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**All Saints
Methodist Church**

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**Trinity Church
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Notices Sunday 15 March 2026

Worship

All Saints	Trinity
<p>Sunday 15 March 10:30am</p> <p>Morning Worship led by Libby Bolton</p>	<p>Sunday 15 March 10:30am</p> <p>Morning Worship led by Rev. John Anderson</p>
<p>Sunday 22 March 10:30am</p> <p>Morning Worship led by Rev. Carol Hamilton-Foyn</p>	<p>Sunday 22 March 10:30am</p> <p>Morning Worship led by Rev. Georgina Bondzi-Simpson</p>

Jesus' Journey to the Cross

A joint All Saints/Trinity Lent course in the Perry Room at All Saints **March 20th and March 27th** from 2-3.30pm. We will be following Jesus' journey to the Cross looking at the Temptations, the events of Holy Week, Jesus' Trials and the events at the Cross itself. All are welcome - just bring a Bible. Further details from *Rev. Carol Foyn*

Oxfordshire High Sheriff Awards 2026: Last Monday Mike Brown (All Saints) was presented with an award by the Oxfordshire High Sheriff for his 20 years+ volunteering at The Abingdon Bridge. *Well done Mike!*

GDPR: any one holding or handling personal information (eg pastoral visitors, stewards/leadership team members, admins, booking secretaries, event planners, club organisers/volunteers) should be aware of the Methodist approach to data handling. Circuit has arranged two introductory sessions (one F2F one over zoom) to cover the basics. I am sending out details on these. If you think you should attend but do not receive further information please accept my apologies and get in touch and I will forward them to you. *Eluned*

TRINITY NEWS

Trinity Evergreen Club - Monday 16th March: This is our annual Songs of Praise afternoon. Many members have chosen their favourite hymns and we will try and sing as many of them as time permits. As always we are amazed at how well we all sing, and how much we enjoy ourselves doing so!!! We meet at 2.30 and there will be the usual tea and biscuits.

Trinity Guides invite you to a **family fundraising evening** on Wednesday 18 March, 7:15-8:30pm. Jams, candles, plants, refreshments and games. Apologies we can only handle cash not cards.

Easter Services: there are cards detailing Easter Services in Trinity & All Saints in Church. Please take one yourself, and consider whether you can help deliver them nearby – there will be bundles for distribution made up. *Thank you Alastair*

Church Twinning: Our friends in Schongau Bavaria have invited church friends from Abingdon, together with a group from St Niklaas Belgium, for a church twinning weekend from **4th - 8th June 2026**. Accommodation will be with host families and a programme for the weekend is planned. If you are interested please contact Alastair Fear or Margaret Greaney for more information by 1st April as places are limited.

Flowers for Church

If you are providing flowers for church there are a few things you can do to reduce the environmental impact as part of our Eco Church efforts:

- Use flowers and foliage from your own garden where possible
- Foliage may be taken from the Church garden from time to time (please ask Heather and Stuart Townsend for guidance on what to take)
- If you buy flowers, use UK grown flowers if you can, rather than flowers flown in from abroad
- Try not to use Oasis in your arrangement - it is made of plastic and cannot be recycled, so once used up must go in the grey bin for incineration

Many thanks to you all, David Perrow

THE PASSION by The LAMPS Collective looks at the events leading up to the first Easter and is ideal to invite non church-going friends to in the lead up to Easter. Audiences describe it as "urgent, raw, compelling ... and astonishingly real"

Saturday 21 March St Mary's church, Iffley 7.30pm

www.ticketsource.co.uk/st-marys-iffley

Sunday 22 March St James the Great, Radley 3pm and 7.30pm

www.ticketsource.co.uk/lamps-collective/e-grkjpg

Friday 27 March Burton-Taylor Studio, Oxford 3pm and 7.30pm

www.oxfordplayhouse.com/events/the-passion

LAMPS would be delighted to see you supporting Christian theatre in Oxfordshire

6th Abingdon Trinity Guides have lots of fabulous girls enjoying the Guiding programme each Wednesday. However, so we can offer more to the girls and to make sure we have enough adults for each week, we are in need of further adults. You could be a unit helper or undertake the leadership training. It's rewarding, tremendous fun and can be flexible (you don't need to be there very week); for more details contact us at: 6thabingdonguides@gmail.com

