



# TRINITY NOTICES

9  
December  
2018



## CHURCH NEWS

**Brian and Doreen** send warm Christmas Greetings and good wishes for the New Year to all their dear friends at Trinity. We will be making a donation to 'Action for Children' instead of sending cards

**Thanks** to all who brought candles for last week's service. Please collect any left behind from the Choir Vestry.

**LOST:** Last Sunday, 2nd Dec., I took into church a small blue plastic bag containing a candle and candle-holder in another clear plastic bag. At the end of the service, I could not find them. If anyone locates them, please return them to me. *Ruth Dams*

The **Thursday Group Christmas** party will be on Thursday, December 13th at 7.30pm in The Conduit Centre. Please bring something for a shared buffet, a present for Santa's sack and any ideas for a game or entertainment.

**Evergreen Club:** We are so fortunate to have Pandemonium visiting us in Monday 17th December, for an hour's entertainment. Lillian Seymour has tickets for sale for a mere £1.50 – and your get Tea too!!!! Full details in The Triangle.

**Advent Devotional Booklet:** this booklet has been produced by the Circuit for use during Advent. It's being distributed to members of home groups, and there are some additional copies on the Stewards' table. Please take a copy if you would find it helpful.

**Christmas cards:** There is a selection of Traidcraft Christmas Cards on the card stall. Some at reduced prices. ***Take a look!***

**Trinity Learning:** Trinity Learning was one of the 3 shortlisted projects for the UK Groundwork Awards 2018. The category was 'Best community

group contribution to education & employment'. Petronella and Eve dined in the Strangers Dining Room of the House of Commons where the winners were announced. Although Trinity Learning wasn't the overall winner, we were delighted to be amongst all the other shortlisted groups. We congratulate and thank Rosemary for all she has done to achieve this high recognition. *Petronella & Eve*

**Are you 'home alone' for Christmas?** Peachcroft Christian Centre invite you to join them for Christmas Lunch 1-3pm on Christmas Day. Assistance with transport is available. Places are free but booking essential – contact Ruth or Adam on 07379 469311 or [events@peachcroftcc.org](mailto:events@peachcroftcc.org)

**Amnesty Write for Rights Campaign:** booklets are now in the rack in the Welcome Area. Please borrow one and write a letter to someone whose human rights are being denied. Then return the booklet for someone else.

**LAMPS** presents '**Beasts of Bethlehem**'. Christ Church Barn, Monday 17 Dec 4pm & 7pm and Tuesday 18 Dec 1:30pm & 7pm. Tickets £10/£5 (under 16s) from 07452 982705, [bookings@lampscollective.com](mailto:bookings@lampscollective.com) or [www.buytickets.at/lampscollective](http://www.buytickets.at/lampscollective).

**Dates for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2019:** United Service in Christ Church at 3pm on Jan 27; Daily Lunch Time Prayers in St Nicolas at noon, Mon 21 to Fri 25; Quiz, Friday 25 at 25th in St Helens

**Sunday 20th January:** Look forward to a warm and happy occasion in the new year when the caterers will serve a hot lunch in the Conduit Centre after morning service. Donations will be invited as part of the support for our charities in 2018-19. We are supporting Brookfield House in Oxford, and Old Station House, Abingdon. *Eve*

## THANKS

Dear All, I would just like to say thank you so much for the help and support with the **church fair**. Over £1,000 was raised for the church funds which was great. Although the weather was not very pleasant, we had a great turn out and hopefully everyone enjoyed themselves. *Joanne*

# CAN YOU HELP?



All I **still** want for Christmas is more Torchlight Cast  
Three sturdy Shepherds, Two Wise Men,  
And Joseph comes last.  
*Margaret Langsford*

There is an online petition requesting the government to consider removing VAT for works on existing church buildings. (Currently only listed buildings can apply for an exemption. Trinity is not a listed building so we pay VAT on all works). You may be aware that if 100,000 signatures are found for any petition then the government have to consider the issue and make a decision. If you would like to sign the petition can be found at: <https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/225494>

**Mince pies for the Carol Service** at 6pm on 16 December. Please add your name to the list in the Welcome Area if you are going to bring 6 mince pies for the refreshments which will be served in the Hall afterwards. Thank you. *Eve*

**TrinityLearning** is looking for cheerful, pro-active volunteers to help Rosemary support school activities at Trinity in the run-up to Christmas. Please e-mail [trinitylearning@gmail.com](mailto:trinitylearning@gmail.com) if you could help with any of the following:

Wed 12 <sup>th</sup>	8:15 - 9:15	Refreshments for Carswell parents
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 - 11:00	Stewarding for service
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup>	1:00 - 3:00	Stewarding for service
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 - 11:00	Helping children's rehearsals (DBS preferred)
Tues 18 <sup>th</sup>	11:00 - 2:00	Refreshments for staff/lunchtime supervision (DBS needed)
Tues 18 <sup>th</sup>	all day	Helping children's rehearsals (DBS preferred)
Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 - 11:00am	Stewarding for service

# DATES for the DIARY

**Saturday 15th December, ADMS CHRISTMAS CONCERT** for choir and orchestra. Christmas Carols & Readings, Vivaldi: 'Winter' from the Four Seasons, Finzi: Prelude & Romance for strings. 7.30pm, Trinity Church. Free admission, collection in aid of the charity SeeSaw

**Advent labyrinth walks at St Michael and All Angels, Park Road, Abingdon:** the church will be open on **Tuesday 11 and 18 December** between 11 am and noon, and 7 pm and 8 pm. There will an opportunity to walk the labyrinth or simply to enjoy the sacred space. Material for reflection will be available on a different Advent theme each week. A short prayer will be said at the beginning and end of each session, but feel free to come and go as you please. Entry will be through the porch on the south side of the church.

Copies of the **Winter 2018 Circuit Exchange**  
are now available in the welcome area.

## NEXT WEEK at TRINITY

Friday	14	10:00 am	Prayer Group meets in the Quiet Room
Thursday	15	7:30 pm	Thursday Group, Christmas Party in Conduit Centre
Sunday	16	10:30 am	Morning Worship & Holy Communion led by Revd Ian Griffiths
		<b>6:00 pm</b>	Trinity / ABC Carol Service led by Deacon Selina

### Useful Contacts:

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