

Weekly Pewsheet

Service Details and Notices

Palm Sunday

Sunday 25 March 2018

Services in the Team today:

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

10:30am TEAM HOLY COMMUNION
*with Procession of Palms
and Dramtised Gospel Reading,
starting from Burley Road Car Park*

2:30pm Civic Service
*marking the retirement of Sir Laurence Howard
as Lord Lieutenant of Rutland
and the Centenary of the Royal Air Force*

6:00pm Ecumenical Service
at Oakham Methodist Church

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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Liturgy of the Palms Gospel – Mark 11.1-11

When Jesus and his disciples were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples and said to them, ‘Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, “Why are you doing this?” just say this, “The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.”’ They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, ‘What are you doing, untying the colt?’ They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting, ‘Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!’ Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,
who in your tender love towards the human race
sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ
to take upon him our flesh
and to suffer death upon the cross:
grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility,
and also be made partakers of his resurrection;
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 Passion Gospel – Mark 14.1–15.47

It was two days before the Passover and the festival of Unleavened Bread. The chief priests and the scribes were looking for a way to arrest Jesus by stealth and kill him; for they said, ‘Not during the festival, or there may be a riot among the people.’ While he was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at the table, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very costly ointment of nard, and she broke open the jar and poured the ointment on his head. But some were there who said to one another in anger, ‘Why was the ointment wasted in this way? For this ointment could have been sold for more than three hundred denarii, and the money given to

the poor.’ And they scolded her. But Jesus said, ‘Let her alone; why do you trouble her? She has performed a good service for me. For you always have the poor with you, and you can show kindness to them whenever you wish; but you will not always have me. She has done what she could; she has anointed my body beforehand for its burial. Truly I tell you, wherever the good news is proclaimed in the whole world, what she has done will be told in remembrance of her.’ Then Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went to the chief priests in order to betray him to them. When they heard it, they were greatly pleased, and promised to give him money. So he began to look for an opportunity to betray him. On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb is sacrificed, his disciples said to him, ‘Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?’ So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, ‘Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him, and wherever he enters, say to the owner of the house, “The Teacher asks, Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?” He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there.’ So the disciples set out and went to the city, and found everything as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal. When it was evening, he came with the twelve. And when they had taken their places and were eating, Jesus said, ‘Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me.’ They began to be distressed and to say to him one after another, ‘Surely, not I?’ He said to them, ‘It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the bowl with me. For the Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born.’ While they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said, ‘Take; this is my body.’ Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, and all of them drank from it. He said to them, ‘This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. Truly I tell you, I will never again drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God.’ When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. And Jesus said to them, ‘You will all become deserters; for it is written, “I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered.” But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee.’ Peter said to him, ‘Even though all become deserters, I will not.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Truly I tell you, this day, this very night, before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times.’ But he said vehemently, ‘Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you.’ And all of them said the same. They went to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, ‘Sit here while I pray.’ He took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be distressed and agitated. And said to them, ‘I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake.’ And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. He said, ‘Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want, but what you want.’ He

came and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, 'Simon, are you asleep? Could you not keep awake one hour? Keep awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.' And again he went away and prayed, saying the same words. And once more he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy; and they did not know what to say to him. He came a third time and said to them, 'Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Enough! The hour has come; the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand.' Immediately, while he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; and with him there was a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders. Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, 'The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard.' So when he came, he went up to him at once and said, 'Rabbi!' and kissed him. Then they laid hands on him and arrested him. But one of those who stood near drew his sword and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. Then Jesus said to them, 'Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? Day after day I was with you in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But let the scriptures be fulfilled.' All of them deserted him and fled. A certain young man was following Jesus, wearing nothing but a linen cloth. They caught hold of him, but he left the linen cloth and ran off naked. They took Jesus to the high priest; and all the chief priests, the elders, and the scribes were assembled. Peter had followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest; and he was sitting with the guards, warming himself at the fire. Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for testimony against Jesus to put him to death; but they found none. For many gave false testimony against him, and their testimony did not agree. Some stood up and gave false testimony against him, saying, 'We heard him say, "I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another, not made with hands."' But even on this point their testimony did not agree. Then the high priest stood up before them and asked Jesus, 'Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?' But he was silent and did not answer. Again the high priest asked him, 'Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed One?' Jesus said, 'I am; and "you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Power," and "coming with the clouds of heaven."' Then the high priest tore his clothes and said, 'Why do we still need witnesses? You have heard his blasphemy! What is your decision?' All of them condemned him as deserving death. Some began to spit on him, to blindfold him, and to strike him, saying to him, 'Prophecy!' The guards also took him over and beat him. While Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant-girls of the high priest came by. When she saw Peter warming himself, she stared at him and said, 'You also were with Jesus, the man from Nazareth.' But he denied it, saying, 'I do not know or understand what you are talking about.' And he went out into the forecourt. Then the cock crowed. And the servant-girl, on seeing him, began again to say to the

