.**

*The bishop addresses the whole congregation*

Faith is the gift of God to his people.  
In baptism the Lord is adding to our number those whom he is calling.  
People of God,  
will you welcome these candidates  
and uphold them in their life in Christ?

*All* **With the help of God, we will.**

### Decision

*The bishop addresses all the candidates*

In baptism, God calls us out of darkness into his marvellous light.  
To follow Christ means dying to sin and rising to new life with him.

Therefore I ask:

Do you reject the devil and all rebellion against God?

*Candidates* **I reject them.**

Do you renounce the deceit and corruption of evil?

*Candidates* **I renounce them.**

Do you repent of the sins that separate us from God and neighbour?

*Candidates* **I repent of them.**

Do you turn to Christ as Saviour?

*Candidates* **I turn to Christ.**

Do you submit to Christ as Lord?

*Candidates* **I submit to Christ.**

Do you come to Christ, the way, the truth and the life?

*Candidates* **I come to Christ.**

May God, who has given you the desire to follow Christ,  
give you also strength to continue in the Way.

*All* **Amen.**

## **Profession of Faith**

*The bishop addresses the congregation*

Brothers and sisters, I ask you to profess together with these candidates  
the faith of the Church.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

*All* **I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ?

*All* **I believe in Jesus Christ,  
his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge  
the living and the dead.**

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

*All* **I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## Confirmation

*The bishop and the candidates gather at the place of confirmation.  
The congregation is asked to kneel or sit.*

*All* Our help is in the name of the Lord  
**who has made heaven and earth.**

*All* Blessed be the name of the Lord  
**now and for ever. Amen.**

*The bishop extends his hands towards those to be confirmed*

*All* Almighty and ever-living God,  
you have given these your servants new birth  
in baptism by water and the Spirit,  
and have forgiven them all their sins.  
Let your Holy Spirit rest upon them:  
the Spirit of wisdom and understanding;  
the Spirit of counsel and inward strength;  
the Spirit of knowledge and true godliness;  
and let their delight be in the fear of the Lord.  
**Amen.**

*The Bishop addresses each candidate by name*

N, God has called you by name and made you his own.

*The Bishop anoints each of those on whom he has laid hands with the Oil of  
Chrism, as a sign of God's anointing Spirit.*

*He then lays his hand on the head of each, saying*

*All* Confirm, O Lord, your servant with your Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

*The Bishop invites the congregation to pray for those confirmed*

*All* **Defend, O Lord, these your servants  
with your heavenly grace,  
that they may continue yours for ever,  
and daily increase in your Holy Spirit more and more  
until they come to your everlasting kingdom.  
Amen**

## Commission

*The bishop addresses those who have just been confirmed.*

Those who are baptized are called to worship and serve God.

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship,  
in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

*Candidates* **With the help of God, I will.**

Will you persevere in resisting evil,  
and, whenever you fall into sin,  
repent and return to the Lord?

*Candidates* **With the help of God, I will.**

Will you proclaim by word and example  
the good news of God in Christ?

*Candidates* **With the help of God, I will.**

Will you seek and serve Christ in all people,  
loving your neighbour as yourself?

*Candidates* **With the help of God, I will.**

Will you acknowledge Christ's authority over human society,  
by prayer for the world and its leaders,  
by defending the weak,  
and by seeking peace and justice?

*Candidates* **With the help of God, I will.**

May Christ dwell in your hearts through faith,  
that you may be rooted and grounded in love  
and bring forth the fruit of the Spirit.

*Candidates* **Amen.**

## The Peace

*Stand*

*Bishop* If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation.  
The old has passed away; the new has come.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*All* **And also with you.**

## Offertory Hymn



1. Come down, O Love divine,  
seek thou this soul of mine,  
and visit it with thine own ardour glowing;  
O Comforter, draw near,  
within my heart appear,  
and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.
2. O let it freely burn,  
till earthly passions turn  
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;  
and let thy glorious light  
shine ever on my sight,  
and clothe me round, the while my  
path illuming.
3. Let holy charity  
mine outward vesture be,  
and lowliness become mine inner clothing:  
true lowliness of heart,  
which takes the humbler part,  
and o'er its own shortcomings weeps  
with loathing.
4. And so the yearning strong,  
with which the soul will long,  
shall far outpass the power of human telling;  
for none can guess its grace,  
till he become the place  
wherein the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.

