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Methodist Church**

Appleford Drive  
Abingdon

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**Trinity Church  
Methodist & United Reformed**

Conduit Road  
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## Notices Sunday 10 May 2026 Worship

All Saints	Trinity
<p><b>Sunday 10 May</b> <b>10:30am</b> Morning Worship &amp; Holy Communion led by Rev. Georgina Bondzi-Simpson</p>	<p><b>Sunday 10 May</b> <b>10:30am</b> Morning Worship led by Rev. Pauline Main</p>
<p><b>Sunday 17 May</b> <b>10:30am</b> Morning Worship led by Rev. John Anderson</p>	<p><b>Sunday 17 May</b> <b>10:30am</b> Morning Worship led by Rev. Wayne Hawkins</p>

### Remember

The annual **Christian Aid Market Place**, Saturday 9 May, 9 am to 12 noon.

## ALL SAINTS NEWS

The **Tubb House Group** will meet at 36 The Warren on **May 11th** at 7.30p.m. We will be studying Chapters 16 and 17 of St John's Gospel.

**Just Women: Wednesday 13 May** Chat Evening, to be led by Jenny Pooley How Life has changed since we went Green. 7.30pm, Perry Room. All women welcome.

I recently visited **Sue Gill** - 6 years since she left us to go to Grange-over-Sands in Cumbria. She sends greetings to everyone. *Rosemary.*

All Saint's **Annual General Meeting** will take place on **Sunday 17th May 2026** straight after the morning service. Following this there will be a **'Bring and Share' lunch**. Please sign up on the sheet in the foyer if you plan to stay for lunch and indicate the type of sweet or savoury dish you could provide. Jacket potatoes will be provided. *Church Family Committee*

Papers are available now advance – via the website / email – with some hard copies in church.

## TRINITY NEWS

**Thursday Group** will **NOT** be meeting next week (14 May). We look forward to seeing you all in June for the Summer Social.

**A big thank** you to all my church family for cards, messages, flowers and visitors I have had after my hip operation it is really appreciated *Love Lindsay*

**Action for Children:** thanks to your generosity we were able to send £360 to AfC, see the thankyou letter in the Welcome Area

## CHURCH NEWS

You are invited to **TrinityLearning's Volunteer Celebration Event** on **Tuesday 19th May** 4pm-6pm at the Conduit Centre Hall, Conduit Road, Abingdon, OX14 1DB. As always it will be very informal, with lots of cake!

This will be Nicola's last Volunteer Celebration Event before she leaves in the summer and we are hoping to introduce her replacement as Education Development Officer, Hannah Richards, at the event too.

All TrinityLearning **volunteers, supporters and those interested in finding out more** about our work supporting wellbeing in Abingdon's Schools are welcome!

Please RSVP to [nic.trinitylearning@gmail.com](mailto:nic.trinitylearning@gmail.com) so we know how much cake to get!

**Time Out for Parents - The Primary Years - A course from Care for the Family** **Thursdays 7.30 - 9.30pm**, June 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th, July 9th, 16th at Peachcroft Christian Centre, Abingdon. This course of six sessions is designed to help you negotiate the early years with confidence and build strong family relationships for the

future. The course will cover:

1. What being a parent is really like
2. Children's needs
3. Feelings and listening
4. Boundaries and parenting styles
5. Keeping safe
6. Building strong families

Open to all parents and carers of primary age children. Booking and more information: <https://www.peachcroftcc.org/community/parenting-course>

**Foodbank:** at the moment needs biscuits, cereal, squash, tinned fruit, tinned mac'n'cheese, tinned soup, jam, UHT milk (whole or semi-skimmed) and also deodorant for men and carrier bags. Very many thanks for all the donations. *JPB*

**World Record Attempt!** Duncan Bhaskaran Brown (son of Mike Brown & JPB) is planning to morris dance 200 miles along the Thames Path starting on Sunday 10 May. He is doing this as a world record attempt to raise money for six mental health charities in the Thames Valley. There is a celebration in **Abingdon Market Place at 5pm on Tuesday 12 May** when you can cheer him on. Thank you everyone for your support. *JPB*

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

**Saturday 9 May 6pm, Concert** at St Michael's Church: Wantage Academy Brass, CARITAS Children's Choir and Wantage Youth Brass. Fund-raising concert for The Abingdon Bridge, TARIRO – Hope for Youth in Zimbabwe and the church. Tickets are available on-line, <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FYLI>, and at the door (credit card payments accepted). Adults £12, concessions £10, 16 & under free.