bystanders, 'This man is one of them.' But again he denied it. Then after a little while the bystanders again said to Peter, 'Certainly you are one of them; for you are a Galilean.' But he began to curse, and he swore an oath, 'I do not know this man you are talking about.' At that moment the cock crowed for the second time. Then Peter remembered that Jesus had said to him, 'Before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times.' And he broke down and wept. As soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate asked him, 'Are you the King of the Jews?' He answered him, 'You say so.' Then the chief priests accused him of many things. Pilate asked him again, 'Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you.' But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed. Now at the festival he used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom. Then he answered them, 'Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?' For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed him over. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. Pilate spoke to them again, 'Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?' They shouted back, 'Crucify him!' Pilate asked them, 'Why, what evil has he done?' But they shouted all the more, 'Crucify him!' So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified. Then the soldiers led him into the courtyard of the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters); and they called together the whole cohort. And they clothed him in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on him. And they began saluting him, 'Hail, King of the Jews!' They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and knelt down in homage to him. After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him. They compelled a passer-by, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross; it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus. Then they brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull). And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh; but he did not take it. And they crucified him, and divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take. It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. The inscription of the charge against him read, 'The King of the Jews.' And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying, 'Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself, and come down from the cross!' In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying, 'He saved others; he cannot save himself. Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe.'

Those who were crucified with him also taunted him. When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, 'Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?' which means, 'My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?' When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, 'Listen, he is calling for Elijah.' And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying, 'Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down.' Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, 'Truly this man was God's Son!' There were also women looking on from a distance; among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome. These used to follow him and provided for him when he was in Galilee; and there were many other women who had come up with him to Jerusalem. When evening had come, and since it was the day of Preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God, went boldly to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he had been dead for some time. When he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. Then Joseph bought a linen cloth, and taking down the body, wrapped it in the linen cloth, and laid it in a tomb that had been hewn out of the rock. He then rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where the body was laid.

Post Communion Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ,
you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant,
and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation:
give us the mind to follow you
and to proclaim you as Lord and King,
to the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

Today

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

This Week

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.

Looking Ahead

MONDAY 2 APRIL

11:15am – **BANK HOLIDAY ORGAN RECITAL – All Saints Oakham**
Ivan Linford

WEDNESDAY 4 APRIL

1:30pm – **MUSIC AT LUNCHTIME**

All Saints Oakham

Elizabeth Rowan *flute*,
Tom Corfield *piano*

Rameau 2 Gavottes from La Princesse de Navarre

Nielsen The Fog is Lifting Op 41 & Incidental music for The Mother

Maconchy Scherzando from Colloquy

Gaubert Madrigal Op 9/1

Bach Presto from Sonata in B minor BWV 1030

THURSDAY 5 APRIL

7:30pm – **CINEMA FOR RUTLAND**

Rutland County Museum

Breathe. An inspiring film telling the true story of Robin Cavendish, who contracted Polio at the age of 28, was confined to a bed and given only months to live. With help from his wife Diana and her twin brothers, and the groundbreaking ideas of inventor Teddy Hall, he emerges from the hospital ward and devotes the rest of his life to helping fellow patients and the disabled.

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

TUESDAY 10 APRIL

10:00am-12:00pm – **OPEN HOUSE**

Home of Helen & Peter Hill, 4 Kestrel Road, Oakham

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

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

Meeting for parents and carers of young people in our parishes about festivals and camping – see separate notice or website for details.

7:00pm – **OAKHAM SCHOOL BIG BAND**

St Peter & St Paul Langham

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

THURSDAY 26 APRIL

7:30pm – **PDCF MUSIC LAUNCH**

St Mary the Virgin Finedon, NN9 5NR

Choir members are invited the launch evening for the Choral Festival in October – music includes *Mundy* O Lord the maker of all things, *Noble* in B minor, *Dunleavy* Responses, *Parry* Never weatherbeaten sail & *Stanford* For lo, I raise up.

SATURDAY 28 APRIL

7:30pm – **MIRANDA HELDT IN CONCERT**

St Peter & St Paul Langham

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

MONDAY 30 APRIL

9:00am – **FRIENDS OF ALL SAINTS TRIP – Doddington Hall**

We meet at All Saints Church for a prompt 9am start, picking up at the Co-op a few minutes later. It is only just over an hour away, so we will be car-sharing. Please indicate how many passengers you can accommodate on the sign-up sheet. Our private tour begins at 10.45, after which we shall have lunch. Please choose which of the two lunch options you would like and which filling and indicate this on the sign-up sheet, so I can inform the Hall in advance. After lunch there is time to explore the gardens, the farm and gift shops, before we return about 3.30pm. Please sign up on the sheet by the South porch. The cost will be £21 and cash or cheques payable to 'Friends of All Saints Church Oakham' must be given to me by 12th April. More information from Liz Plummer (01572 720506 or friends@oakhamteam.org.uk)

THURSDAY 28 JUNE

FRIENDS AND MU OUTING

Sheffield

Please note the amended date for this event.

