

Weekly Pewsheet

Service Details and Notices

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Sunday 18 March 2018

Services in the Team today:

Oakham	8:00am Holy Communion (CW Trad)	10:30am Family Service	6:00pm Evensong
Whissendine	11:00am Holy Communion*		
Teigh		4:00pm Evensong	
Ashwell		No service	
Market Overton		No service	
Langham		No service	
Braunston	11:00am Holy Communion*		
Brooke		6:00pm Evensong	
Hambleton		No service	
Egleton	9:15am Holy Communion*		

*Common Worship (Contemporary)

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

Please take this Pewsheet home



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8:00am Holy Communion

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

Collect

Most merciful God,
who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ
delivered and saved the world:
grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross
we may triumph in the power of his victory;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading – Jeremiah 31.31-34

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt – a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, ‘Know the LORD’, for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Gospel – John 12.20-33

Please see below, page x

Post Communion Prayer

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

10:30am Family Service

In Penitence and Faith

Preparation

The Greeting

The Lord our redeemer be with you
and also with you.

Hymn



1. It is a thing most wonderful,
almost too wonderful to be,
that God's own Son should come from heaven,
and die to save a child like me.
2. And yet I know that it is true:
he chose a poor and humble lot,
and wept and toiled and mourned and died
for love of those who loved him not.
3. I cannot tell how he could love
a child so weak and full of sin;
his love must be most wonderful,
if he could die my love to win.
4. I sometimes think about the cross,
and shut my eyes, and try to see
the cruel nails and crown of thorns,
and Jesus crucified for me.
5. But even could I see him die,
I could but see a little part
of that great love which, like a fire,
is always burning in his heart.
6. It is most wonderful to know
his love for me so free and sure;
but 'tis more wonderful to see
my love for him so faint and poor.
7. And yet I want to love thee, Lord;
O light the flame within my heart,
and I will love thee more and more,
until I see thee as thou art.

Words: William Walsham How (1823-1867)
Music: Herongate, English trad melody, arr Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)
(Ancient & Modern – 145)

Welcome and introduction

Opening Prayer

God of our days and years,
we set this time apart for you.
Form us in the likeness of Christ
so that our lives may glorify you. **Amen.**

The Beatitudes

Let us hear our Lord's blessing on those who follow him.

Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn,
for they shall be comforted.

Blessed are the meek,
for they shall inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst after righteousness,
for they shall be satisfied.

Blessed are the merciful,
for they shall obtain mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart,
for they shall see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they shall be called children of God.

Blessed are those who suffer persecution for righteousness' sake,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Silence is kept

Prayer of Preparation

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. Amen.

Hymn



1. Meekness and majesty,
manhood and deity,
in perfect harmony
the Man who is God.
Lord of eternity
dwells in humanity,
kneels in humility
and washes our feet.

*O what a mystery,
meekness and majesty.
Bow down and worship
for this is your God, this is your God!*

2. Father's pure radiance,
perfect in innocence,
yet learns obedience
to death on a cross.
Suffering to give us life,
conquering through sacrifice,
and as they crucify
prays: 'Father, forgive.'

3. Wisdom unsearchable,
God the invisible,
love indestructible
in frailty appears.
Lord of infinity,
stooping so tenderly,
lifts our humanity
to the heights of his throne.

Words & Music: Graham Kendrick (b 1950), arr Christopher Norton (b 1953)
© 1986 Kingsway Songs (Ancient & Modern – 728)

¶ Confession and Forgiveness

Our Lord Jesus Christ said:

The first commandment is this:

'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord.
You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,
with all your soul, with all your mind,
and with all your strength.'

The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.'
There is no other commandment greater than these.

On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

Amen. Lord, have mercy.

Music

We listen to Allegri's Miserere mei as we call to mind our failures to love God and our neighbour. The Latin words and English translation are printed below; they are the first two verses of Psalm 51.

Miserere mei, Deus,
secundum magnam misericordiam tuam;

et secundum multitudinem miserationum tuarum
dele iniquitatem meam.

