

# Weekly Pewsheet

*Service Details and Notices*

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## First Sunday of Lent

### Sunday 18 February 2018

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*Services in the Team today:*

**Oakham 8:00am Holy Communion (CW Trad)**

**10:30am TEAM HOLY COMMUNION**

**Leaving Service for  
Revd Canon Lee Francis-Dehqani, Team Rector**

No other services in the Team

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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# 8:00am Holy Communion

The Order of Service is contained in the separate Service Book.

# 10:30am Team Holy Communion

## The Gathering

### Processional Hymn



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| <p>1. Forty days and forty nights<br/>thou wast fasting in the wild;<br/>forty days and forty nights<br/>tempted, and yet undefiled:</p> <p>2. Sunbeams scorching all the day;<br/>chilly dew-drops nightly shed;<br/>prowling beasts about thy way;<br/>stones thy pillow, earth thy bed.</p> <p>3. Shall not we thy sorrows share,<br/>and from earthly joys abstain,<br/>fasting with unceasing prayer,<br/>glad with thee to suffer pain?</p> | <p>4. And if Satan, vexing sore,<br/>Flesh or spirit should assail,<br/>thou, his vanquisher before,<br/>grant we may not faint nor fail.</p> <p>5. So shall we have peace divine,<br/>holier gladness ours shall be,<br/>round us too shall angels shine,<br/>such as ministered to thee.</p> <p>6. Keep, O keep us, Saviour dear,<br/>ever constant by thy side;<br/>that with thee we may appear<br/>at the eternal Eastertide.</p> |
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Words: G H Smyttan (1822-1870) & Francis Pott (1832-1909)  
Music: Aus der tiefe, Nürnbergisches Gesangbuch 1676  
(Ancient & Modern – 121)

### 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**

## 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

*After the penitential sentences the Kyrie eleison is sung*

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit;  
a broken and contrite heart God will not despise.  
Let us come to the Lord, who is full of compassion,  
and acknowledge our transgressions in penitence and faith.

Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness  
and cleanse me from my sin:

**All** **Lord, have mercy.**  
**Lord, have mercy.**

Make me a clean heart, O God,  
and renew a right spirit within me:

**All** **Christ, have mercy.**  
**Christ, have mercy.**

Cast me not away from your presence  
and take not your holy spirit from me:

**All** **Lord, have mercy.**  
**Lord, have mercy.**

*The president declares God's forgiveness.*

## The Collect

Let us pray

Almighty God,  
whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness,  
and was tempted as we are, yet without sin:  
give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit;  
and, as you know our weakness,  
so may we know your power to save;  
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.

*All* **Amen.**

## *The Liturgy of the Word*

### **First Reading – Genesis 9.8-17**

Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, ‘As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.’ God said, ‘This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.’ God said to Noah, ‘This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.’

This is the word of the Lord.

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

## Gradual Hymn



1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,  
be all else but naught to me, save that thou art;  
be thou my best thought in the day and the night,  
both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.
2. Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word,  
be thou ever with me, and I with thee, Lord;  
be thou my great Father, and I thy true son;  
be thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.
3. Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight;  
be thou my whole armour, be thou my true might;  
be thou my soul's shelter, be thou my strong tower:  
O raise thou me heavenward, great Power of my power.
4. Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise:  
be thou mine inheritance now and always;  
be thou and thou only the first in my heart,  
O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure thou art.
5. High King of heaven, thou heaven's bright Sun,  
O grant me its joys after victory is won;  
great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

Words: *Irish (c 8th century), tr Mary Elizabeth Byrne (1880-1931), versified Eleanor Henrietta Hull (1860-1935)*  
Music: *Slane, Irish traditional melody, harm Erik Routley (1917-1982)*  
*(Ancient & Modern – 595)*

## Second Reading – 1 Peter 3.18-22

Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you – not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel – Mark 1.9-15

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

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

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.' And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him. Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

## Sermon

*Sit*

## The Nicene Creed

### *Stand*

Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

*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 may be 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.**

## ¶ *The Liturgy of the Sacrament*

### The Peace

*Stand*

Since we are justified by faith,  
we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who has given us access to his grace.

