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# Trinity Church Methodist & United Reformed

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## **Notices Sunday 20 April**

Worship

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All Saints	Trinity
Sunday 20 April	Sunday 20 April
Easter Day 10:30am	Easter Day 10:30am
Morning Worship	Morning Worship
with Holy Communion	with Holy Communion
led by	led by
Revd Georgina Bondzi-Simpson	Revd Carol Hamilton-Foyn
Sunday 27 April	Sunday 27 April
10:30am Morning Worship	10:30am Morning Worship
led by	led by
Daphne Savage & Sarah Ifill	Elizabeth Wood

### **EASTER EVE – Saturday 19**

All are warmly welcomed to join the Easter Vigil at St Michael's at 8pm, at which the **Trinity Paschal Candle** will be blessed.

#### **NOTICES**

Graham and Sarah Ifill's daughter Rose is planning to run her second half marathon in aid of *Great Ormond Street Hospital*, and hopes to raise £300. She'll be competing in the Hackney half in May. If you would like to sponsor her that would be great! Links to Rose's just giving page:

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Rosehackneyhalf?utm\_medium=FR&utm\_source=CL

Christian Aid launches Myanmar Earthquake Appeal to donate see <a href="https://www.christianaid.org.uk/appeals/emergencies/myanmar-earthquake-appeal">https://www.christianaid.org.uk/appeals/emergencies/myanmar-earthquake-appeal</a>

**Foodbank:** This week the following items are needed: fruit juice, custard, mackerel, rice, soya milk, tinned mince, chickpeas, pesto, cooking oil and corned beef, as well as deodorant for men or women and also strong carrier bags. Thank you as ever for all your donations. JPB

The deadline for May issue of Triangle is Friday 19th April

Please send contributions to Cynthia (<u>cynbartlett@yahoo.co.uk</u>) AND to Val (vadalby17@gmail.com) or via the Office

#### **ALL SAINTS NEWS**

**Easter Sunday:** Some of the ladies who arrange the flowers in church for us are making the arrangements for our flowers for Easter Sunday. In addition to this everyone needs to remember to **bring a flower to the Easter Sunday Service** to decorate the cross at the front of the church.

**Just Women, Wednesday 23 April.** We shall meet in the hall at 7.45pm to have another go at improving our Kurling Skills. All women welcome.

**Knitting:** I am in the process of knitting one of the *green jumpers* for the Zambian project which Rosemary supports so superbly. I then hope to be able to help with any snags that may occur! Ask me for a pattern or see:

https://trinityabingdon.org.uk/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/Jumper-Pattern.pdf

Incidentally if anyone needs *support for knitting* something a little more challenging than our previous items we could arrange a get-together to offer help if required! *Many, many thanks...Eileen* 

#### TRINITY NEWS

**Parking restrictions in Park Road and Park Crescent** will be lifted for Easter from 6:30pm on Thursday 17th April through to 8:00am on Tuesday 22nd April.

Read the **Easter message from Synod Moderator Michael Hoskins** – in the Welcome Area or at https://trinityabingdon.org.uk/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2025/03/Lent-message-2025.pdf

The **April edition of the URC Share the Vision** is now available from: <a href="https://www.urcwessex.org.uk/sharing-the-vision-april-edition/">https://www.urcwessex.org.uk/sharing-the-vision-april-edition/</a> or the Office.

**Fuse Cupboard in Church:** The cupboard shielding the electric fuses in the Welcome Area (next to the light switches) has been fitted with a lock. There is one key next to the Church Keys in the Ministers' Vestry, and another in the key cupboard in the Office.

Anniversary Celebrations: Preparations are gathering apace regarding the celebration service for Trinity's 150th Birthday at 3.00pm Sunday 1st June 2025.

We are looking for a **host family to accommodate** Rev Malcolm Atherton and his new wife Gill, for the nights of Saturday 31 May and possibly 1 June as he will be participating in the Celebration Service. Offers to Neil Oastler please.

**CAKES FOR 150th TEA:** There is a sign up sheet at the back of church for folk who are able to offer some sort of cake for our 150th church Anniversary Tea after the afternoon service. Cup cakes, tray bakes would be most welcome.