**Saturday 16 May: Cakes & Ale Festival to Commemorate St Edmund of Abingdon:** Events all day in our town centre and town centre churches. Talks, concerts etc – pick up a programme from the back of Church [or read on line](#)

**Saturday 16 May, Concert, Trinity Church 7:30pm.** Handel: Dixit Dominus, Zadok the Priest; Vivaldi: Gloria. Choirs from UK, Grenoble & Sweden Tickets £15/£12/£4 [www.ticketsoxford.com/events/dixit-dominus](http://www.ticketsoxford.com/events/dixit-dominus) or on the door

**Tuesday 19 May,** In Conversation with **Music Journalist Penny Kiley**. Author of ATYPICAL GIRL Punk Rock, Liverpool and trying to be normal. **Wallingford Methodist Church** 12 noon—1.00 pm. Admission free. *In partnership with Wallingford Bookshop*

## ECO THOUGHTS

**Eco-Tip for May: Avoid Helium Balloons Please**

What goes up must come down! So all those helium balloons that are released at fairs, birthdays and weddings all fall back to earth or into rivers and seas where they can cause damage by being eaten by farm and domestic animals or ingested at sea by

seabirds or mammals. Additionally, helium is a gas which is in short supply - both today because of the Gulf War, but also in nature - it is a finite supply and demand is exceeding supply. A third of helium is used in medical contexts, and more is used in scientific research. It is a valuable resource, and should not be wasted in party balloon releases. In the UK there is no national ban on helium balloons, but over 100 local authorities have banned them (and sky lanterns) - including Oxford City Council which bans both their sale and release. We can help by not buying such balloons and encouraging our family and friends to do likewise

Useful Links

<https://www.theguardian.com/environment/2026/apr/02/the-dark-side-of-the-balloon-boom-is-it-time-they-were-banned>

<https://www.mcsuk.org/what-you-can-do/ocean-friendly-living/dontletgo/>

<https://greenwithless.com/eco-friendly-alternatives-balloons/>

 <p><b>Join us for our Volunteer Celebration</b> All volunteers and supporters are invited to come and celebrate our work over tea and a nice slice of cake! RSVP <a href="mailto:nic.trinitylearning@gmail.com">nic.trinitylearning@gmail.com</a></p>		
<p><b>MAY 19TH 4 – 6 PM</b></p>		<p><b>CONDUIT CENTRE HALL, CONDUIT ROAD</b></p>

200 MILES | 7 DAYS | 1 WORLD RECORD



# 200 MILES OF MORRIS

**LONDON TO ABINGDON AND BACK. ON FOOT. IN BELLS.**

Most people train for a marathon. Duncan is morris dancing 200 miles. He's taking on one of the more gloriously absurd challenges in living memory – a week-long dance-out from London to Abingdon and back. He's set to smash the current record of 146.25 miles and raise money for six incredible causes along the way.

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May

7:00 pm

Hall & Woodhouse, Taplow

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May

7:30 pm

The Three Guineas, Reading

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May

5:00 pm

Abingdon Market Place

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May

7:30 pm

Windsor and Eton Bridge

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May

7:00 pm

Eagle Brewery Wharf, Kingston upon Thames

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May

3:00 pm

Tate Modern, Bankside



**COME AND JOIN HIM AND BRING YOUR FRIENDS**

## RAISING MONEY FOR SIX INCREDIBLE CAUSES

- The Rowan Trust
- Maidenhead Alzheimer's Dementia Support
- The Brain Tumour Charity
- Thames Valley Adventure Playground
- The Sherwood Foundation
- The Listening Post

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# TIME OUT FOR PARENTS



## THE PRIMARY YEARS

Sessions for anyone parenting children aged 5 to 11

### Peachcroft Christian Centre

Lindsay Drive Abingdon  
OX14 2RT

**Thursdays, 7.30 - 9:30pm**

June 4th	June 25th
June 11th	July 9th
June 18th	July 16th

For more information:  
contact Rhoda or Marjorie on  
[parenting@peachcroftcc.org](mailto:parenting@peachcroftcc.org)

Book online via  
[peachcroftcc.org](http://peachcroftcc.org)



Common-sense, jargon-free information  
and ideas to help you to engage with your  
children and boost your relationship