Amplius lava me ab iniquitate mea,
et a peccato meo munda me.

*Have mercy on me, O God,
in your great goodness;*

*according to the abundance of your compassion
blot out my offences.*

*Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness
and cleanse me from my sin.*

Psalm 51.1-12

We say the refrain together

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit.

1. Have mercy on me, O God, in your great goodness;
according to the abundance of your compassion blot out my offences.

2. Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness
and cleanse me from my sin.

3. For I acknowledge my faults
and my sin is ever before me.

4. Against you only have I sinned
and done what is evil in your sight,

5. So that you are justified in your sentence
and righteous in your judgement.

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit.

6. I have been wicked even from my birth,
a sinner when my mother conceived me.

7. Behold, you desire truth deep within me
and shall make me understand wisdom in the depths of my heart.

8. Purge me with hyssop and I shall be clean;
wash me and I shall be whiter than snow.

9. Make me hear of joy and gladness,
that the bones you have broken may rejoice.

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit.

10. Turn your face from my sins
and blot out all my misdeeds.

11. Make me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.
12. Cast me not away from your presence
and take not your holy spirit from me.

**Glory to God, Source of all being,
Eternal Word and Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

Agnus Dei (*sung*)

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
grant us peace.**

Confession

Compassion and forgiveness belong to the Lord our God,
though we have rebelled against him.

Let us then renounce our wilfulness and ask his mercy
by confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

Wash away all my iniquity
and cleanse me from my sin.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Against you, you only have I sinned
and done what is evil in your sight.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Create in me a pure heart, O God,
and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Forgiveness

The president declares God's forgiveness

May almighty God,
who sent his Son into the world to save sinners,
bring us his pardon and peace, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Hymn



1. I cannot tell why he, whom angels worship,
should set his love upon the sons of men,
or why, as Shepherd, he should seek the wanderers,
to bring them back, they know not how or when.
But this I know, that he was born of Mary
when Beth'lem's manger was his only home,
and that He lived at Nazareth and laboured,
and so the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is come.
2. I cannot tell how silently he suffered,
as with his peace he graced this place of tears,
or how his heart upon the cross was broken,
the crown of pain to three and thirty years.
But this I know, he heals the broken-hearted,
and stays our sin, and calms our lurking fear,
and lifts the burden from the heavy laden;
For yet the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is here.
3. I cannot tell how he will win the nations,
how He will claim his earthly heritage,
how satisfy the needs and aspirations
of east and west, of sinner and of sage.
But this I know, all flesh shall see his glory,
and he shall reap the harvest he has sown,
and some glad day his sun shall shine in splendour
when he the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is known.

4. I cannot tell how all the lands shall worship,
when, at his bidding, every storm is stilled,
or who can say how great the jubilation
when every heart with love and joy is filled.
But this I know, the skies will thrill with rapture,
and myriad, myriad human voices sing,
and earth to heav'n, and heav'n to earth, will answer,
'at last the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is King!'

*Words: William Young Fyallerton (1857-1932)
Music: Londonderry Air, Air from County Derry from Irish Music as noted by George Petrie 1903,
harmonised by John Barnard (b 1948) (Ancient & Modern – 666)*

¶ The Word

Reading – John 12.20-33

Among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, 'Sir, we wish to see Jesus.' Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, 'The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour. 'Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say – "Father, save me from this hour"? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.' Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, 'An angel has spoken to him.' Jesus answered, 'This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.' He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Prayers

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

This response may be used

Lord, meet us in the silence:
and hear our prayer.

The Collect

Gracious Father,
you gave up your Son
out of love for the world:
lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion,
that we may know eternal peace
through the shedding of our Saviour's blood,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Affirmation of Faith

Let us affirm our faith in Jesus Christ the Son of God.