Maggie Blake (Benson) is *collecting for Ukraine*. Now winter temperatures are reaching -20°C and with little electricity available, desperate needs are Strong waterproof boots, Medicines/bandages, Candles/candle wax for heating, Warm clothing for indoor/outdoor use, especially warm socks, Electronic equipment to be broken down for parts to be reused. Many thanks

Foodbank: At present the following are needed – oat milk, pesto, rice pudding, sardines and tuna, custard, UHT milk, cooking oil, coffee, hot chocolate, corned beef, squash and tinned fruit. Shampoo is also needed and there is still a need for carrier bags. *Thank you.*

Save the Date, Saturday 18th April: bible study/retreat day to be led by the Rev. Richard Andrew, President of the Methodist Conference, at Thornborough Methodist Church from 10am until 3pm. This is a district-wide event, and you will be very welcome to attend, in person or on Zoom. Further information to follow, but you are welcome to register your interest in attending office@northamptonmethodistdistrict.co.uk.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Tuesday 17 March, Stations of the Cross at St Michael and All Angels, at 7 pm (for about 40 minutes). These will be lay led. If you park in Park Road or Crescent, come in to get a parking permit, otherwise the parking is free in the surrounding streets.

Saturday 21 March, ADMS choral concert with organ accompaniment; 7.30pm St Helen's Church. Handel – Coronation Anthems, Bach – Jesu, Joy of Man's desiring, Purcell – I was Glad, solo organ interludes. Tickets £16 at the door / £14 buy early / £1 children, or from Wegottickets (booking fee applies), or from Peter Smith 01235 521392.

Tuesday 24 March Agnostics Anonymous: 6 pm in The Parish Centre, aiming to finish about 7.15 pm. “*Are you saved. Ideas of salvation in the bible and today*”, led by The Revd Professor John Barton and the Revd Dr Jennifer Brown. All welcome.

Sunday 29 March, Kennington Chorale, Easter Concert: 3pm St Swithun’s Church, Kennington. Stainer, Crucifixion; Mozart, Ave Verum; Faure, Cantique de Jean Racine; Rutter, Praise ye the Lord; American Spiritual, Were you there? Admission free, donations invited for Bell Restoration Fund.

ALL SAINTS NEWS

Maundy Thursday Service and Light Meal - Revd. Alan Grist will be leading our Maundy Thursday Service at 7.00 pm which includes a light meal and communion. To help with catering please add your name to the list on the notice board in the foyer.

Easter Sunday Breakfast - We will start our Easter Sunday celebrations with an Easter Breakfast starting at 9.15 am. To assist with catering please add your name to the list on the notice board in the foyer.

Local Arrangement Service – On 12th April we will be conducting our own act of worship. If you feel that you can help with this in any way then please let me know in person or by email (happleyard@btinternet.com). We will get together after the service on 22nd March to plan this together. Helen Appleyard

Planning for Growth - As you will have read in the notices in previous weeks each church in the circuit has been asked to consider and engage with ‘Planning for Growth’ and to establish a ‘Growth Action Plan’. To help with this the stewards are inviting everyone to take a booklet which will be available from 8th March and prayerfully consider the questions contained in this. Please write your responses in the booklet and return to the box on the hymnbook trolley by Easter Sunday (5th April). *With thanks, The Steward Team*

