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Notices Sunday 24 August Worship

All Saints	Trinity
Sunday 24 August 10:30am Morning Worship Led by Revd A Grist	Sunday 24 August 10:30am Morning Worship led by Andrew Dixon
The flowers this week are gifted to celebrate Phil's life on what should have been our 20th Wedding Anniversary. Sue Russell	
Sunday 31 August 10:30am Morning Worship led by Local Worship Leaders	Sunday 31 August 10:30am Morning Worship led by Local Worship Leaders

The Deadline for Submissions to **The September Triangle** is Saturday 23 August. Contributions to both Cynthia (cynbartlett@yahoo.co.uk) AND to Val (vadalby17@gmail.com) please or via the Office

The next All Saints Coffee Morning is on Friday 12 September, 10:30-12noon.
All welcome.

ALL SAINTS NEWS

Closure of the Abingdon Nat West Bank: The closure of the branch on 24th September is regretted and the finance team will thereafter be using the local post office for purposes of paying into our bank account with Nat West. If anyone who currently contributes through the Sunday collection plate would prefer to donate by bank transfer this would be helpful and bank details can be provided by contacting Richard at church or by e mail to richardmatthews32@hotmail.co.uk

Thank you for the continuing support of the church as the new Methodist year begins on 1st September.

All Saints Finance Team

Prayer meeting: Starting on Friday September 12th at 10am there will be an 'In person' prayer meeting at All Saints. This will be on the 2nd Friday of each month, taking place just before the regular monthly Friday Coffee mornings. Carol Foyn and Eileen Appleyard are convening the group which will meet in the Perry Room. We will start with a short reading and introduction and Carol and Eileen will begin and close the session. You do not have to pray out loud, though you are more than welcome to do so, and we will meet for about 30 minutes. All are welcome to join us and if you would like to know more please speak to Carol or Eileen.

All Saints now has a **WhatsApp Prayer group** with daily ideas to help focus your own praying. If you would like some more information about the group or would like to join us then please talk to Sue Russell who is the administrator. Many thanks.

A Church Twinning visit to our Christian friends in St Niklaas in Belgium is taking place from 2 to 6 October 2025. Travel will be in a group by minibus and accommodation will be with host families. If you are interested please contact Maurice Tubb as soon as possible, as places are very limited.

Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust annual Stride will take place on Saturday 13th September, from 10am to 6pm, when All Saints will be open to welcome Striders. If you can spare an hour or more to greet visitors, please speak to me or phone 01235521300. Thank you, Margaret Hoskins

Knitting/shoe boxes! We are starting on our next project - and anyone can join in: male or female; knitters and non-knitters, even you!

Before you start to fill the box it is good to cover it with attractive paper if you wish. Then choose: is it to be for a boy or a girl; and of which age group: 2-4; 5-9; or 10-14? Please clearly label your box. There are a lot of stationary items at reasonable prices at the moment as our children return to school. Another idea is that those of you who are knitters could knit an angel to go in each box. Let me know if YOU have ideas to share. The boxes must be ready by about the middle of October. *Eileen*

TRINITY NEWS

CHURCH TWINNING: A church twinning visit to our Christian friends in St Niklaas in Belgium is taking place from 2nd to 6th October 2025. Travel will be a in a group by minibus and accommodation will be with host families. If you are interested and would like more details please contact Alastair Fear or Margaret Greaney as soon as possible as places are limited. Priority will be given to people who have not visited St Niklaas on a previous visit.

SOFEA at Trinity (Friday mornings): you may be interested in this article on SOFEA – images taken at Trinity (a)

https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/cj3lz3l3de6o

The August **URC Wessex Synod Sharing the Vision** is now available from https://www.urcwessex.org.uk/sharing-the-vision-august/ or hard copy from the Office.