**Though he was divine,
he did not cling to equality with God,
but made himself nothing.
Taking the form of a slave,
he was born in human likeness.
He humbled himself
and was obedient to death,
even the death of the cross.
Therefore God has raised him on high,
and given him the name above every name:
that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bow,
and every voice proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.
Amen.**

Hymn



1. There's a wideness in God's mercy
like the wideness of the sea;
there's a kindness in his justice
which is more than liberty.
There is no place where earth's sorrows
are more felt than up in heaven;
there is no place where earth's failings
have such kindly judgement given.

2 For the love of God is broader
than the measure of our mind,
and the heart of the Eternal
is most wonderfully kind.
But we make his love too narrow
by false limits of our own;
and we magnify his strictness
with a zeal he would not own.

3 There is plentiful redemption
through the blood that has been shed;
there is joy for all the members
in the sorrows of the Head.
There is grace enough for thousands
of new worlds as great as this;
there is room for fresh creations
in that upper home of bliss.

Second half of tune:

4 If our love were but more simple,
we should take him at his word;
and our lives would be all gladness
in the joy of Christ our Lord.

Words: Frederick William Faber (1814-1863) Music: Corvedale, Maurice Bevan (1921-2006) (Ancient & Modern – 806)

Final Prayer

God of compassion,
through your Son Jesus Christ
you have reconciled your people to yourself.
As we follow his example of prayer and fasting,
may we obey you with willing hearts
and serve one another in holy love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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6:00pm Evensong

First Evening Prayer of Joseph of Nazareth

The Order of Service is contained in the separate Service Book, and the hymns are taken from New English Hymnal.

Opening Hymn

83 – Glory be to Jesus

Psalm 132 *confitemini domino*

H Smart



- 1/2 Lord remember David and | all his | trouble :
how he sware unto the Lord *
and vow'd a vow unto the Al- | migh-ty | God of | Jacob.
- 3 I will not come within the | tabernacle · of mine | house :
nor | climb up | into · my | bed.
- 4 I will not suffer mine eyes to sleep nor mine | eyelids · to | slumber :
neither the temples of my | head to | take · any | rest.
- 5 Until I find a place for the | temple · of the | Lord :
an habitation for the | migh-ty | God of | Jacob.
- 6 Lo we heard of the | same at | Ephrata :
and | found it | in the | wood.
- 7 We will | go into · his | tabernacle :
and fall low on our | knees be- | fore his | footstool.
- 8/9 Arise O Lord into thy resting-place * thou and the | ark of · thy | strength :
let thy priests be cloth'd with righteousness *
and let thy | saints — | sing with | joyfulness.
- 10 For thy servant | Da-vid's | sake :
turn not away the | presence · of | thine An-| ointed.
- 11 The Lord hath made a faithful | oath · unto | Da- || vid : *
| and he | shall not | shrink from it.
- 12 Of the | fruit of · thy | body ⇒
shall I | set up-| on thy | seat.
- 13 If thy children will keep my covenant, *
and my testimonies that | I shall | learn them :
their children also shall sit upon thy | seat for | ev-er-| more.
- 14/15 For the Lord hath chosen Sion to be an habitation for himself *
| he hath | long'd for her :
this shall | be my | rest for | ever :
- 15/16 Here will I dwell for I | have a · de-| light therein :
I will bless her victuals with increase *
and will | satisfy · her | poor with | bread.
- 17 I will deck her | priests with | health :
and her | saints · shall re-| joice and | sing.

- 18 There shall I make the horn of | David · to | flourish :
 I have ordain'd a | lantern · for | mine An-| ointed.
- 19 As for his enemies, * I shall | clothe them · with | shame :
 but upon him-| self · shall his | crown — | flourish.
- Glory | be · to the | Father,
 and to the | Son and · to the | Ho-ly | Ghost;
 As it was in the beginning is | now and · ever | shall be :
 world | with-out | end, A- | men.