Words: *Discendi, amor santo, Bianco da Siena (d 1434) tr Richard Frederick Littledale (1833-1890)*  
Music: *Down Ampney, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)*  
(*Ancient & Modern – 238*)

## ¶ The Liturgy of the Eucharist

### The Eucharistic Prayer

*Stand*

*Bishop*  
*All*

The Lord is here.  
**and also with you.**

*All*

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

*All*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

All honour and praise be yours always and everywhere,  
mighty creator, ever-living God,  
through Jesus Christ your only Son our Lord:  
for at this time we celebrate your glory  
made present in our midst.  
In the coming of the Magi  
the King of all the world was revealed to the nations.  
In the waters of baptism  
Jesus was revealed as the Christ,  
the Saviour sent to redeem us.  
In the water made wine  
the new creation was revealed at the wedding feast.  
Poverty was turned to riches, sorrow into joy.  
Therefore with all the angels of heaven  
we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of your name  
and sing our joyful hymn of praise:

*All (sung)* **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, (x2)  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest. (x2)**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest. (x2)**

We praise and bless you, loving Father,  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;  
and as we obey his command,  
send your Holy Spirit,  
that broken bread and wine outpoured  
may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends  
and, taking bread, he praised you.  
He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.  
Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:  
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.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,  
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice  
made once for all upon the cross.  
Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,  
we proclaim his death and resurrection  
until he comes in glory.

*All (sung)*

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

Lord of all life,  
help us to work together for that day  
when your kingdom comes  
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.  
Look with favour on your people,  
gather us in your loving arms  
and bring us with Mary and all the saints  
to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father,  
for ever and ever.

*All (sung)*

**Amen.**

## **Lord's Prayer**

*Sit or kneel*

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.  
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

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

*All* **Though we are many, we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.**

## Agnus Dei

*All (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 Bread and Wine

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. Amen.**

*The congregation comes to receive Communion, the newly-confirmed receiving first. We welcome all who would normally receive Communion in their own churches to do so here. If you would prefer to receive a blessing rather than the bread and wine, it is helpful if you indicate your intentions by bringing this booklet with you.*

*While Communion is being distributed, the choir sings the Anthem, and the following hymns are sung.*

## Anthem

Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness,  
make thy way plain before my face.  
For it is thou, Lord, thou, Lord, only,  
that makest me dwell in safety.

*Words: Psalms 5.8;4.9 Music: Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876)*

## Communion Hymns



1. Purify my heart, let me be as gold and precious silver.  
Purify my heart, let me be as gold, pure gold.

*Refiner's fire, My heart's one desire  
is to be holy, set apart for You, Lord.  
I choose to be holy, set apart for You my Master,  
ready to do Your will.*

2. Purify my heart, cleanse me from my sin and make me holy.  
Purify my heart, cleanse me from my sin deep within.

Words & Music: Brian Doerksen (b 1965)  
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1. There is a Redeemer,  
Jesus, God's own Son,  
precious Lamb of God, Messiah,  
Holy One.

*Thank you, O my Father,  
for giving us your Son,  
and leaving your Spirit  
till the work on earth is done.*

2. Jesus, my Redeemer,  
Name above all names,  
precious Lamb of God, Messiah,  
O for sinners slain.

3. When I stand in glory,  
I will see his face.  
and there I'll serve my King for ever  
in that holy place.

Words: Keith Green (1953-1982) & Melody Green (b 1946)  
Music: Melody Green (b 1946), arranged by Peter Moger (b 1964)  
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## Post Communion Prayer

God of glory,  
you nourish us with your Word  
who is the bread of life:  
fill us with your Holy Spirit  
that through us the light of your glory  
may shine in all the world.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### ¶ *The Sending Out*

#### Blessing

God, who in his Christ gives us a spring of water  
welling up to eternal life,  
perfect in you the image of his glory;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

*All* **Amen.**

#### Giving of Light

*The bishop gives those newly confirmed a candle lit from the Paschal Candle.*

God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness  
and has given us a place with the saints in light.

You have received the light of Christ;  
walk in this light all the days of your life.

*All* **Shine as a light in the world  
to the glory of God the Father.**

#### The Dismissal

Go in the light and peace of Christ.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

## Final Hymn

*During the hymn the bishop leads the newly confirmed through the church.*



1. Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?  
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?  
Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,  
will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?
2. Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?  
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?  
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?  
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?
3. Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?  
Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?  
Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen,  
and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?
4. Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?  
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?  
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around,  
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?
5. Lord your summons echoes true when you but call my name.  
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.  
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.  
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

*Word: John L Bell (b 1949) & Graham Maule (b 1958)  
Music: Kelvingrove, Trad Scottish melody, arr Christopher Tambling – AHON 834  
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## Today

10:30am – **CONFIRMATION**

**All Saints Oakham**

The Bishop of Brixworth will be with us for a Team Service of Confirmation. **There will be no other mid-morning services in the Team**, just 8:00am Communion at Oakham & Brooke, and 6:00pm Evensong at Oakham.

