

# Weekly Pewsheets

## *Service Details and Notices*

### Christmas 2019

#### CHRISTMAS EVE – Tuesday 24 December

|                |                            |
|----------------|----------------------------|
| Oakham         | 4:00pm Crib Service        |
|                | 11:30pm Midnight Communion |
| Whissendine    | 4:00pm Crib Service        |
|                | 11:15pm Midnight Communion |
| Market Overton | 6:00pm Crib Service        |
| Langham        | 4:00pm Crib Service        |
|                | 11:15pm Midnight Communion |
| Braunston      | 3:30pm Journey to Jesus    |
| Hambleton      | 9:00pm Holy Communion      |

#### CHRISTMAS DAY – Wednesday 25 December

|                |                                 |
|----------------|---------------------------------|
| Oakham         | 8:00am Holy Communion (CW Trad) |
|                | 10:00am Parish Communion        |
| Ashwell        | 10:30am Holy Communion          |
| Teigh          | 9:00am Holy Communion           |
| Market Overton | 9:00am Holy Communion           |
| Braunston      | 11:00am Holy Communion          |
| Brooke         | 8:00am Holy Communion           |
| Egleton        | 9:15am Holy Communion           |

Please take this Pewsheets home



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*Notices or reports for inclusion in the pew sheet and website should be sent by email by 11am Wednesday or delivered to the office by 2pm Tuesday.*

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## Advent Candle Response

Joy to the world!

## The Lord has come!

*The central candle is lit and this response is used*

Jesus is the light of the world.

**A light no darkness can ever put out.**

## Advent Candle Song



Light of light (clap clap) Lord Jesus (clap clap).

The Saviour of the world has come among us.

Light of light (*clap clap*) Lord Jesus (*clap clap*).

Emmanuel is here!

Alleluia, alleluia!

Emmanuel is here!

or



Advent candles tell their story on this Christmas Day.

Those who waited for God's glory: they prepared the way.

Christ is with us: loving, giving, in us living, here today!

*Words: Mark Earey (b 1965) Music: Angel Voices, Edwin George Monk (1819-1900)*

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## Advent Candle Prayer

**Lord Jesus, Light of light,**

**you have come among us.**

**Help us who live by your light**

to shine as lights in your world.

**Glory to God in the highest. Amen.**

## Gloria



1. Glory be to God in heaven,  
peace to all throughout the world.  
Thanks and praise to God our Father,  
love in action is unfurled.  
*Gloria in excelsis Deo*  
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2. Jesus Christ is born among us,  
Son of God light of the world.  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
Love in action is unfurled.
3. Here on earth Christ's life he gave us;  
living, dying, ris'n on high.  
God we praise your gen'rous spirit.  
All our needs you full supply

Words: Rachel Firth (b 1973) Music: Iris, French traditional carol, harmonised by Martin Shaw (1875-1958) – AM 59

## Collects

### (Christmas Night)

Eternal God, who made this most holy night  
to shine with the brightness of your one true light:  
bring us, who have known the revelation of that light on earth,  
to see the radiance of your heavenly glory;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### (Additional – Christmas Night)

Eternal God,  
in the stillness of this night  
you sent your almighty Word  
to pierce the world's darkness with the light of salvation:  
give to the earth the peace that we long for  
and fill our hearts with the joy of heaven  
through our Saviour, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

### **(Christmas Day)**

Almighty God, you have given us your only-begotten Son  
to take our nature upon him  
and as at this time to be born of a pure virgin:  
grant that we, who have been born again  
and made your children by adoption and grace,  
may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit;  
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.**

### **(Additional – Christmas Day)**

Lord Jesus Christ,  
your birth at Bethlehem  
draws us to kneel in wonder at heaven touching earth:  
accept our heartfelt praise  
as we worship you,  
our Saviour and our eternal God. **Amen.**

### **Readings – Set I**

#### **First Reading – Isaiah 9.2-7**

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness – on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. For all the boots of the tramping warriors and all the garments rolled in blood shall be burned as fuel for the fire. For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onwards and for evermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

#### **Second Reading – Titus 2.11-14**

The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, training us to renounce impiety and worldly passions, and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly, while we wait for the blessed hope and the manifestation of the glory of our great God and Saviour, Jesus Christ. He it is who gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity and purify for himself a people of his own who are zealous for good deeds.

## **Gospel – Luke 2.1-14**

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn. In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid; for see – I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.' And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, 'Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favours!'