First Lesson – Hosea 11.1-9

Office Hymn

160 – Lord hear the praises of thy faithful people (*tune 190 ii Coelites Plaudant*)

Magnificat & Nunc Dimittis – Set 6

Second Lesson – Luke 2.41-52

Hymn after the Prayers

187 – Virgin-born, we bow before thee (*t 387 Quem Pastores*)

Hymn after the Sermon

215 – Captains of the saintly band



An INVITATION just for you...
 To our Springtime

Tea Party

Sunday April 8th
 3pm - 4.30pm

Come along and bring a friend
 Contact Pam 01572 755532

Please note our NEW party venue.
 Details on back.

Today

8:30am – **LANGHAM APCM**

St Peter & St Paul Langham

Breakfast followed by the meeting.

10:30am – **FAMILY SERVICE**

All Saints Oakham

Instead of the usual Family Communion.

12:00pm – **WHISSENDINE APCM**

St Andrew Whissendine

After the morning service.

4:50pm – **TEIGH APCM**

Holy Trinity Teigh

After evensong.

6:00pm – **BEHOLD THE LAMB OF GOD**

Stamford Methodist Church, Barnhill

A meditation in words and music for Passion Sunday with the St Peter's Singers.

This Week

TUESDAY 20 MARCH

10:30am – **RUTLAND REMINDERS**

Brambles, Rutland Care Village

Singing sessions for people with dementia. 07779 413889 or rutlandreminders.org.uk for details. **This is an important change of time to hopefully get more Guests with dementia and their Carers from private homes round Rutland.**

WEDNESDAY 21 MARCH

1:30pm – **MUSIC AT LUNCHTIME**

All Saints Oakham

Vienna Chan *piano*

Music to include: **Chopin** Ballade No 4

THURSDAY 22 MARCH

10:30am – **TEAM WALKING GROUP**

The Wheatsheaf, Greetham

The next walk of approx 5 miles is from the Wheatsheaf across to Exton Park, Fort Henry and the Greetham Valley golf course. Terrain generally good. Arrive at 10:15am to pre-order lunch, Richard to lead. New walkers always welcome, simply turn up suitably attired. Group contact Dennis Corton on 01572 722272.

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

Oakham Baptist Church

Rescheduled from 1 March – see the website for more details.

FRIDAY 23 MARCH

11:30am – **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

All Saints Oakham

12:00pm – **LENT LUNCH**

All Saints Church Hall, Oakham

Organised by Churches Together in Oakham, and prepared by the clergy.

SATURDAY 24 MARCH

1:00-3:00pm – **JUMBLE SALE**

St Nicholas Thistleton

30p admission. In aid of Friends of Thistleton Church. Rescheduled from 3 March.

2:00pm – **PASSION GOSPEL REHEARSAL**

All Saints Oakham

In preparation for the dramatic reading on Palm Sunday.

4:00pm – **STUDENT CROSS
PILGRIMAGE**

All Saints Braunston

The Pilgrimage stops for a service of Vespers before they continue their pilgrimage to Walsingham.

SUNDAY 25 MARCH

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

All Saints Oakham

With Procession of Palms from Burley Road Car Park, and dramatized Passion Gospel reading. **Please meet in the Car Park for a 10:30am start**, or if you prefer not to process then wait in church. There are no other morning services in the Team today except Oakham 8:00am.

2:30pm – **CIVIC SERVICE**

All Saints Oakham

Marking the Centenary of the Royal Air Force, and the retirement of Laurence Howard as Lord-Lieutenant.

6:00pm – **ECUMENICAL SERVICE**

Oakham Methodist Church

Organised by Churches Together in Oakham and District, marking the end of the Lent Groups. Bring and Share Tea at 5:00pm

Looking Ahead

MONDAY 26 MARCH

7:30pm – **HOLY WEEK COMPLINE**

St Peter & St Paul Langham

A quiet reflective service led by Ann Blackett

TUESDAY 27 MARCH

7:30pm – **HOLY WEEK SUNG COMPLINE**

St Andrew Whissendine

With Laudamus, Team Choir

WEDNESDAY 28 MARCH

1:30pm – **MUSIC AT LUNCHTIME**

All Saints Oakham

Fraser Graham piano, **Jennifer**

Kelly violin, **Peter Coates** cello

Frank Bridge Miniatures (No 1-3)