*All* The peace of the Lord be always with you  
**and also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*You are now invited to exchange a sign of this peace in greeting your neighbours.*

## Offertory Hymn

*During this hymn the offerings will be received.*



1. How shall I sing that majesty  
which angels do admire?  
Let dust in dust and silence lie;  
sing, sing, ye heavenly choir.  
Thousands of thousands stand around  
thy throne, O God most high;  
ten thousand times ten thousand sound  
thy praise; but who am I?  
2. Thy brightness unto them appears,  
while I thy footsteps trace;  
a sound of God comes to my ears,  
but they behold thy face.  
They sing, because thou art their sun;  
Lord, send a beam on me;  
for where heaven is but once begun  
there alleluias be.

3. Enlighten with faith's light my heart,  
in flame it with love's fire;  
then shall I sing and bear a part  
with that celestial choir.  
I shall, I fear, be dark and cold,  
with all my fire and light;  
yet when thou dost accept their gold,  
Lord, treasure up my mite.  
4. How great a being, Lord, is thine,  
which doth all beings keep!  
Thy knowledge is the only line  
to sound so vast a deep.  
thou art a sea without a shore,  
a sun without a sphere;  
thy time is now and evermore,  
thy place is everywhere.

*Word: John Mason (1646-1694)  
Music: Coe Fen, Ken Naylor (1931-1991)  
(Ancient & Modern – 663)*

## 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  
to give you thanks and praise,  
almighty God and everlasting Father,  
through Jesus Christ your Son.  
For in these forty days  
you lead us into the desert of repentance  
that through a pilgrimage of prayer and discipline  
we may grow in grace  
and learn to be your people once again.  
Through fasting, prayer and acts of service  
you bring us back to your generous heart.  
Through study of your holy word  
you open our eyes to your presence in the world  
and free our hands to welcome others  
into the radiant splendour of your love.  
As we prepare to celebrate the Easter feast  
with joyful hearts and minds  
we bless you for your mercy  
and join with saints and angels  
for ever praising you and singing:

*(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.**

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
and according to your holy will,  
these gifts of bread and wine  
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

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.

Jesus Christ is Lord:

*All* **Lord, by your cross and resurrection  
you have set us free.  
You are the Saviour of the world.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,  
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;  
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,  
and looking for his coming in glory,  
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.  
As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,  
we bring before you this bread and this cup  
and we thank you for counting us worthy  
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people  
and gather into one in your kingdom  
all who share this one bread and one cup,  
so that we, in the company of [N and] all the saints,  
may praise and glorify you for ever,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,  
for ever and ever.

*All* **Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

*Sit or kneel*

Lord Jesus, remember us in your kingdom  
and teach us to pray.

*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 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.**

*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

Jesus is the Lamb of God  
who takes away the sin of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

*All* **Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,  
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

**All** We do not presume  
to come to this your table, merciful Lord,  
trusting in our own righteousness,  
but in your manifold and great mercies.  
We are not worthy  
so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table.  
But you are the same Lord  
whose nature is always to have mercy.  
Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,  
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ  
and to drink his blood,  
that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body  
and our souls washed through his most precious blood,  
and that we may evermore dwell in him and he in us.  
**Amen.**

*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.*

## **Music during Communion**

Song of a Minstrel – Alexander Glazunov (1865-1936)  
*played by Gabriel Francis-Dehqani (cello) and Peter Davis (piano)*

## **Communion Anthem**

O Saviour of the world, who by thy Cross and precious Blood hast redeemed us,  
save us, and help us, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord. Amen.

*Words: Antiphon of the Holy Cross  
Music: John Goss (1800-1880)*

## Communion Hymns



*Do not be afraid, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by your name; you are mine.*

1. When you walk through the waters I'll be with you. You will never sink beneath the waves.
2. When the fire is burning all around you, you will never be consumed by the flames.
3. When the fear of loneliness is looming, then remember I am at your side.
4. When you dwell in the exile of the stranger, remember you are precious in my eyes.
5. You are mine, O my child, I am your Father, and I love you with a perfect love.