Please pray for

– **Georgina Anna Blackwell**, who will be baptised at Hambleton today, and her parents **Luke & Clare**;

– The family and friends of **Clive Burns**, whose funeral took place at Oakham on Monday;

- The family and friends of **Jean Walton**, whose funeral took place at Oakham on Wednesday;
- 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 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.

Oakham APCM Reports

For the APCM on Sunday 22 April, reports from church organisations and groups will be produced in advance as usual – **please submit these by Sunday 8 April** to notices@oakhamteam.org.uk, so that they can be available on 15 April. At the meeting, there will be vacancies for three new PCC members – please consider whether you might be called to service in this way, and talk to PCC members or the Churchwardens for more information.

Jesus Christ is risen today... and every day!

The recent Kairos mission to Stocken Prison was wonderful with 21 men encountering the love, the forgiveness and the peace of Jesus for the first time. It was life-transforming – for them and for me. Resurrection means rebirth, a coming back to life after death, and it's not just confined to Easter Sunday – Kairos means 'the right time' and for many, being in prison is the right time to hear the voice of God calling – few of those

men have ever experienced unconditional love, and witnessing their rebirth was like witnessing the miracles of the New Testament. As one of them said to me as he left for his cell on the Friday afternoon, "I will never be the same again." Jesus lives today, in the rebirth of lives transformed by his love and grace: in the lives of 21 men in Stocken Prison, and in the lives of every other man or woman who comes to know the unconditional love of Jesus Christ. Many thanks to all those of you who baked cookies, prayed and hosted team members. You have all contributed to the transformation of those men, who cannot believe that people on the outside care about them and who send their profound gratitude to you all. **Cathy Dyson.** *Please see the website for Cathy's full report.*

Help Needed

Help is needed to look after the Church. **Can you?** We are now short of help to look after the Church and cleaners are required. We share the duties and an area is allocated for you to look after. If you can help please contact David Kirtland (01572 724103).

Recruitment

At the meeting for the Benefice churchwardens and PCC members on 15 March, Archdeacon Gordon outlined the role of a Team Council in the appointment of the Team Rector and Vicar of Oakham. The Team

Council was part of the Scheme when the Team was set up, but has not been properly constituted; this meeting had been called so that (a) representatives of the parishes in the Benefice could approve the Parish Profile and the Person Specification, written by the Oakham churchwardens; (b) four lay representatives from the Benefice could be chosen to sit on the Patronage Board to appoint the new Team Rector and Vicar of Oakham.

Parish Profile and Person Specification

After some discussion, the Parish Profile was approved, with the incorporation of the Person Specification and some minor corrections and additions, and the Person Specification was also approved with one amendment.

Lay Representatives

The full Patronage Board will consist of Bishop Donald, Archdeacon Gordon, the historic Patrons (Lincoln Cathedral, Viscount Downe, Lady Gretton and Evan Hanbury, with one vote between them), four lay people chosen by the parishes in the Benefice: two from Oakham, one from the northern group of parishes and one from the southern group. Following discussions in the parishes, the following names were put forward as potential lay representatives: from Oakham – Alison Long and Des Cooke; from the northern parishes – Sir Laurence Howard; from the southern parishes – Jennie Page. All four were approved and appointed as

lay representatives to the Patronage Board, with Sir Laurence Howard, Des Cooke and Jennie Page being co-opted onto the Team Council.

Advertising and Interviews

The Archdeacon will work with the local members of the Patronage Board to prepare the advertisement which should appear in the Church Times on 13 April and 20 April.

Interviews will take place on 21 June and if all goes well it is hoped that someone might be in post during September. However the advertisement can be put onto the diocesan and other websites as soon as the Profile is completely finished and the advert prepared.

What next?

Everyone can contribute! Please keep praying for the people who are involved in the recruitment process, and for all who will take an interest in becoming Team Rector and Vicar of Oakham. Pray that all will discern their way forward, that the Patronage Board will do its work well, and that God will send us someone who will help us become who we're called to be, both as a church and as individual followers of Jesus Christ.