Sergei Rachmaninoff Trio Elegiaque in G minor

7:30pm – **HOLY WEEK COMPLINE**

St Peter & St Paul Market Overton

A quiet reflective service led by Susan Osborne

MAUNDY THURSDAY 29 MARCH

1:30pm – **OAKHAM COFE SCHOOL
SERVICE**

All Saints Oakham

7:30pm – **TEAM COMMUNION**

All Saints Oakham

Holy Communion of the Last Supper, with Washing of Feet and Watch until Midnight.

GOOD FRIDAY 30 MARCH

9:00am – **MORNING PRAYER**

St Peter Brooke

10:00am – **LITANY**

Chapel of St John & St Anne

10:30am – **WALK OF WITNESS**

From J&A to the Market Square

With Churches Together in Oakham, concluding with a short ecumenical service at the Buttercross.

12:00-3:00pm – LITURGY AND ADDRESSES - All Saints Oakham

Our Three Hour Service begins with the sung liturgy, and then from 2:00pm there will be addresses and meditation led by Cathy Davies, Assistant Warden at Launde Abbey.

5:00pm – PRAYERS AT THE FOOT OF THE CROSS – All Saints Braunston

EASTER SUNDAY 1 APRIL

5:30am – DAWN SERVICE

All Saints Braunston

Vigil, Service of Light, renewal of Baptismal Vows and First Communion of Easter. There will also be morning services of Holy Communion in all the other Team churches – see website for details.

MONDAY 2 APRIL

11:15am – BANK HOLIDAY ORGAN RECITAL

All Saints Oakham

Ivan Linford

SUNDAY 8 APRIL

11:30am – ASHWELL APCM

St Mary Ashwell

3:00-4:30pm – TEA PARTY

All Saints Oakham Church Hall

Come along and bring a friend. Contact Pam (01572 755532)

MONDAY 9 APRIL

6:00pm – HAMBLETON APCM

Hambleton Village Hall

THURSDAY 12 APRIL

7:30pm – BRAUNSTON APCM

Braunston Village Hall

WEDNESDAY 18 APRIL

7:30pm – MARKET OVERTON APCM

St Peter & St Paul Market Overton

SUNDAY 22 APRIL

6:00pm – FESTIVALS & CAMPING

Venue tba

Please see separate notice for details.

Please pray for

- The family and friends of **Janice Sims**, whose funeral took place at Grantham Crematorium on Monday;
- The family and friends of **Edith Hook**, whose funeral took place at Egleton on Monday;
- The family and friends of **Paul Mason**, whose funeral took place at Peterborough Crematorium on Wednesday;
- The family and friends of **Gerald Johnson**, whose funeral took place at Teigh on Monday 5 March;
- The family and friends of **Michael Colley**, whose funeral took place at Oakham on Tuesday 6 March;
- The family and friends of **Mrs Butterfield**, whose funeral took place at Grantham Crematorium on Wednesday 7 March;

- The family and friends of **Barbara Steen**, whose funeral took place at the Chapel of St John & St Anne on Friday 8 March;
- For the victims of the nerve gas attack in Salisbury;
- 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;
- Deborah, Iain & Charlotte, our Team Clergy, and all lay members of the Ministry Team;
- Lee, Guli and family, and Julie and Phillip, as they settle into new homes and new ministry;
- Madeleine McCann and her family and all missing children.

Teigh and Market Overton Service Times

The morning services at Teigh and Market Overton will take place at 9:15am rather than 9:00am with immediate effect. The change will enable clergy who are taking an 8:00am service beforehand at Oakham or Brooke a little more time to get there, as well as bringing the timings in line with Hambleton and Egleton, who made a similar change some while ago for the same reason.

Bishop's Office Secretary

Bishop Donald is looking to recruit a secretary to join his office, who will act as secretary to his Chaplain and PA, as well as maintain the accounts of both bishops and provide catering for meetings and events. More details can be found on the diocesan website (link via team website). Closing date is 3 April 2018.