*Words & Music: based on Isaiah 43.1-4, Gerard Markland (b 1953)  
© 1978 Kevin Mayhew Ltd  
(Ancient & Modern – 330)*



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

*Words & Music: Brian Doerksen (b 1965)  
© 1990 Vineyard Songs and ION Publishing  
(Ancient & Modern – 373)*

## Prayer after Communion

*Sit or kneel. Silence is kept.*

Lord God,  
you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven;  
by it you nourish our faith,  
increase our hope,  
and strengthen our love:  
teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread,  
and enable us to live by every word  
that proceeds from out of your mouth;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

*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.**

**Final Hymn**



1. Jerusalem the golden,  
with milk and honey blest,  
beneath thy contemplation  
sink heart and voice opprest.  
I know not, O I know not  
what joys await us there,  
what radiancy of glory,  
what bliss beyond compare.

2. They stand, those halls of Sion,  
conjubilant with song,  
and bright with many an angel,  
and all the martyr throng;  
the Prince is ever with them,  
the daylight is serene;  
the pastures of the blessèd  
are decked in glorious sheen.

3. There is the throne of David;

and there, from care released,  
the shout of them that triumph,  
the song of them that feast;  
and they, who with their leader  
have conquered in the fight,  
for ever and for ever  
are clad in robes of white.

4. Oh, sweet and blessèd country,  
the home of God's elect!  
Oh, sweet and blessèd country,  
that eager hearts expect!  
Jesu, in mercy bring us  
to that dear land of rest;  
who art, with God the Father  
and Spirit, ever blest.

*Words: Urbs Sion aurea, Bernard of Cluny (12th century), tr John Mason Neale (1919-1866)  
Music: Ewing, Alexander Ewing (1830-1895) (Ancient & Modern – 683)*

## Blessing

May God the Father,  
who does not despise the broken spirit,  
give to you a contrite heart.

*All* **Amen.**

May Christ,  
who bore our sins in his body on the tree,  
heal you by his wounds.

*All* **Amen.**

May the Holy Spirit,  
who leads us into all truth,  
speak to you words of pardon and peace.

*All* **Amen.**

And the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you, and remain with you always.

*All* **Amen.**

## The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*All* **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

## Today

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.**

## This Week

### WEDNESDAY 21 FEBRUARY

1:30pm – **MUSIC AT LUNCHTIME**

**All Saints Oakham**

**Morgan Overton** *tenor* & **Vocal Ensemble**

**Dove** Two Arias from There was a child  
**Finzi** Clear and gentle stream  
**Muhly** A New Song

### THURSDAY 22 FEBRUARY

10:30am – **TEAM WALKING GROUP**

**The Royal Oak, Duddington**

The next walk is from the Royal Oak (arrive 10:15am to pre-order lunch), and is approx. 5 miles within Fineshades Wood where the terrain is generally good throughout. New walkers always welcome just turn up suitably attired. Group contact Dennis Corton on 01572 722272.

### FRIDAY 23 FEBRUARY

11:30am – **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

**All Saints Oakham**

Every Friday during Lent.

12:00pm – **LENT LUNCH**

**All Saints Church Hall, Oakham**

Organised by Churches Together in Oakham, and prepared by All Saints. Every Friday until 23 March.

### SATURDAY 24 FEB / 3 MAR

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

**Peterborough Cathedral (24 Feb)**

**Northampton High School (3 Mar)**

A day of studying the Bible with Bishop Donald. Open to anyone who is interested in learning more about the Bible. Free (donations welcome). Further details and booking information on the website.