### **Readings – Set II**

#### **First Reading – Isaiah 62.6-12**

Thus says the LORD: Upon your walls, O Jerusalem, I have posted sentinels; all day and all night they shall never be silent. You who remind the LORD, take no rest, and give him no rest until he establishes Jerusalem and makes it renowned throughout the earth. The LORD has sworn by his right hand and by his mighty arm: I will not again give your grain to be food for your enemies, and foreigners shall not drink the wine for which you have laboured; but those who garner it shall eat it and praise the LORD, and those who gather it shall drink it in my holy courts. Go through, go through the gates, prepare the way for the people; build up, build up the highway, clear it of stones, lift up an ensign over the peoples. The LORD has proclaimed to the end of the earth: Say to daughter Zion, 'See, your salvation comes; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him.' They shall be called, 'The Holy People, The Redeemed of the LORD'; and you shall be called, 'Sought Out, A City Not Forsaken.'

#### **Second Reading – Titus 3.4-7**

When the goodness and loving-kindness of God our Saviour appeared, he saved us, not because of any works of righteousness that we had done, but according to his mercy, through the water of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit. This Spirit he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Saviour, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

## **Gospel – Luke 2.8-20**

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid; for see – I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.' And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, 'Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favours!' When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, 'Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.' So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

### **Readings – Set III**

#### **First Reading – Isaiah 52.7-10**

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news, who announces salvation, who says to Zion, 'Your God reigns.' Listen! Your sentinels lift up their voices, together they sing for joy; for in plain sight they see the return of the LORD to Zion. Break forth together into singing, you ruins of Jerusalem; for the LORD has comforted his people, he has redeemed Jerusalem. The LORD has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

#### **Second Reading – Hebrews 1.1-4**

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

## **Gospel – John 1.1-14**

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

## **Post Communion Prayer**

### **(Christmas Night)**

God our Father,  
in this night you have made known to us again  
the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ:  
confirm our faith and fix our eyes on him  
until the day dawns  
and Christ the Morning Star rises in our hearts.  
To him be glory both now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **(Christmas Day)**

God our Father,  
whose Word has come among us  
in the Holy Child of Bethlehem:  
may the light of faith illumine our hearts  
and shine in our words and deeds;  
through him who is Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

## **Next Sunday's Readings**

*First Sunday of Christmas: Isaiah 63.7-9; Hebrews 2.10-18; Matthew 2.13-23*



# This Week

## FRIDAY 27 DECEMBER

10.30am-12:00pm – **COME AND CHAT**

### *All Saints Oakham Church Hall*

All who feel they might benefit are welcome, from the recently bereaved, to those who experienced a significant loss long ago. Members of the Bereavement Supporters Group will be available to offer informal listening support and signpost to other services as appropriate. People are welcome to turn up on the day with no pre-booking required. More details on the website.

## SUNDAY 29 DECEMBER

8:00am – **HOLY COMMUNION**

### *All Saints Oakham*

11:00am – **TEAM HOLY COMMUNION**

### *St Andrew Whissendine*

**No other services today**

## Looking Ahead

## WEDNESDAY 1 JANUARY

10.30am – **TEAM WALKING GROUP**

### *Hambleton Peninsula*

The next walk will be our New Year's Day walk around the Hambleton Peninsula followed by a Bring and Share Lunch at 8 Peterborough Avenue. It is approx 5 miles (walking time 2¼ hours) and the terrain is on good tracks throughout. Please bring your lunch contributions to Peterborough Avenue for 10am then drive to the Fisherman's carpark at Hambleton for the walk to commence at 10.30am. We will car share as required. Anyone wishing to walk only meet at the Fisherman's park.

To enable us to monitor numbers and lunch contributions please ring Sally or Dennis on 01572 722272.

11:30am – **BELLS SERVICE**

### *St Peter & St Paul Langham*

## SATURDAY 4 JANUARY

7:30pm – **EPIPHANY CAROL**

### **CONCERT**

### *All Saints Oakham*

With the **Cambridge Fundraising Choir** in aid of Cancer Research UK.