Festivals and Camping

Calling parents and carers of young people in our parishes... We invite

you to a discussion of options for Christian festivals and/or a parish camping trip. Joining big crowds of Christians, including different kinds of people, can be a major faith-builder for young people. We know some of you are already planning to join Iain at Greenbelt (August bank holiday), and we want to see if others wish to join. Also, there are a number of other options for summer Christian festivals, all with pros and cons; so we want to talk through those. And then, we want to explore running a local church camping trip. The meeting will be at 6:00pm on Sunday 22nd April. Please let Iain or Charlotte know if you can come, so we can pick a right-size venue.

Homeless & Rough Sleeping in Oakham Meeting

Oakham has seen a noticeable increase in numbers of homeless rough sleepers this winter and the particularly cold weather has caused much alarm for the well-being of these men. Local residents from our churches and wider community have expressed concern and actively helped in various ways. There will be a meeting on Thursday 22nd March (postponed from 1st March), 10:30 am for 10:45 am start (to finish by 11:45 am) at Oakham Baptist Church, Melton Road (01572 724990), when professionals from RCC will attend to explain local services for homeless/rough sleepers and how best we can support the situation. Many of us are concerned and want to help but

are unsure how best to go about it – this open meeting aims to provide much of that information plus some guidance on best practices. We encourage anyone concerned about the situation or who has personally befriended or engaged with homeless individuals to come along.

Oakham PCC

At the meeting on Sunday 4 March, our Parish Profile – document to be sent to candidates for our Rector, telling them about Oakham and the villages – was agreed and is ready for scrutiny by Benefice representatives at a joint meeting on 15 March. The Person Specification is now in draft, and will accompany the profile as and when requested. Our Churchwardens and Kevin Slingsby are to be congratulated – a mammoth task! Finance – the Accounts for Jan/Dec 2017 are now with the Examiner for ratification and the draft Budget for 2018 has now been accepted by your PCC. Churches Together in Oakham are proposing to hold a Mission for Oakham, probably in late 2019; human resources as well as financial commitment to achieve this are under continuing discussion. For more details about any of the above, see the notice board by the North Door, or speak to one of your PCC members. Marilyn Tomalin PCC Secretary.

Palm Sunday 25 March

On Palm Sunday we recall Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem riding a donkey, and this year we will be doing

this as a Team, with a Procession of Palms starting in the Burley Road Car Park, and crossing Cutts Close to All Saints Oakham. Please therefore, if you can, assemble at the car park for a 10:30am start, ready to follow Jesus on the donkey (or as close as we can get to a donkey) waving your palms and singing 'Hosanna'. If you are unable to walk, then meet us in church. When we get to the church, the focus of the service is the reading of the Passion Gospel, which will be done dramatically, and young people from **all** the Team churches are invited to take part – if you would like to, then just turn up to the practice the day before, Saturday 24 March, at 2:00pm.

Easter Lilies

Donations for Easter Lilies are invited, and should be put in an envelope marked 'Easter Lilies' and given to any member of the flower guild, the verger or the churchwardens. Lilies cost approx £2.00 each. Further information from Jackie Vecqueray.

Student Cross Pilgrimage

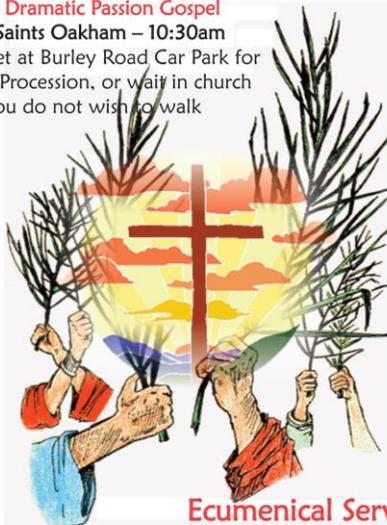
The Midland leg of the Student Cross Pilgrimage, an annual event will be walking from Leicester to Walsingham during Holy Week stopping at various churches along the way. On Saturday 24 March they will be walking through Braunston and will stop for Vespers in All Saints at 4:00pm. Anyone wishing to join them will be more than welcome. More details at www.studentcross.org.uk.