## This Week

### MONDAY 15 JANUARY

10:00am-12:00pm – **OPEN HOUSE**

**Home of Liz & Richard Plummer, 5 Suthern Close, Oakham**

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

### WEDNESDAY 17 JANUARY

1:30pm – **MUSIC AT LUNCHTIME**

**All Saints Oakham**

**Alina Maries-Reim** *cello*

**Vivaldi** Concerto in G minor, RV417

**Respighi** Adagio con variazioni

### FRIDAY 19 JANUARY

1:30pm – **MUSIC AT LUNCHTIME**

**All Saints Oakham**

**John Dobson** *piano*

**Edward Macdowell** Sonata No 1 Op 45 (Tragica)

See separate notice for more details.

## SATURDAY 20 JANUARY

8:30am – **CHURCHES TOGETHER BREAKFAST**

**Victoria Hall, Oakham**

Mr Mike Royal, from The Cinnamon Network will speak about the Network and its role in helping local churches to serve their communities. Cost £4 – tickets from Patrick or Marjorie Wilson, which should be paid for in advance. (01572 723288).

## SUNDAY 21 JANUARY

6:00pm – **ECUMENICAL SERVICE**

**All Saints Oakham**

Service during the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

## Looking Ahead

### TUESDAY 23 JANUARY

10:00am – **BIBLE STUDY**

**25 Willow Crescent, Oakham**

We are looking at what 'Faith' means. A welcome for newcomers. Enquiries to Catriona on 01572 770429.

7:30pm – **LENT COURSE TRAINING**

**All Saints Vicarage, Vicarage Road, Oakham**

Training session for Group Leaders.

### WEDNESDAY 24 JANUARY

1:30pm – **MUSIC AT LUNCHTIME**

**All Saints Oakham**

**William Collison** *tenor*

Italian love songs by **Caldara, Caccini, Giordani & Gluck**

## THURSDAY 25 JANUARY

10:00am – **TEAM WALKING GROUP**

*The White Lion Inn, Whissendine*

The next walk is approx. 5miles.

Please arrive at 10:00am to pre-order lunch ready for 10:15am start.

Gordon is to lead the walk across to Teigh, with time to visit its unique church. Conditions variable, weather dependant. **N.B. earlier start time.**

New walkers always welcome, simply turn up suitably attired. Group contact Dennis Corton on 01572 722272

## FRIDAY 26 JANUARY

1:30pm – **MUSIC AT LUNCHTIME**

*All Saints Oakham*

**John Dobson** *piano*

*Edward Macdowell* Sonata No 2 Op 50 (Eroica)

## FRIDAY 2 FEBRUARY

6:00pm – **SHARED SUPPER**

*All Saints Oakham*

A farewell supper for Julie - please let the office know by email or phone if you plan to come. Followed by...

7:30pm – **LEAVING SERVICE**

*All Saints Oakham*

On the Feast of the Presentation (Candlemas), the farewell service for our Team Vicar, Revd Canon Julie Hutchinson.

## SATURDAY 10 FEBRUARY

7:00pm – **QUIZ AND CHIPS**

*Langham Village Hall*

Teams of up to 8 - £10 peer head. In aid of Langham Parish Church.

## TUESDAY 13 FEBRUARY

7:00pm – **FRIENDS SHROVETIDE PARTY**

*All Saints Oakham Church Hall*

All the usual food and fun. Sign-up sheet on the table by the South Door at Oakham.

## ASH WEDNESDAY

### 14 FEBRUARY

10:00am – **HOLY COMMUNION**

*Chapel of St John & St Anne*

With imposition of ashes.

12:00pm – **BCP LITANY**

*All Saints Oakham*

With imposition of ashes (no communion)

7:30pm – **TEAM SUNG HOLY COMMUNION**

*St Edmund Egleton*

With imposition of ashes. The Team Choir Laudamus will sing.

