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Notices Sunday 14 December

Worship

All Saints	Trinity
<p>Sunday 14 December No Morning Service</p> <p>3:30pm Carol Service led by Revd Georgina Bondzi-Simpson at which there will be a retiring collection for Christian Aid Followed by coffee and mince pies</p>	<p>Sunday 14 December 10:30am Morning Worship led by Revd Carol Hamilton-Foyn</p>
<p>Sunday 21 December 10:30am Morning Worship led by Elizabeth Wood</p>	<p>Sunday 21 December No Morning Service 4:30pm Carol Service led by Revd Georgina Bondzi-Simpson</p>

Advent Bible study for *All Saints and Trinity* led by Rev Carol Foyn.

Friday afternoon from 2-3.30pm in the Perry Room at All Saints and each one stands alone so don't worry if you cannot make all of them – just come when you can:

Friday December 19th – Joy in the Unexpected – Mary, the mother of Jesus.

ALL SAINTS NEWS

The **Tubb House Group** will meet at 7.30pm on **Monday 15 December** at 36 The Warren for an evening of Carols, readings and food.

A **community card** will be in the lobby throughout Advent if you would like to sign it to wish friends a Merry Christmas. All donations will be given to ***Shelter***.....it will save the cubby holes filling up with individual cards!

Against Breast Cancer. Again, I am ***collecting*** unwanted costume jewellery, bras, any coins, empty printer cartridges, and used stamps with 1 cm border. I will put a box in the foyer, and take them to the centre off Audlett Drive at the end of January. *Thank you. Rosemary.*

All Saints Knitters: for our next challenge we are knitting for NASIO – v necked cardigans for newborns or 0-3months (pattern available [online](#) or from Eileen). Sue would like them by mid-January ready for her to take out in February. We hope this can be fitted in alongside any other Christmas knitting. *With thanks Eileen*

TRINITY NEWS

Winter Warmer

Thank you to the catering team for providing such a lovely meal at the winter warmer on Sunday 7th December, to the Abingdon Handbell Ringers for playing, and to everyone who was able to come along and support the event.

We are especially grateful for people's generosity in donating to Trinity's Christmas Charities. A total of £280 was raised. After expenses of £76.40,

£204.60 will be given to the charities

Thank you all for helping make it such a happy and generous occasion.

As usual we would like to offer mince pies after our **Carol Service** on 21 December, all donations gratefully received. Please bring your contributions on the day, and place on the table provided. *Thank you*

Thank you: The Royal British Legion collection box in Trinity received £70.70

There are leaflets about the **Christmas services at Trinity and All Saints** at the back of the church. These are for delivery ***to your neighbours / roads and friends***. Please take some, and leave a note indicating where you will be delivering. Any left nearer Christmas will be distributed

The December 2025 URC Wessex Synod **Sharing the Faith** is now available from <https://www.urcwessex.org.uk/sharing-the-vision-december-edition/>

NOTICES

Foodbank currently needs: UHT whole milk, corned beef, tinned pineapple, sweetcorn, cereal bars, plain flour, cooking oil, tinned meat stews and meat balls.

Thank you for your continued support and for any extra donations you may make for Christmas. Thank you too to those people who give cash to the foodbank. *JPB*

Eco Tip 2 - Where can I recycle.....?

It is often difficult to work out whether an item can be recycled or not, and if so how and where. Oxfordshire County Council has a “*Waste Wizard*” to help with this dilemma at <https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/waste-and-recycling/recycle-repair-reuse>

You simply enter your postcode and then Search for an item to recycle, repair, reuse or dispose of – and it will tell you if and where you can.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

CiA Christmas Carol, Saturday 13 December Come to the Market Place, from about 10 am, and join us as we sing Christmas Carols together to the people of Abingdon. All musicians welcome – please contact Debra Mcknight, the CiA Administrator, for details of Carols and keys. There will be chairs for those who would prefer to be off their feet. Bring along your Christmas hats and bells, drums, etc. to this wonderful celebration of Christmas. Abingdon Street Pastors will be joining us after the Carol singing to offer hot pasties and drinks to all.

Saturday 13 December, ADMS Christmas Concert; 4pm in St Helen’s Church. Family concert with carol singing and Christmas refreshments. Tickets available through www.wegottickets.com/adms. Supporting The Abingdon Bridge.

Advent Labyrinth Walks: St Michael and All Angels will be open on *Tuesday 16 December between 11 am and noon*. 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. Parking permits are available.

Wednesday, 17 December, 7.00 pm, St James the Great, Radley. An evening of seasonal music and spoken word from LAMPS Collective. Donations on the door.

Saturday 20th December, Heavenly Realms; LAMPS Collective are returning with their brand new Christmas Show! *3.00pm and 7.00pm* - Peachcroft Christian Centre. Join the OAPs (Old Angel Pensioners) of retirement home Heavenly Realms, as they get ready to celebrate Christmas and share memories of the very first one. Festive fun for all the family from age 8 - 800. Come along and invite your friends! Tickets £10 adult, £5 Child/young person (8-18) Suitable for age 8 upwards Ticket link: <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/peachcroft-christian-centre/heavenly-realms/e-gpygml>

The Wessex Synod of the URC is pleased to invite you to the induction of the
Revd Wayne Hawkins as
Oxfordshire Ecumenical Minister
at 2pm on Saturday 10th January at Trinity Church
Please let the Office know if you plan to attend by 31 December



Beginning in the new year, Matt Forsyth, Mission Team Leader at District, will be leading a pilot of a new course entitled *Everyone an Evangelist*.

I am delighted to invite you to take part in a pilot of Everyone an Evangelist, a new course from the Methodist Church designed to help local churches and circuits explore how we are each called to share our faith.

The course offers space for honest conversation, reflection, and practice. Together, we'll seek to demystify evangelism and build sustainable, intentional rhythms of both personal and shared witness. It's about discovering the confidence and joy of sharing good news in ways that are natural, authentic, and life-giving within our communities.

When and Where

The pilot will run on Zoom across four evening sessions, all starting at 7:30pm-9:30pm:

- Tuesday 24th February 2026
- Tuesday 24th March 2026
- Tuesday 29th April 2026
- Tuesday 8th July 2026

About the Pilot

This will be a small-scale pilot, with a maximum of four participating groups — one of which we hope will be a Local Ecumenical Partnership (LEP). Ideally, we would have between 5 and 6 people from a church or circuit join. As facilitator, I will accompany your group between sessions to offer practical support and encouragement, and to help facilitate. District grant support where appropriate.

Every Blessing, Matt Forsyth

Interested or interested in knowing more?

Please contact the Circuit Administrator – Jane Hawes - on:

wantageabingdoncircuit@gmail.com



Christmas at TRINITY CHURCH

Carol Service
Sunday 21st December at 4:30 pm

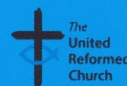
Christingle Service
Wednesday 24th December at 4:00 pm

Christmas Day Service
at 10.00 am

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All Age Carol Service
Sunday 14th December at 3.30 pm

Christmas Day
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