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Notices

Sunday 19 May

Worship

All Saints	Trinity
<p>Sunday 19 May 10:30am Morning Worship led by Revd John Anderson</p> <p>Sunday 26 May 10:30am Morning Worship led by Belinda Kaur</p>	<p>Sunday 19 May 10:30am Morning Worship led by Ian Sturt</p> <p>Sunday 26 May 10:30am Morning Worship led by Revd Ian Griffiths</p>
<p align="center">Sunday 26 May Circuit Evening Service to celebrate preaching and the leading of worship Milton Methodist Church 4:30pm</p>	

CHURCH NEWS

Friday Coffee at All Saint's: 10.30 to 12pm.

Christian Aid Week: The Abingdon Christian Aid task group have created an e-envelope to take donations: <https://fundraise.christianaid.org.uk/envelope-2024/christian-aid-task-group-abingdon>

Thank you for all you do, for your support, your prayers and for your giving.

As always – Give – Act – Pray!

Foodbank: Many thanks for all your donations, at present the following are needed: razors, shampoo, men's deodorant, toothbrushes, kitchen sponges, flour and noodles. JPB & KB.

In anticipation of the school holidays – when families lose the support of school dinners and breakfast clubs – the Foodbank has launched **Kids Summer Meals Campaign**. Can you help by donating breakfast and lunch items such as cereal and long life milk, chocolate spread, jam, peanut butter, raisins, dried fruit, baked beans, spaghetti hoops, tinned tuna, cereal bars, bottles of squash etc. Sun cream also appreciated.

The Abingdon Passion Play is coming up on **June 22nd**. *More people are urgently needed for the main actors and for the crowd scenes*. If you are interested please get in touch with Ralph Westby. (lowbassel@gmail.com)

Wanted: Local children and young people to sing three songs in a massed choir in The Abingdon Passion Play. Radley College has very kindly organised for any children who would like to learn three songs for the Abingdon Passion Play (two performances on Saturday June 22nd at midday and 5pm) to come along at 4.15pm - 5.30pm to the Silk Hall at Radley College on Monday May 20th, to work with choir leaders who lead The Big Sing. Please send names of young people interested to Sally Mears (smears@gmail.com) in advance of this workshop. Thank you.

Hosts needed for CiA Church Twinning visit for Abingdon's Passion Play:



Thursday 20 to Monday 24 June. We have invited Christians from three of our twin towns to attend the Passion Play on 22 June. A good number of people are coming from Sint Niklaas in Belgium and possibly others from Argentan in Normandy and Schongau in Germany. They are invited to stay with host families to help forge personal friendships and live in our culture. We need people to offer to host them. A varied programme has been prepared for their time but most evenings and Sunday daytime are spent with you. For more detail please contact: Margaret Greaney Tel 534900 or Alastair Fear Tel 203023 (Trinity) or Maurice Tubb (All Saints)

All Saints:

The **Retiring Collection for Christian Aid** taken at All Saints on Sunday May 12 totalled £170. Forty pounds Gift Aid will be added to this amount, bringing the total donation to £210.

The **Tubb House Group** will meet at 7.30p.m. at 36 The Warren on **Monday 20th May**. We will study chapters 7 and 8 of Revive us Again by Leslie Newton.

The next **Bold walk** will be on **Wednesday 29th May**. It is a walk of five and a half miles. Rendezvous 9:45 am for a 10:00 start at Christophers Wood Car Park. From Rowstock drive 3½ miles towards Wantage. At the crossroads turn left towards Lockinge then right at the crossroads at the foot of the hill. The grassy car park is 80 yards along Ickniel Greenway. Lunch will be at The Grocer Chef in Ardington. After lunch it is about a 10 to 15 minute walk back to the car park. Further details and the menu are on the All Saints Notice Board. The walk will be led by Peter Hemmings

We know that all of **Margaret Long's** All Saints friends will be interested, and also sad, to know that this week she moved from Drayton to Weymouth to be close to her daughters, Juliet and Cathy. Margaret's new address is: Anning House Care Home, Cross Road, Weymouth, DT4 9QX.

Margaret, along with her husband Geoff, was a founder member of All Saints and has been a loyal and much loved member ever since. Now well into her nineties she has recently become very frail and in need of full care, so her family have decided to move her near to them allowing frequent visiting.