## SUNDAY 18 FEBRUARY

10:30am – **TEAM HOLY COMMUNION**

*All Saints Oakham*

The farewell service for our Team Rector, Revd Canon Lee Francis-Dehqani. **There will be no other service in the Team today except 8:00am Communion at Oakham.**

## Please pray for

- The family and friends of **Betty Morris**, of Langham, whose funeral took place at Peterborough Crematorium on Monday;
- The family and friends of **Christina Dunmore**, whose funeral took place at Langham on Friday;
- For all those still trying to rebuild their lives after environmental disasters, especially the people affected by the forest fires and mudslides in California;
- The victims of the terror attacks and who continue to suffer from the effects of violence, especially the children;
- The situation with North Korea;
- The people still facing severe famine in Nigeria, Somalia, Southern Sudan and Yemen;
- Dedicated and effective action against climate change and the pollution of our seas;
- Those returning to Iraq and those in Syria as they try to rebuild their lives and for the plight of the refugees from Myanmar;
- Give thanks for the release of some of the Nigerian girls, and pray for those still held captive;
- 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 Brexit negotiations, that they may be conducted with wisdom and fairness;
- The Rutland Food Bank;
- The Drop-in Centre;

- Justin and John our Archbishops and Donald and John, our Bishops;
- Lee, Julie, Iain & Charlotte, our Team Clergy, and all lay members of the Ministry Team;
- Revd Deborah Marsh, as she and her husband Gary prepare to join our Ministry Team;
- Madeleine McCann and her family and all missing children.

## Appointment of Team Vicar

We are delighted to announce that, following interview and with the agreement of representatives of the Oakham Team Ministry (North) Parishes, Bishop Donald and Canon Lee Francis-Dehqani have invited the Reverend Deborah Marsh, currently Assistant Curate in the Living Brook Benefice, to become a Team Vicar within the Oakham Team Ministry, with responsibility for the parishes of Whissendine, Teigh, Ashwell and Market Overton. Deborah has accepted this post and, subject to the normal Church of England legal and administrative procedures, she will be licensed by the Bishop of Brixworth to her new role on Sunday 4 February 2018 at 3:00pm at St Andrew's, Whissendine. Bishop Donald, Archdeacon Gordon and the Team Rector are very grateful to all who helped with the preparation of the profile for this post, all the arrangements for the interview day and for the continuing and encouraging ministry of these parishes

in the service of Christ during this time. We ask for your prayers for Deborah and her husband Gary, as they prepare to move to Whissendine. **The Venerable Gordon Steele**, Archdeacon of Oakham.

## Music at Lunchtime – To a Wild Rose

In addition to the regular Wednesday concerts, there will be a short series of four **Friday concerts** this winter, in which **John Dobson** will play **Edward Macdowell's four piano sonatas**, which symmetrically surround the set of *Woodland Sketches* that give Edward Macdowell the *Fur Elise* moment – the ever popular and beautifully simple *To a Wild Rose*. Each of the sonatas will be preceded by this miniature along with one or more of the set of ten pieces.

## Treasurer Wanted

The Friends of All Saints Church is a social group, which conducts events and outings throughout the year for all members of the church community and also helps to raise money for a chosen charity each year. The committee are still looking for someone, who could act as Treasurer, to join their small and friendly group. This would not be an onerous position and would only involve meetings five or six times a year. If you feel that you could help, or if you would like a bit more information, please contact Liz Plummer (01572 720506, 07969 202624 or [liz.plummer@oakhamteam.org.uk](mailto:liz.plummer@oakhamteam.org.uk)).

## Foodbank Update

The Foodbank is currently short of the following items – sponge puddings, packets of smash, long life fruit juice, long life milk, deodorant, shower gel/soap, shampoo, razors & shaving foam, toothbrushes & toothpaste, washing-up liquid, washing powder/gel, nappies & toilet rolls. We have plenty of cereals and porridge, baked beans, tea, sanitary items, pasta and pasta sauces, fizzy drinks and cordials at the moment. Thanks as ever for your ongoing support.

## Foodbank Donations

We never cease to be amazed at the generosity of people in this area in helping those who, for whatever reason, have need of the Foodbank in Rutland. A special mention to those who did reverse advent calendars and those who sponsored a hamper. Many, many thanks to you all – it means so much to people less fortunate. Rutland Foodbank.

## Traidcraft Stall Pattern

The stall will be in Oakham Church after the 10:30 service on the following dates: today, 21 January, 4/11 February. An amazing amount of £1066 is the total for sales from last year's Christmas catalogue, thank you SO much to everyone who made a purchase, it really does make a difference. Thank you for your continued support. Denise (722729).

