

St Michael & All Angels Church

serving the parish of Summertown



THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY 9TH JULY 2017

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WELCOME TO OUR INCLUSIVE, GROWING CHURCH FAMILY

St Michael & All Angels is a church where people are called to come together to explore the mystery of God's love. All of us, without exception, are called by God. A special welcome to all visitors and newcomers. May God bless you this day and every day. Please help yourself to a *Welcome Pack* before you leave.

PLEASE PRAY BY NAME FOR OUR ASSOCIATE CLERGY TEAM

Rodney Hill, Katie Jones, Susie Snyder, Nicholas Bradbury, James Finnemore

PCC MEETING THIS SUNDAY

We have (as ever) a full and varied agenda, including a review of our recent Eco-Sunday initiative, an update on safeguarding, a discussion on our mission-giving to Reaching the Unreached (the Indian charity supported by Threshold Project donations), a review of the Quinquennial building inspection and more still! Please keep the PCC membership in your prayers.

OXFORD & COWLEY DEANERY TRIP TO THE HOLY LAND

Revd Will Donaldson, Area Dean, will be leading a visit to Israel on 10-20 April 2018. Cost will be about £1,150 per person sharing a double room (single rooms will be available at extra cost) and will include all expenses except air fares and insurance. See poster on noticeboard.

KIMBERLEY & KURUMAN CONFERENCE IN SEPTEMBER

Fly to South Africa, joining Jan Cook, as representative to our link parish in Taung for a conference on Discipleship, Care for Creation & Responding to Inequality. £600 is available as a travel and accommodation grant. Meals are provided. Spend some time in South Africa before returning home.
Contact Jan - jancook720@gmail.com or Sue Smith - susan@sharetoo.co.uk

WANTED: VOLUNTEER(S) FOR GREENGATES

Specifically to visit a sprightly lady for about an hour each week, for chat over a cup of tea and/or short walks in the locality. For more information please contact her daughter-in-law Liz Woolley: liz@lizwoolley.co.uk; 01865 242760.

CHRISTIAN AID UPDATE

The totals for Christian Aid Week 2017 are as follows. This is made up of the cash collected in door-to door collections, the cash collected in St Edward's School and the cheques made out to Christian Aid.

TOTAL £3,550-83

After Gift Aid has been appropriated, it is hoped that more than £4,000 will have been raised. Congratulations to Nigel & Debbie Hamilton, Helen Dodd and their wonderful team.

BIBLE SOCIETY

I have been given access to a whole range of resources from the Bible Society which might help facilitate more thought about a regular bible group. I am keen to promote the culture of small group learning in our church. Please contact me in order to learn more. Gavin

WHY I LIKE ST MICHAEL'S

Comments from those in the know!

"... the emphasis on God as love and faith as a journey."

SUNDAYS

8.00 am Holy Eucharist
Traditional Language

10.00 am Parish Eucharist

1st Sunday of the month:
All-Age Family Eucharist
5th Sunday of the month:
Rotation with partnership churches

6.30pm Silent half hour
In the Lady Chapel

WEEKDAYS

Silent Prayer
9.00am in the Lady Chapel

Morning Prayer
9.30am (for 25min)

Holy Eucharist
Thursdays 10.00am
1st Thursday of the month: Healing - the laying on of hands and anointing.

Adult Choir Practice
Thursdays 6.30-7.45pm
Contact Steve Allen - 07717 852020

Men's Breakfast
1st Saturday of the month
Contact Steve Hunter - 01865 552475

For information on courses
Contact Gavin - 01865 556079

FOR CHILDREN

'Children's Church' on Sunday
meets in the vestry during
10.00am Parish Eucharist (not during school holidays)

Godly Play
every 4th Sunday
at 10am with a crèche provided

St Michael's Choristers Age 3+
practise Thursdays in church
in term-time at 5.30 pm and sing on the
1st Sunday of the month
Contact Alice - 07791 328108

Baby & Toddler Group
Tuesdays 10.00 - 12.00 noon
Play for children and chat for carers
Contact Juliet - 01865 552640



PLEASE STAY FOR COFFEE & VISIT OUR
TRAIDCRAFT STALL AFTER THE 10AM SERVICE





ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Close yourselves with the new self, created according to the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness. (Ephesians 4: 24)

COLLECT

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that with you as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not our hold on things eternal; grant this, heavenly Father, for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Zechariah 9: 9-12

Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion!
Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!
Lo, your king comes to you;
triumphant and victorious is he,
humble and riding on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.
He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim
and the warhorse from Jerusalem;
and the battle-bow shall be cut off,
and he shall command peace to the nations;
his dominion shall be from sea to sea,
and from the River to the ends of the earth.

As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,
I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.
Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;
today I declare that I will restore to you double.

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 11: 16-19, 25-end

Jesus said: 'But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the market-places and calling to one another,

"We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn."

For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, "He has a demon"; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, "Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax-collectors and sinners!" Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.'

At that time Jesus said, 'I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

'Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.'

CHOIR ANTHEM

Let thy merciful ears (Mudd)

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal God,
comfort of the afflicted and healer of the broken,
you have fed us at the table of life and hope:
teach us the ways of gentleness and peace,
that all the world may acknowledge
the kingdom of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Threshold Project

Building a place of welcome
for the local community



	Godly Play takes place on the 4th Sunday of the month at Children's Church (during term-time). We wonder at the story, respond to it and have a feast.
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<p>NEXT WEEK: FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY Readings: Isaiah 55: 10-13 / Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23 8am - Celebrant & Preacher: Katie Jones 10am - Celebrant & Preacher : Katie Jones</p>
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