Palm Sunday

Team Communion with Procession of Palms and Dramatic Passion Gospel

All Saints Oakham – 10:30am
Meet at Burley Road Car Park for the Procession, or wait in church if you do not wish to walk



Ecumenical Service

Oakham Methodist Church – 6:00pm
Bring and Share Tea – 5:00pm



LENT LUNCHES

Soup and cheese lunch



served at

All Saints Church Hall

Every Friday from 23rd February to 23rd March

£3.50

12.00 to 1.30pm

Come and share with friends
Proceeds to Christian Aid



Fairtrade goods on sale

Holy Week and Easter

Palm Sunday – 25 March

10:00am – **LITURGY OF PALMS & PASSION** – *All Saints Oakham*

2:30pm – **CIVIC SERVICE** – *All Saints Oakham*

6:00pm – **ECUMENICAL SERVICE** – *Oakham Methodist Church*

NO other services in the Team except Oakham 8:00am

Holy Week

7:30pm – **COMPLINE**

MONDAY 26 MARCH – *Langham* (led by Ann Blackett)

TUESDAY 27 MARCH – *Whissendine* (sung by the Choir)

WEDNESDAY 28 MARCH – *Market Overton* (led by Susan Osborne)

Maundy Thursday – 29 March

7:30pm – **WASHING OF FEET, HOLY COMMUNION OF THE LAST SUPPER
& WATCH UNTIL MIDNIGHT** – *All Saints Oakham*

Good Friday – 30 March

9:00am – **MORNING PRAYER** – *St Peter Brooke*

10:00am – **LITANY** – *Chapel of St John & St Anne*

10:30am – **WALK OF WITNESS** – *from J&A to the Market Square*

10:45am – **ECUMENICAL SERVICE** – *Buttercross*

12:00pm – **LITURGY & ADDRESSES** – *All Saints Oakham*

Sung liturgy for the first hour, followed by meditation and addresses led by Cathy Davies, Assistant Warden at Launde Abbey

5:00pm – **PRAYERS AT THE FOOT OF THE CROSS** – *All Saints Braunston*

Easter Day – 1 April

5:30am – **DAWN SERVICE** – *All Saints Braunston*

Vigil, Service of Light, renewal of Baptismal Vows and First Communion of Easter

Morning services of Holy Communion in all the Team churches – see the website.

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 Mar</i>	8:30 Morning Prayer Oakham 10:00 Funeral Clive Burns Oakham	
<i>Tuesday</i> <i>20 Mar</i>	8:30 Morning Prayer Oakham 10:00 Holy Communion Oakham	
<i>Wednesday</i> <i>21 Mar</i>	8:30 Morning Prayer Oakham 10:00 MU Corporate Com J&A 11:30 Funeral Jean Walton Oakham	12:00 CTiO Prayer Mtg Cong Ch 5:30 Meditation J&A
<i>Thursday</i> <i>22 Mar</i>	9:00 Team Communion Oakham 9:45 Tiny Tots Oakham	12:00 Ecumenical Prayer Oakham
<i>Friday</i> <i>23 Mar</i>	8:30 Morning Prayer Oakham 10:00 BCP Communion Oakham	

Services Next Sunday – 25 March *Palm Sunday*

<i>Oakham</i>	8:00 Holy Communion (CW Trad) 10:30 Team Communion with Procession of Palms from Burley Road Car Park 6:00 Ecumenical Service At Oakham Methodist Church (Tea at 5:00pm)
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No other services in the Team

Next Sunday's Readings

Palm Sunday: Mark 11.1-11 (Liturgy of the Palms); Mark 14.1-15.47 (Liturgy of the Passion)