## Braunston Bat Update

The Heritage Lottery funded Bats in Churches Project has confirmed that it will provide funding in 2018 to implement temporary blocking of the bats' access routes from the south aisle ceiling space into the church and the subsequent surveys in 2018 to confirm there is no impact on the bats. The 2017 surveys concluded that the bats did not need to go inside the actual church. If the solution is successful, and can proceed without detriment to the bats, then it will most likely become a permanent installation. The work must be done during the last week in April 2018 to avoid disturbing the bats. Scaffolding will be erected inside the church under the south aisle to give access to the ceiling. And if it's successful there should be minimal bat poo inside the church. This is a fantastic result, the congregation is delighted and would like to say a big thank you to Sue Willetts who did all the hard work to get us accepted as a pilot church for this project. Watch out for details of summer 2018 bat events where we will have a detailed opportunity again to watch the bats and when we will share the full results of the 2017 surveys which identified in detail how the various species are using the church.



### What does an acolyte do?

We support the clergy with the service, such as holding the gospel, providing the bread and wine and holding the collection plate. When we are fully staffed the Thurifer will prepare the incense and ensure it is ready during key times in the service.

## Coffee & Tea

The team that provide coffee and tea after the 10:30 service at Oakham could do with a few more members – if you feel that you could help, please contact Jill Welsh (01572 722123 or [jill.welsh@oakhamteam.org.uk](mailto:jill.welsh@oakhamteam.org.uk))

## Kairos Prison Mission

Kairos will be repeating last year's very successful mission to Stocken Prison from 12-16 March 2018, and will be seeking help to bake biscuits, create a prayer chain, and to join the visiting team during the week itself. Cathy Dyson will be preaching at Oakham about the mission on Sunday 25 February.

## Leaving Presents

The Oakham churchwardens are organising leaving presents for Lee and Guli, and if you would like to make a contribution you can do so directly to them, or via the village churchwardens.



### What is the right age for an Acolyte

Old enough to hold a candle safely and young enough to walk down the aisle!

### If interested, please contact Monica Compton

Telephone: 01572 755734

Mobile: 07712 648828

Email: [andmcompton@btinternet.com](mailto:andmcompton@btinternet.com)





Langham Village Hall



# QUIZ & Chips Night

*Fundraiser for  
Langham  
Parish Church*



£10 (includes fish & chips)  
Teams of up to eight \* Pay bar

*Phone Debbie (723533) or Hilary (757435) or email  
langham@oakhamteam.org.uk if you`d like to book a table!*

**Saturday 10th February  
7:00pm**

[www.oakhamteam.org.uk/langham](http://www.oakhamteam.org.uk/langham)

FRIENDS OF ALL SAINTS CHURCH  
OAKHAM

**SHROVETIDE  
PARTY**

ON

**Tuesday 13th  
February**

AT

**7PM**

IN THE

**CHURCH HALL**

COST

**£5.00** PAY AT THE DOOR

FOOD AND ENTERTAINMENT  
BRING YOUR OWN WINE OR BEER  
NAMES ON LIST IN CHURCH FOR  
CATERING PLEASE

# **That All May Be Free**



**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2018**

**Saturday 20 January**  
Churches Together Breakfast

**Sunday 21 January**  
Pulpit Exchange at morning services  
6:00pm Ecumenical Service at Oakham

**CHURCHES TOGETHER**  
In Oakham and District

**BREAKFAST**

**SATURDAY 20TH JANUARY 2018**

**Victoria Hall, at 8.30 am**

***Mr. Mike Royal***

**of**

***The Cinnamon Network***



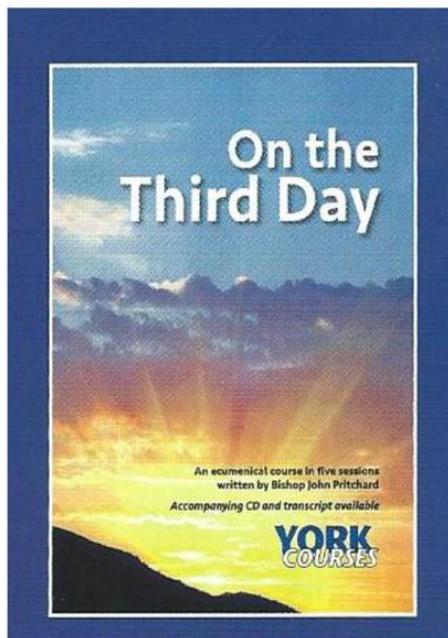
**Will speak about the Network  
and  
Its rôle in helping local churches  
to serve their communities**

**Tickets : £4.00 Available from:**

**Patrick or Marjorie Wilson**

**01572 723 288**

## Churches Together in Oakham and District York Lent Course 2018



“The resurrection is the Big Story that turned a little Jewish protest movement into a world transforming religion. And yet by Easter Monday we’ve almost forgotten about it and are planning our summer holidays.