## WEDNESDAY 8 JANUARY

### **MUSIC AT LUNCHTIME RESUMES**

## New Curate

I'm delighted to announce that we will be welcoming a new curate in 2020. **Simon Aley** of Manton, Rutland, is currently completing his ordination training and will be ordained at Peterborough Cathedral on Sunday 28 June 2020 at 4pm. Please pray for Simon and his wife Carys as they prepare for this new chapter in their lives. Charlotte and Iain will remain in post until at least Easter 2020. This is the new sign-off date for curates in Peterborough Diocese. After that they are free to respond to a call to ministry elsewhere. However they will retain the Bishop's license to serve in the Oakham Team until the end of the year should that be necessary. They will remain involved in their current areas of specific ministry as well as more generally throughout the Team until they move to a new appointment. Please pray for them as they discern the next steps that God has for them. Stephen.



#### What we need for stock

Tinned potatoes  
Smash  
Sponge puddings  
Small sugar  
Washing detergent  
Size 6 nappies and pull ups



#### What we don't need

We are well stocked at present the warehouse is looking very healthy.

A massive thank you to all who donated during the Christmas period and held fund raising events for us.

Its much appreciated and means we can help those in need.



Please Support Your Rutland Foodbank

Thank You



***Sunday Nights 6:30-8:00pm***  
*at 2 Wensum Close, Oakham, LE15 6FU*

An opportunity to explore Christian faith and  
experience God in relevant and radical ways through fun and games,  
Bible study, discussion and films

12/16/26 January, 9/23 February  
1/8/29 March, 5/19 April

Friday Film Night – 31 January, 13 March

Contact: Revd Charlotte Osborn – [charlotte@oakhamteam.org.uk](mailto:charlotte@oakhamteam.org.uk)



# Epiphany Carol Concert

Sung by current and former Choral Scholars from  
Cambridge University in aid of Cancer Research UK's  
Brain Tumour Research



7.30pm on Saturday 4th January 2020

All Saints' Church, Oakham

To buy tickets, please visit:  
<https://tinyurl.com/EpiphanyRutland2020>  
or ring Susie on 07809 229292.

<http://www.artsfortheheartofengland.co.uk>



# 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**

**All Saints Youth** (Year 7 upwards)  
Sunday evenings fortnightly 6.30-8.00pm in term time

**2 Wensum Close, Oakham LE15 6FU**  
(home of Revd Charlotte Osborn). See website or phone 01572 724198.

## HOME GROUPS

**Leader: Catriona Drye** (770429)  
2nd & 4th Tuesdays 10.00am

**25 Willow Crescent, Oakham**

**Leader: Patrick Wilson** (723288)  
2nd & 4th Thursdays 2.30pm

**6 Peterborough Avenue, Oakham**

**Leader: Monica Compton** (755734)  
2nd & 4th Mondays 7.30pm **Oakham**

**Leader: Alan & Gail Rudge** (755570)  
Mondays fortnightly 7.30pm

**34 Church Street, Braunston**

**Beatitudes Home Group** – **Leader:**  
**Revd Deborah Marsh** (01664 474652).

First Monday of month 7–9pm

**3 Paddock Close, Whissendine**

## EVERYDAY FAITH

**Leader: Revd Stephen Griffiths**  
Wednesdays monthly (see *calendar for dates*)  
**All Saints Oakham**

## CHOIR

**Laudamus Joint Choir Practice**  
Tuesdays 6.45-8.15pm **Whissendine Church**

**Langham Choir Practice**  
Tuesdays before 1st, 2nd & 4th Sundays  
11.00am-noon **Langham Church**

## BELL RINGING

**Oakham Bells** Tuesdays 7.30-9pm

**Braunston Bells** Wednesdays 7.30pm

**Hambleton Bells** alternate Tuesdays  
7.30-9pm (with Wing)

**Whissendine Bells** Thu 7.30-9pm

## MOTHERS' UNION

**Oakham & Braunston** 2nd Thursday  
2.15pm **Oakham Church Hall**;  
Corporate Communion 3rd Wednesday  
10.00am **Chapel of St John & St Anne**

## TEAM WALKING GROUP

Fourth Thursday of month, with pub lunch during winter and picnic during summer. See pew sheet for details.  
Dennis Corton (01572 722272)

## OTHER GROUPS

**Drop-In Centre** Tea, coffee, chat & lunch Wednesdays 10.00am-3.30pm

**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..

**Bereavement Supporters Training Group** Second Tuesday of alternate months 7.00pm in **Oakham Church Hall**

**Come & Chat Bereavement Support Drop In Group** Last Friday of each month  
10.30am-12pm in **Oakham Church Hall**

**Friends of All Saints Oakham**

Social events throughout the year – see pewsheets for details. **Liz Plummer**  
(01572 720506).