### SUNDAY 25 FEBRUARY

10:30am – **ALL SAINTS YOUTH**

**Bowes Room, Oakham School**

Session 2 – *Hassles*

## Looking Ahead

### WEDNESDAY 28 FEBRUARY

1:30pm – **MUSIC AT LUNCHTIME**

**All Saints Oakham**

**Rupert Fell** *oboe*

Oboe music from across the ages

### THURSDAY 1 MARCH

10:45am – **PARTNERING TO HELP HOMELESS PEOPLE MEETING**

**Oakham Baptist Church**

Please see separate notice for details.

7:30pm – **CINEMA FOR RUTLAND**

**Rutland County Museum**

**Things to Come.**

## **FRIDAY 2 MARCH**

11:30am – **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

*All Saints Oakham*

Every Friday during Lent.

12:00pm – **LENT LUNCH**

*All Saints Church Hall, Oakham*

Organised by Churches Together in Oakham, and prepared by the Methodist Church. Every Friday until 23 March.

## **SATURDAY 3 MARCH**

1:00-3:00pm – **JUMBLE SALE**

*St Nicholas Thistleton*

30p admission. In aid of Friends of Thistleton Church.

5:30pm – **RSCM AWARD HOLDERS EVENSONG**

*Peterborough Cathedral*

Rehearsal at 2:00pm.

## **SUNDAY 4 MARCH**

12:00pm – **FRIENDS OF ALL SAINTS AGM**

*All Saints Oakham*

After the morning service.

7:30pm – **TRUTH & TRUFFLES**

*Rutland County Museum*

A fun evening of wit, wine and song, presented by Drama for Rutland.

7:30pm – **OAKHAM CHORAL SOCIETY CONCERT**

*Oakham School Chapel*

*Haydn* The Creation (parts 1 & 2)

*Wesley* Blessed be the God and Father

Tickets £8 from Walkers of Oakham.

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## **SATURDAY 10 MARCH**

12:30pm – **LENT LUNCH**

*Langham Village Hall*

Please phone Debbie (01572 723533) or Hilary (01572 757435) to book.

## **SUNDAY 11 MARCH**

9:00am – **BREAKFAST & MOTHERING SUNDAY SERVICE**

*Braunston Village Hall*

Continental breakfast followed by informal service. All welcome.

10:30am – **MOTHERING SUNDAY FAMILY COMMUNION**

*All Saints Oakham*

Swapped from the usual third Sunday this month.

## **SATURDAY 17 MARCH**

7:30pm – **RUTLAND CONCERT BAND**

*St Peter & St Paul Langham*

Bar open and refreshments from 7:00pm, Tickets £10 from Debbie (01572 723533) or Hilary (01572 757435).

## **SUNDAY 25 MARCH**

10:30am – **TEAM PALM SUNDAY PROCESSION & COMMUNION**

*All Saints Oakham*

With dramatized Gospel reading.

2:30pm – **CIVIC SERVICE**

*All Saints Oakham*

Marking retirement of Laurence Howard as Lord Lieutenant.

6:00pm – **ECUMENICAL SERVICE**

*Oakham Methodist Church*

Marking the end of the Lent Groups.

## Please pray for

- The family and friends of **Albert Flavell**, whose funeral took place at Oakham on Monday;
- The family and friends of **Marjorie Lombard**, whose funeral took place at Oakham on Tuesday;
- The family and friends of **Shirley Olley**, whose funeral took place at Oakham on Wednesday;
- The family and friends of **Grace Mary Sykes**, of Oakham, whose funeral took place at Great Glen Crematorium on Thursday;
- The family and friends of **Joan Wild**, whose funeral took place at Oakham on Friday;
- The family and friends of **Dorothy Watson**, whose funeral took place at Braunston on Friday;
- The family and friends of **Rowena Purton**, whose funeral took place at the Crematorium on Saturday;
- The family and friends of **Jill Wellings** of Braunston, who died recently;
- For the people of South Africa, especially the people of Cape Town;
- All those still trying to rebuild their lives after environmental disasters, especially the people in California;
- Those whose jobs are threatened by the collapse of Carillion;
- 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, Deborah, Iain & Charlotte, our Team Clergy, and all lay members of the Ministry Team;
- Julie and Phillip, as they prepare to move;
- Madeleine McCann and her family and all missing children.