How can we recapture the explosive power of the resurrection that ricocheted around the world?

How can we live in the glow of resurrection and be an Easter people?

How can ‘there and then’ become ‘here and now’?”

Featuring: Libby Lane, Bishop of Stockport  
Tom Wright, former Bishop of Durham and NT Scholar  
Ruth Gee, former President of the Methodist Conference  
Paul Vallely, Roman Catholic journalist and broadcaster

- Session 1: Have I got news for you!  
Session 2: So What? The implications of the Resurrection  
Session 3: Let him Easter in us  
Session 4: Celebrating and praying Easter  
Session 5: A risen Church

If you would like to participate in this year’s Lent Course, please sign up on the sheet in your church by **Sunday 4th February at the very latest.**

**The courses will start in the week beginning Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February.**

# Regular Groups & Activities

## CHILDREN'S GROUPS

**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 5-11)  
Sundays 10:30am (except 3rd)  
**Oakham Church Hall**

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

**ASH&ASK** (All Saints Hub/Kids – aged 11-16) Second/Fourth Sundays 10:30am in term time  
**Oakham School Bowes Room**

## HOME GROUPS

**Leader: Catriona Drye** (770429)  
2nd & 4th Tuesdays 10:00am  
**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**

**St Andrew's House Group** – Leaders: **Revd Chris Bamber** (01664 474360), **Jane Beynon** (474882) & **Catherine Wilson** (474556). 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  
11:00am-12:00pm **Langham Church**

## BELL RINGING

**Oakham Bells** Tuesdays 7:30-9:00pm  
**Langham/Braunston/Brooke Bells**  
Wed 7:30pm 31/17/24 Jan  
**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> <i>15 Jan</i>	8:30 <b>Morning Prayer</b> <i>Oakham</i>	1:30 <b>Funeral</b> <i>Beryl Suter Langham</i> 2:30 <b>Funeral</b> <i>Sheila Hoare Hambleton</i>
<i>Tuesday</i> <i>16 Jan</i>	8:30 <b>Morning Prayer</b> <i>Oakham</i> 10:00 <b>Holy Communion</b> <i>Oakham</i>	
<i>Wednesday</i> <i>17 Jan</i>	8:30 <b>Morning Prayer</b> <i>Oakham</i> 10:00 <b>MU Corporate Com</b> <i>J&amp;A</i>	12:00 <b>CTiO Prayer Mtg</b> <i>Cong Ch</i> 5:30 <b>Meditation</b> <i>J&amp;A</i>
<i>Thursday</i> <i>18 Jan</i>	9:00 <b>Team Communion</b> <i>Oakham</i> 9:45 <b>Tiny Tots</b> <i>Oakham</i> 10:30 <b>Little Angels</b> <i>Market Overton</i>	12:00 <b>Ecumenical Prayer</b> <i>Oakham</i> 2:00 <b>Funeral</b> <i>Alan Hudson Market Overton</i>
<i>Friday</i> <i>19 Jan</i>	8:30 <b>Morning Prayer</b> <i>Oakham</i> 10:00 <b>BCP Communion</b> <i>Oakham</i>	2:00 <b>Funeral</b> <i>Evelyn Adcock Whissendine</i>

## Services Next Sunday - 21 January (Third Sunday of Epiphany)

<i>Oakham</i>	8:00 <b>Holy Communion</b> (CW Trad) 10:30 <b>Family Communion</b>	6:00 <b>Christian Unity Week Service</b>
<i>Whissendine</i>	11:00 <b>Holy Communion</b>	
<i>Teigh</i>		4:00 <b>Evensong</b>
<i>Market Overton</i>		
<i>Ashwell</i>		
<i>Langham</i>		
<i>Braunston</i>	11:00 <b>Holy Communion</b>	
<i>Brooke</i>		6:00 <b>Evensong</b>
<i>Hambleton</i>		
<i>Egleton</i>	9:15 <b>Holy Communion</b> (CW Trad)	

## Next Sunday's Readings

*Third of Epiphany: Psalm 128; Genesis 14.17-20; Revelation 19.6-10; John 2.1-11*  
*Oakham Evensong: Psalms 33; Jeremiah 3.21-4.2; Titus 2.1-8,11-14*