Also, if anyone has any *paper plates and/or paper napkins* could you give them to Judith Fear or leave them in the office. Thank you!

ANY Photographs related to life at Trinity over the last 150 years would be appreciated by Neil or Alastair please. Originals can be scanned and returned, or sent electronically. Thanks!

#### **DATES**

Wednesday 23 April, Men Speak Up: *An evening talking men's mental health* Amey Theatre, Abingdon School 7pm Tickets: £17/50 / £12.50. Minimum audience age: 18+ See <a href="https://www.abingdon.org.uk/sports-and-leisure/performance/men-speak-up-an-evening-talking-mens-mental-health/">https://www.abingdon.org.uk/sports-and-leisure/performance/men-speak-up-an-evening-talking-mens-mental-health/</a>

Saturday 26 April, 2.30 pm – 4.30 pm, St Michael's Church, Park Road, Abingdon will be hosting their first Cream Tea of the summer season. Join us for an afternoon of live music. Tea/coffee with scone/cake £5. Proceeds to church funds. All welcome.

**Tuesday 29 April, Silent Reflections**; 7.30 pm at St Michael and All Angels. Sue Scott will provide material for our reflections on the theme: Forgive and there will be the opportunity to walk the labyrinth. Final prayers will be at 8.30 pm and refreshments will be available. We meet initially in the church room. Parking permits are available for use in Park Road.

Wednesday 30 April, Abingdon Cake Club: A new fun informal space for baking enthusiasts. Meetings every 6-8 weeks from 7-9pm in a town centre café. Bring a cake to share and discuss baking. Free – drinks available to buy. All over 18's welcome. *Numbers limited, pre-booking essential*- contact <a href="debbiegarrod21@gmail.com">debbiegarrod21@gmail.com</a> / 07939 260580

Thursday 1 May Moving into Stillness: circle dancing to Taizé music with silent interludes at St Michael and All Angels from 9.45 – 10.45 am before the regular circle dancing session at 11 am (now on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month only). Elizabeth Mitchell will be the teacher. No prior experience/partner needed. Tea and coffee will be provided.

**Saturday 10 May, Christian Aid Market Place Sale:** 9 am to 12 noon plants, books, CDs, DVDs, cakes and preserves. There will also be a street collection, as well as an online availability to make donations. For further information, contact Christine at christine@thehutts.co.uk. Donations welcome – on the day or speak to Eluned.

Saturday 10 May, An Evening in Support of The Nasio Trust – All Saints Church, 6pm. Organised by the All Saints Church Family Committee. Hear about the latest work at NASIO and experience a Nasio-style meal. To book your place email <a href="mailto:annematthews@hotmail.com">annematthews@hotmail.com</a>. Or see the sign up sheets in the Foyer at All Saints and the Welcome Area at Trinity. Donations on the night to NASIO warmly welcomed.

**Saturday 10 May, Labyrinth Day Retreat:** St Michael's, from 10.15 – 4 pm. The day will be led by Jim Bailey, a member of the Northumbria Community. He is a spiritual director, therapeutic art facilitator and retired church minister. Donations of £15 would be appreciated towards running costs and can be paid on the day. Further details and booking forms from Carol Bowman (carol@manxcat.me.uk) and Sue Sheppy (susan.sheppy@btinternet.com).

Tuesday 13 May, Dementia – turning understanding into action; Susan Williams, Secretary of Dementia Friendly Abingdon, will be giving a talk on dementia and the supportive strategies we can all take. 7.30 pm at St Helen's Church Parish Centre. All welcome. Admission free. Refreshments available.

**Saturday 17 May Saying Goodbye Service;** 1pm in Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford This is a service for anyone who has either personally lost a baby at any stage of pregnancy, at birth, or in early years, or who has been affected by family members' or friends' loss. Whether the loss was recent or 80 years ago, everyone is welcome to attend. We have also extended the services, and gladly welcome anyone who is grieving the fact that they haven't had children. Babies and children welcome.

Organised by Saying Goodbye, (part of Mariposa International) see <a href="https://www.sayinggoodbye.org/">https://www.sayinggoodbye.org/</a>