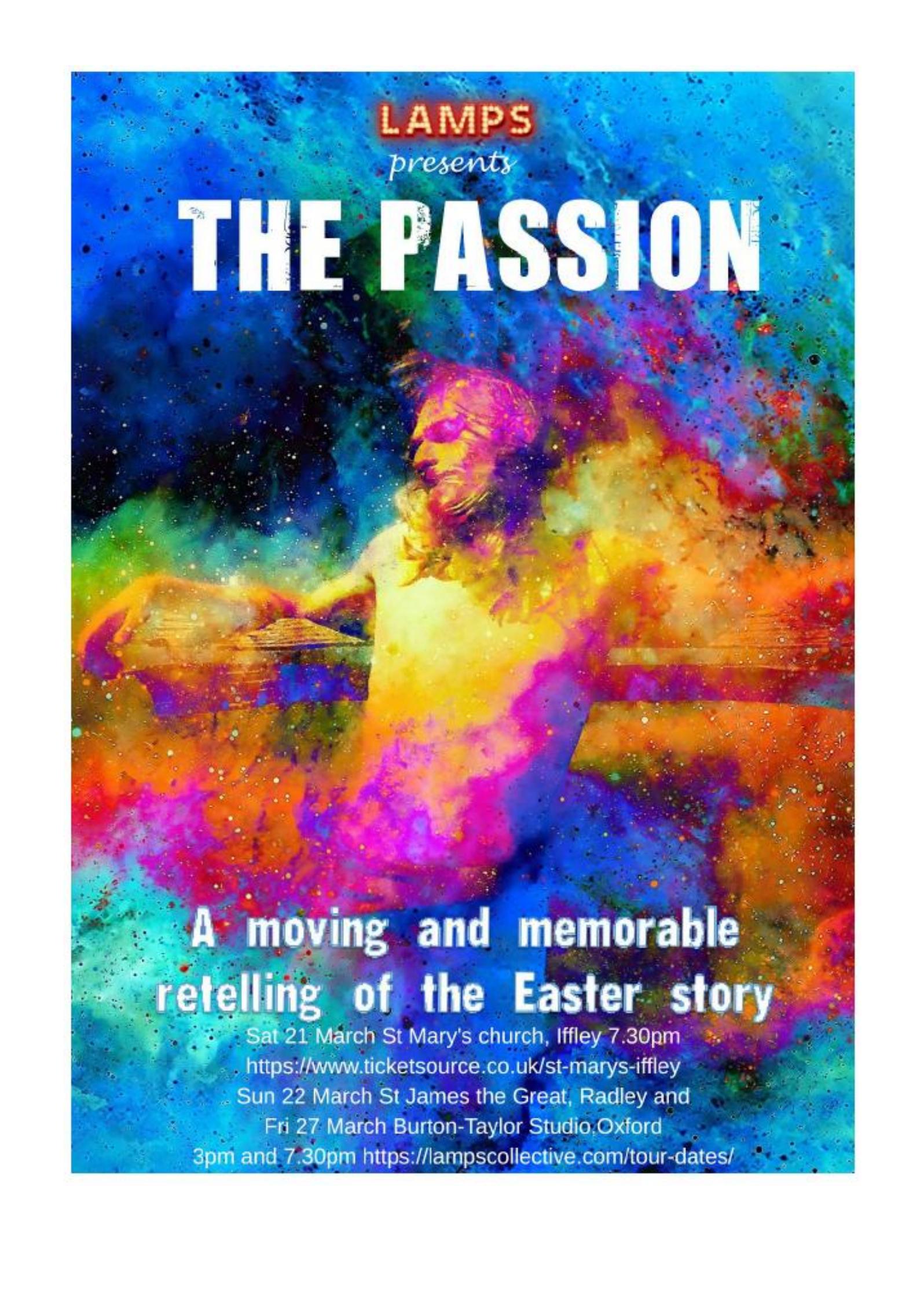
Thank you All Saints for enabling us to give the foodbank **20 Meaningful Easter Eggs**. They have been delivered there so families in need will see the Easter story in the booklet. Joanne Phipps *Joanne on behalf of Church Council.*

A message from the All Saints Pastoral Committee

As you know pastoral care is rooted in John Wesley’s teachings and upheld by Methodist structures. A Methodist pastoral visitor is a Church member who is appointed to a small group of people in their local congregation and they connect with these people in many ways, usually through visits, phone calls and emails. They offer support and a listening ear in difficult times, pray for those on their list and inform the minister or pastoral secretary of any special needs.