We have put a greetings card in the foyer to be signed by any of the congregation who would like to send a message to Margaret. *Jenny & Derek Pooley*

Also, we have recently heard that **Margaret Hoskins** has been moved to Didcot Hospital. *Diane Livesley*

Trinity:

Margaret Butcher will celebrate her 90th birthday on 10 June. If you would like to send her a card her address is: 31 Village Centre, Richmond Village, Letcombe Regis, OX12 9RG

Margaret has lost her address book and her niece Karen is trying to organise an afternoon tea for her at Richmond Village between 2pm and 4pm on 10th June. If you knew Margaret well and would like to help her celebrate please contact Liz Turner Tel Ab 525659 or Margaret Greaney tel Ab 534900 as soon as possible as Karen needs to have numbers for catering.

The next Church Meeting will be on Thursday 30 May, 7:30pm in Church.
Papers available in hardcopy or online

Trinity says Goodbye to Ian and Tabitha at a lunch at 12.15 on 23rd June. After the 10:30am service, led by Ian, he and Tabitha will share fellowship at a simple lunch in the Conduit Centre. We hope as many as possible will come along to give them a good send off.

Important. For catering purposes we need to know how many are coming. Either Sign your name on the list in the Welcome Area as soon as possible, together with any dietary requirements.

Or. Phone or e mail Eluned Ab 520282 / trinity.abingdon@gmail.com

or Eve on pering79@icloud.com, leaving your name *& dietary requirements*.

Further information and requests for help will be available in church and by email in the weeks ahead. Thank you from *Rosemary Richards, Judith Fear, Chris Foskett, and Eve Newton*

DIARY DATES

Friday 17 May: Deadline for the **June Trinity Triangle**.

Monday 20 May, Trinity Evergreen Club: A Speaker from The Vale of White Horse is coming to help us know exactly what and where we should put all our rubbish. I'm sure this will prove really interesting and enlightening.

Refreshments and raffle as usual. We start at 2.30 pm.

Mon 20 – Mon 27 May, Abbey Group Art Exhibition 10-5, St Nic's Church: 5 local artists showcasing: glass, collage, cyanotypes, painting, drawing and jewellery in beautiful surroundings. Fully accessible.

Thursday 23 May Abingdon School Music Awards Holders' Concert;

St Michaels Church 7pm. Free - see <https://www.abingdon.org.uk/sports-and-leisure/performance/music-award-holders-concert>

Friday 24, 25, 26, 27 May, Brightwell Village Hall Artists. 10am - 5pm (Monday 10 - 4pm). *Judith Payne* and Friends would love to see any of you who have time to come and enjoy a gossip and the lovely countryside and cow parsley around this pretty village.

Saturday 25 May 2.30 pm – 4.30 pm, Cream Tea St Michael's Church, Park Road. Join us for an afternoon of live music. Tea/coffee with scone/cake £5. Proceeds to church funds. All welcome.

Thursday 6 June, The Abingdon Bridge AGM: 7pm in The Barn Christ Church, Northcourt Road, Abingdon, OX14 1PL. RSVP by 30th May 2024 – kirsty@theabingdonbridge.org.uk

Saturday 8 June, Quiet Garden Day at Aston Tirrold Centre for Reflection 10 am - 4 pm. Leader: Philip Mader-Grayson. *Theme: The Joy of Lament:* exploring thoughts from Esther de Waal's book 'The White Stone'. Refreshments are provided, but please bring a packed lunch. A donation of £10 would be welcome. To attend it would be helpful to email: atquietgardendays@gmail.com in advance. All are welcome.

DENOMNATIONAL NEWS

A Prayer for Aldersgate Sunday (May 19):

Look, I am making all things new.
Revive us, Lord, in all we do.
Reach into our hearts,
through Spirit, wind and flame.
Renew us, Lord, in word and deed.
In us build a new creation.
May our hearts be strangely warmed,
that we might grow and change together.
We pray your spirit come,
that it might be on earth as in heaven;
that we might be bold to speak and pray,
that your church might grow again.
Father, revive your church.
Help us share your love with others.
Enable us to teach your word.
May we be alive to you.
Help us be alert to each other's needs;
disciplined in prayer and deed.
Build in us a vision for your kingdom,
received in grace, peace and wisdom.
Amen.

Rosie Bryant

For more resources for Aldersgate Sunday see:

<https://www.methodist.org.uk/for-churches/resources/seasons-and-themes/special-sundays/aldersgate-sunday/>

The **May** edition of the **URC Sharing the Vision** is now available [online](#) or in hard copy from the Office.