## Partnering to Help Homeless People

People in Oakham churches worry about how best to care for homeless people in Oakham, especially over this harsh winter. While Rutland County Council's social services provide a range of services to care for and support people in difficulties, often in ways we are not aware of. A small group from the churches have been exploring how we can partner with RCC: to target what we can do, so our efforts complement and extend theirs. To this end, we are organising an introductory meeting so that church people can meet the relevant council officers, and discuss what kinds of support and training would help us to help those in need. The meeting is Thursday 1 March at 10:45-12:00 in Oakham Baptist Church. It would help us to get the right-size venue if those planning to go would kindly let Revd Iain Osborne know.

## Lent Groups

The Lent groups start this week, and you will know by now which group you are in. However, if you are not able to take part in a group, there is still an opportunity to join in the discussion online through a special forum which has been set up on the Churches Together website ([www.oakham.church](http://www.oakham.church)). Even if you are in a group, you are still very welcome to join in the online forum as well.

## 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. Kairos is a Christian Mission which goes into prisons to show the transforming love of Jesus Christ to inmates. Kairos is a five day programme which explains and demonstrates the Christian faith in action. Through the Bible, personal testimony and unconditional love, inmates come to understand that they can be forgiven, accepted and transformed through encountering Jesus. The impact of Kairos on inmates is miraculous and reoffending rates in prisoners who have been on a Kairos programme are almost non-existent. The impact is so significant that prison authorities and the government are now actively inviting Kairos teams into UK prisons to work with groups of inmates. Last year a team went into Stocken Prison and at the end of the week 16 inmates made a commitment to Jesus and their lives were visibly transformed. Next month a team of 25 of us are returning to Stocken to work with another group of men. There are several ways in which Christians in communities local to the prison can support the mission: (1) bake a batch of 35 cookies. One tangible way of showing the limitless and unconditional love of Jesus is to

give every single inmate, officer and member of staff at the prison – whether they are directly involved with the mission or not – a batch of cookies. We have committed to providing 10,500 cookies so we are reliant on local bakers! (2) pray for the mission and complete prayer slips which will be strung around the prison chapel as prayer chains. (3) make a financial donation. This is an amazing opportunity for all of us to put our faith into action and to reach out to the lost, the last and the least in our society, just as Jesus would do. If you would like to be involved, please see the website for more information.

## **Steven Grahl to leave Peterborough**

Steven Grahl, Director of Music at Peterborough Cathedral, has been appointed as Organist at Christ Church Oxford from September. More details on the website.

## **Oakham Road Closures**

You may have seen the signs, but please be aware that parts of Church Street will be closed for resurfacing works during the weeks beginning 12th and 19th February (Monday to Friday only). During the first week (12-16 February) the northern part will be closed, from a point halfway between the entrance and exit to the car park and Station Road (as well as

the eastern half of Station Road), and during the second week (19-23 February) the southern part will be closed, from the halfway point to High Street, and including the end of Northgate. This means that during the first week there will be vehicular access to the church (and the car park) from High Street/Northgate, and during the second week access to the car park from the north, and access to the church on foot, but no vehicular access. In the following two weeks (w/b 26 February and 2 March) the western sections of Northgate and Station Road respectively will be closed.

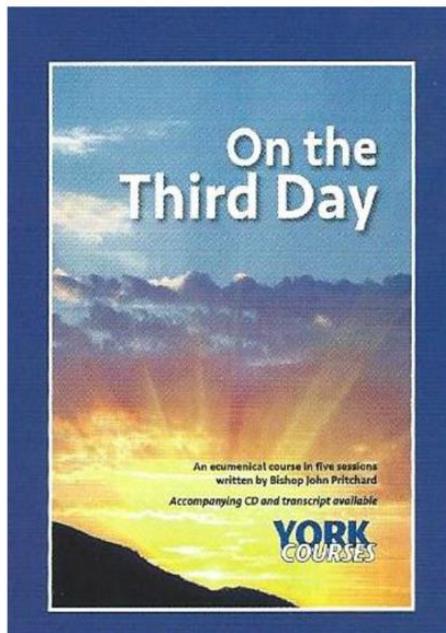
## **Do You Drive to Church?**

If so, could you offer a lift to someone who can't get here otherwise? We have a handful of regular worshippers who are becoming unable to walk or drive themselves, and would much appreciate offers of help. Few of us could offer a lift every single week, but don't let that hold you back - all help will be gratefully received. Please speak to Revd Iain Osborne.