If you think you might be able to take on the role of a pastoral visitor at All Saints please speak to Georgina or Sue Butler.

Advance Notice: **the 2026 Annual Church Meeting** will be on Sunday 17 May



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THE PASSION

**A moving and memorable
retelling of the Easter story**

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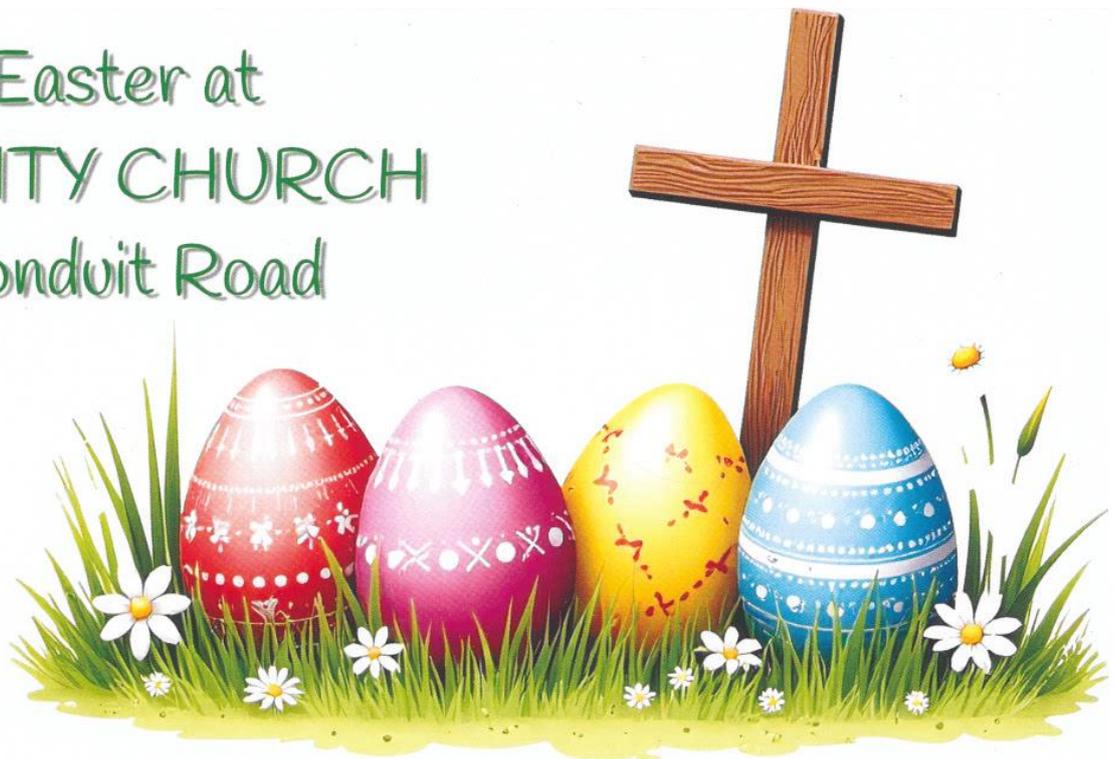
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Palm Sunday – 29th March
Morning Service at 10.30 am

Maundy Thursday – 2nd April
Joint Services at either
Abingdon Baptist Church at 7.00 pm or
All Saints Methodist Church at 7.00 pm

Good Friday – 3rd April
Morning Service at 10.00 am
Followed by the Church in Abingdon Walk of Witness
and Service in the town centre starting at 11.45 am

Easter Sunday – 5th April
Service and Holy Communion at 10.30 am

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