Ride & Stride and Heritage Open Days – Welcomers Needed on Saturday 13th September & Sunday 14th September. Please sign up on the board at the back of church if you are available to be a welcomer. Your support will be much appreciated. *Alastair*

Lynnette and Jackie will be riding their mobility scooters around Abingdon's churches for Ride & Stride. You can sponsor them using the form on the board. 50% of the money comes to Trinity and 50% to the Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust.

Deacon Selina's welcome service

in her new Circuit will be on

Sunday 7th September at 4pm at Salisbury Methodist Church

St. Edmund's Church Street, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP1 1EF Followed by refreshments

The Service will be streamed on YouTube

https://youtube.com/live/Z0R1JobdsRE

Parking: Salt Lane Car Park is a short walk to the church.

https://en.parkopedia.co.uk/parking/carpark/salt_lane/sp1/salisbury/?arriving=20250 8141500&leaving=202508141700 (payment £1.90 on a Sunday)

Please note: the service is at SALISBURY METHODIST church and <u>not</u> at AMESBURY Methodist Church which is where she will be going!!!

NOTICES

Foodbank: at the moment the foodbank needs custard, pasta sauce, tinned fruit, plain flour, tinned chicken, cooking oil, orange and apple juice, tinned tomatoes and green tea as well as shampoo and deodorant (men & women). *As ever - thank you very much for your continued support. JPB.*

The **next URC Enquirers' Conference** is on 4 October 2025. 9.30am – 1.30pm on zoom. See flier attached

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Friday 22 (7pm) & Saturday 23 August (2pm & 7pm), West Side Story; DiY Theatre presents actors, musicians and dancers from Oxfordshire, Leiden, Bonn, and Grenoble in a powerful retelling of this tragic tale.

https://www.abingdon.org.uk/sports-and-leisure/performance/diy-theatre-west-side-story/

These are the young musicians who have been rehearing at Trinity

Saturday 23 August, 2.30 pm - 4.30 pm, St Michael's Church will be hosting the penultimate Cream Tea of their popular summer series. Join us for an afternoon of live music. Tea/coffee with scone/cake £5. Proceeds to church funds. All welcome.

Saturday 6 September, Abingdon Healthfest 2025, 10am – 2pm; Meet many of the groups that help the people of Abingdon to enjoy life, improve wellbeing and stay healthy.

https://healthyabingdon.org.uk/healthfest2025.htm

Sunday 14 September, St Michael's Church, 3 pm: **Huw Rhys James**, Viennese conductor and concert pianist is returning to for the 6th time to perform music by Haydn, Mozart, Liszt and Debussy. Tickets £12, accompanied children under 16 free, available online from 1st August at https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FBGM or by cash/card on the door.

FaithTalk: Everyday Evangelism in the URC, Tuesday 23 September 7pm, FaithTalk at Christmas – Thinking Ahead! How do we make the most of wonderful opportunities to talk about our faith during Advent and Christmas... how can we talk about our faith personally at this time, and how can our church talk? Join us online for a relaxed conversation to share ideas and experiences and find out about helpful resources. Register for the link at mission@urc.org.uk

24-7 PRAYER at Peachcroft Christian Centre: Prayer connects us all with God. As part of the Global Week of 24-7 Prayer PCC will be hosting a prayer room, with non-stop prayer happening day and night. *Friday 5 September at 7.00 am to Sunday 7 September at 8.00 am*. We invite you to join us praying for our world and our community. There will be themed prayer stations set out in the main church hall. You can just drop in or sign up for one or more hour long slots. To find out more visit https://www.peachcroftcc.org/prayer/24-7-prayer-september-2025.

Ministry Enquirers

Learn what God might be asking of you

4 October 9.30am-12.30pm on Zoom

Join us in thinking about God's call to: Stepwise, Worship Leading, Lay Preaching, Lay Pioneering, Ministry with children and young people, the Ministry of Word and Sacraments or Church Related Community Work.

Email us for joining details: ministries@urc.org.uk