## **Easter Chicks**

If you can help with knitting chicks for Easter please can you contact Margaret Tyler (01572 724799 or [margaret.tyler@oakhamteam.org.uk](mailto:margaret.tyler@oakhamteam.org.uk)). Pattern available.

## 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.**



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**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2018**

A day with the theme 'St Paul for Today'

for anyone who uses the Bible in their ministry,  
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**9.30am - 4pm**

**Peterborough Cathedral**

**PE1 1XS**

You **MUST** book for this event. To do so please e-mail:

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Ring : 01604 887049

**By Friday 16th February 2018**

catweatherill.co.uk  
naomipaulperformer.com

Did someone say chocolate!

'Irresistible!'

Cat Weatherill and Naomi Paul present

## TRUTH & TRUFFLES

Comedy, stories and song.  
And chocolate.

**RUTLAND COUNTY MUSEUM (LE15 6HW)**

**Sunday 04 March 7:30 pm**

£10.00 (Standard)

BOOK NOW: Call 01572 758 440, visit Oakham Wines, 3 High Street Oakham, LE15 6HE or purchase online by searching for 'Oakham Rutland County Museum' on [www.wegotickets.co.uk](http://www.wegotickets.co.uk)  
Part of Drama for Rutland. Licensed bar available.  
[centrestagetouring.org.uk](http://centrestagetouring.org.uk)



[www.a4r.co.uk](http://www.a4r.co.uk)

Phoenix Community Cinema

## Cinema for Rutland

Rutland County Museum

Thursday 1 March 2018



Tickets: £5 from Oakham Wines

[www.wegotickets.com](http://www.wegotickets.com)

and on the door

Doors and bar open at 7 pm for 7.30 pm



Mothering Sunday  
11 March

## Continental Breakfast

Delicious Pastries

Fun Activities

## Informal Service

Everybody Welcome

**Braunston Village Hall**  
9.00 am onwards

**All Saints Church Braunston**



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# Regular Groups & Activities

## CHILDREN'S GROUPS

**Tiny Tots** (age 0-4). Thursdays 9:45am during term-time. **Oakham 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 Jan/7 Feb/24 Jan

**Whissendine Bells** Thu 7:30-9:00pm

## 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

**Bereavement Support Group**  
Second Tuesday of every month 7:00pm  
in **Oakham Church Hall**

## Services During The Week

<i>Monday</i> <i>19 Feb</i>	8:30 <b>Morning Prayer</b> <i>Oakham</i>	
<i>Tuesday</i> <i>20 Feb</i>	8:30 <b>Morning Prayer</b> <i>Oakham</i> 10:00 <b>Holy Communion</b> <i>Oakham</i>	
<i>Wednesday</i> <i>21 Feb</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>22 Feb</i>	9:00 <b>Team Communion</b> <i>Oakham</i> 9:45 <b>Tiny Tots</b> <i>Oakham</i>	12:00 <b>Ecumenical Prayer</b> <i>Oakham</i>
<i>Friday</i> <i>23 Feb</i>	8:30 <b>Morning Prayer</b> <i>Oakham</i> 10:00 <b>BCP Communion</b> <i>Oakham</i>	

## Services Next Sunday – 25 February *Second Sunday of Lent*

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

## Next Sunday's Readings

*Second Sunday of Lent:* Genesis 17.1-7,15-16; Romans 4.13-25; Mark 8.31-38  
*Oakham Evensong:* Psalm 135.1-14; Genesis 12.1-9; Hebrews 11.1-3,8-16