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Notices Palm Sunday Sunday 24 March

Worship

All Saints Sunday 24 March: 10:30am Morning Worship & Baptism led by Deacon Selina

Easter Services – see p4

Trinity Sunday 24 March: 10:30am Morning Worship led by Revd Ian Griffiths Followed by Church Meeting

Easter Services – see p4

Church News, ALL SAINTS:

Maundy Thursday Service and Supper: Please remember to sign up for the Supper which is part of the service if you are able to come. There will be extra available if you find you are able to join us. *Thank you, The Stewards*

Easter Flowers: We will be dressing our cross with flowers on Easter Day, and encourage everyone to bring a bloom to add to the display.

There will be a plate in the Entrance Hall this Sunday for donations towards the flowers to decorate the Church on Easter Sunday.

Please also join in helping to decorate the Church *on Easter Saturday* from 10.30am. The flowers will be there to be arranged or simply to be put in vases. *Thank you*

Friday Coffee 10.30am to 12pm. This will start again from April 12th. Offers of **volunteers** to make coffee once a month or whenever you can will be gratefully received. Also if you have a *craft or activity* you would like to share or books for our *book swap*, these also would be appreciated. Please contact Dawn *Thank you*



Teddies: No ears! It seems that in some of the packs the instructions for the bear ears were omitted from the pattern. I have made copies of that section so please see me if you need one I have asked for a few more packs so that anyone else who wishes to knit a teddy bear for children coping with bereavement can take them home – however they may not be available until next Sunday, *Eileen*

More caring. Our mum, **Margaret Long**, who is a long-standing member of All Saints but lives in Drayton, is finding daily life more of a struggle and would now appreciate help with tasks such as preparing meals, getting dressed, laundry, escorting to GP appointments etc. She has regular care from an agency but a more consistent person in addition to this would enhance her caring experience immensely. Ideally there would be daily visits of 1-2 hours, with some weekends if possible, but everything is negotiable. Good rates of pay! If you know someone who might be interested, please ask them to ring us (Margaret's daughters Juliet 01305 457210 or Cathy 01308 862670).

Death of Judith Bates: Members of All Saints congregation that remember the ministry of Rev'd Gordon James will be sorry to know that his former wife, Judith, now Judith Bates, died on Sunday 10 March. She leaves two sons, Gerard James – gerardjota@gmail.com and Richard James – richardlouisjames@gmail.com. Judith's husband, Rev'd Trevor Bates – trevor.159bates@btinternet.com - is over 95 but able to look after himself in MHA sheltered housing in Leeds. Gordon's email address is gordonjames@blueyonder.co.uk. Paul Williams

Church News, TRINITY

THIS SUNDAY: The postponed Church Meeting has been rescheduled for Sunday 24 March – after the morning Service.

Mission Boxes: Would those people with Mission Boxes return them to Ruth Sillitoe as soon as possible please.

Park Road & Crescent: parking restrictions will be lifted from 8pm on Thursday 28th March until 8am on Tuesday 2nd April for the Easter period.

DIARY DATES

The deadline for contributions to the next Trinity Triangle is Friday 22 March.

Saturday 30 March, Come and Sing Bach St John Passion at Christ Church Northcourt Rd. Singing Workshop Tickets £20. Start time 10.30am, registration from 10am. Concert from 5-7pm, tickets £12. Please see website for tickets and further information <u>wwwabingdonpassionplay.co.uk</u>

Friday morning 5th April, our Church Twinning visitors will be at **All Saints** for a talk by Deacon Selina Nisbett on Methodism, the diaconate and the Church in Abingdon. Anyone from All Saints or trinity who would like to come to the Hall at 10.00am to meet them would **be very welcome**.

Please note there will be no coffee morning at All Saints on Friday 5th April

COMMUNITY NEWS

Church Twinning: Over the week-end of April 4-8th the Church in Abingdon Church Twinning Group will be hosting a group of six ladies from churches in our twin town of Schongau in Bavaria.

The visitors will be taken on a tour of Abingdon, being shown historic buildings and churches. They will also go to Oxford for a walking tour of the City and visit the Cathedral. On Saturday they will be invited to dinner in people's homes affording an opportunity to meet more Abingdonians.

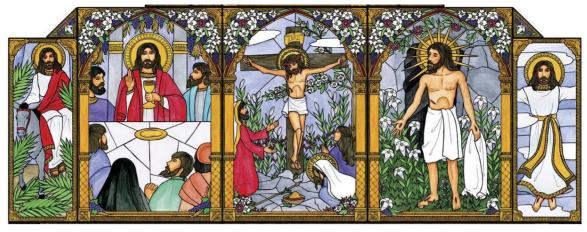
Foodbank: thank you for all the donations; currently the foodbank needs cooking oil, tea bags, green tea, tea bags, hot dogs, hot chocolate, easter eggs, deodorant and cat biscuits. The support from All Saints is much appreciated. *JPB*

You are all are invited to:



Trinity Toddlers would welcome congregation members to join our team of **Befrienders** / **Welcomers**. Befrienders are there to talk to our lovely parents and carers, providing a friendly ear. **Thursday mornings 9:30 -11:15**. You need not be available every week, and there is no need to help with any of the setting up / clearing away (unless you want to). Might this be for you? Come along next week or speak to Deacon Selina. Volunteers will need a current DBS and Safeguarding training – but this can be arranged for you.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER



Maundy Thursday

All Saints 7:00pm

Holy Communion led by Revd Ian Griffiths

Trinity 7:00pm

Maundy Thursday Service at *Abingdon Baptist Church* led by Revd Rachel Hughes & Deacon Selina

Good Friday

All Saints 10:00am

Good Friday Service led by Revd Ian Griffiths

Trinity 10:00am

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Good Friday Worship led by Deacon Selina & Revd Rachel Hughes

CiA Procession of Witness and Outdoor Service:

11.45 am at Abingdon Library proceeding through the town centre 12 noon a short outdoor service in the Market Place

led by Pastor Ellie Ball, Abingdon Vineyard Church. All welcome.

Easter Saturday

St Michael's, Park Road, 8:00pm

Easter Vigil, lighting of the new fire & First Mass of Easter including Blessing of the Trinity Paschal Candle

EASTER DAY

All Saints 10:30am

Holy Communion led by Revd Ian Griffiths

Trinity 10:30am

Holy Communion led by Revd John Anderson



Don't FORGET Clocks change EASTER DAY Saturday 30 / Sunday 31 March