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 Eggleton, 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

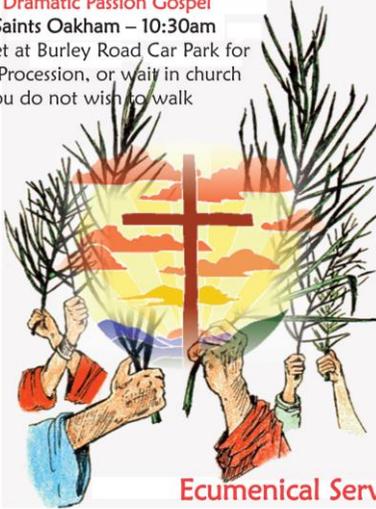
Calling parents and carers of young people in our parishes... We invite you to a discussion of options for Christian festivals and/or a parish camping trip. Joining big crowds of Christians, including different kinds of people, can be a major faith-builder for young people. We know some of you are already 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.



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



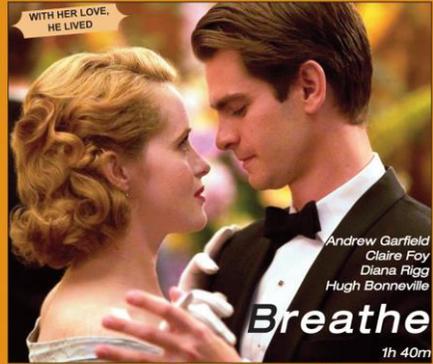
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Phoenix Community Cinema

Cinema for Rutland

Rutland County Museum

Thursday 5 April 2018



Tickets: £5 from Oakham Wines
www.wegotickets.com
and on the door

Doors and bar open at 7 pm for 7.30 pm



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 Spring Tea Party will be held again at the Church Hall, Oakham.

Entrance across the road opposite All Saints Church and through the car park. The Church Hall is at the far end.

Peterborough

DIOCESAN CHORAL FESTIVAL

The Dean and Chapter warmly invite you, your choir and any singers in your church to join with choirs from parish churches in the Diocese of Peterborough to sing

Choral Evensong

Saturday 13 October 2018, 5:30pm
at Peterborough Cathedral

All are welcome at the service

Music includes:

Mundy, O Lord the maker of all things
Noble in B minor, Dunleavy Responses
Parry, Never weather beaten sail
Stanford, For lo, I raise up

Festival Music Launch

Church choir leaders and singers are invited to the Music launch evening
Thursday 26 April 2018, 7:30pm
St Mary the Virgin, Finedon NN9 5NR



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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> 26 Mar	8:30 Morning Prayer <i>Oakham</i>	1:30 Funeral Kenneth Piercy <i>Oakham</i> 7:30 Compline <i>Langham</i>
<i>Tuesday</i> 27 Mar	8:30 Morning Prayer <i>Oakham</i> 10:00 Holy Communion <i>Oakham</i>	2:00 Funeral Peggy Wakeling <i>Oakham</i> 7:30 Sung Compline <i>Whissendine</i>
<i>Wednesday</i> 28 Mar	8:30 Morning Prayer <i>Oakham</i> 10:00 Holy Communion J&A	12:00 CTiO Prayer Mtg <i>Cong Ch</i> 5:30 Meditation J&A 7:30 Compline <i>Market Overton</i>
Maundy <i>Thursday</i> 29 Mar	9:45 Tiny Tots <i>Oakham</i> 12:00 Ecumenical Prayer <i>Oakham</i>	1:30 Oakham CofE Sch <i>Oakham</i> 7:30 Liturgy & Communion <i>Oakham</i>
Good Friday 30 Mar	9:00 Morning Prayer <i>Brooke</i> 10:00 Litany J & A 10:30 Walk of Witness 10:45 Ecumenical Svc <i>Buttercross</i>	12:00 Sung Liturgy <i>Oakham</i> 1:00 Addresses & Meditation <i>Oakham</i> 5:00 Prayers at the Cross <i>Braunston</i>

Services Next Sunday - 1 April (Easter Sunday)

<i>Oakham</i>	8:00 Holy Communion (CW Trad) 10:30 Parish Communion	
<i>Whissendine</i>	11:00 Holy Communion	
<i>Teigh</i>	9:15 Holy Communion	
<i>Market Overton</i>	9:15 Extended Communion	
<i>Ashwell</i>	10:30 Extended Communion	
<i>Langham</i>	11:00 Holy Communion	
<i>Braunston</i>	5:30 Dawn Vigil & Communion	
<i>Brooke</i>	8:00 Holy Communion	
<i>Hambleton</i>	9:15 Holy Communion	
<i>Egleton</i>	9:15 Extended Communion	

Next Sunday's Readings

Easter Sunday: Acts 10.34-43; 1 Corinthians 15.1-11; Mark 16.1-8