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Notices

Sunday 11 October 2026

All Saints	Trinity
Sunday 11 October 10:30am Morning Worship & Holy Communion led by Rev. Georgina Bondzi-Simpson	Sunday 11 October 10:30am Morning Worship & Holy Communion led by Rev. Wayne Hawkins
Sunday 11 October 2:30pm Communion Service at the Beaumont Care Home, Boars Hill All welcome	
Saturday 17 October Celebrating Black History Month see p2	
Sunday 18 October 10:30am Morning Worship led by Carolyn Luscombe	Sunday 4 October 10:30am Morning Worship led by Dr Graham Luscombe

CHURCH NEWS

Confirmation Classes

are being planned for Spring 2027.

Anyone interested, of any age, should contact Georgina (contact details p1)

Wantage & Abingdon Circuit Commemorate Black History Month, Saturday 17 October 2.30 – 6.30



Black History Month Celebration—Wantage & Abingdon Methodist Circuit

You are warmly invited to join us for a special Black History Month event

Saturday 17 October, from 2.30 pm to 6.30 pm, at Trinity Church, Conduit Rd, Abingdon OX14 1DB

This afternoon event brings together voices from across the Methodist family and beyond, offering reflection, learning, worship, and shared fellowship:

- **Talk:** *The History of Black History Month* **Mr Bevan Powell MBE**
- **Act of Worship:** **Dr Sonia Hicks**, Chair of the Northampton Methodist District
 - **Storytelling:** **Mr Joseph Kingsley Nyinah**
 - **The Methodist Zimbabwe Fellowship Choir**

In Conversation: A twenty minute dialogue with **The Rt Hon. the Lord Boateng**

We will conclude with a **shared faith meal**, celebrating the rich culinary heritage of the African and Caribbean diaspora

To assist us in finalising arrangements, we would be most grateful if you could kindly indicate your availability for the event

We look forward to welcoming you.

RSVP: wantageabingdoncircuit@outlook.com

Parking restrictions on Park Road (west) and Park Crescent will be lifted from 1.30pm till 7pm. Please do not park on the grass verges, and respect residents' access.

For catering purposes it would be good to know who is coming

There should be a sign up sheet in both All Saints and Trinity
or email wantageabingdoncircuit@outlook.com

Foodbank currently needs: fruit squash, tinned peas, chocolate spread, cereal, hot chocolate, tinned macaroni cheese, jelly, oat milk, tinned custard, tinned salmon and tinned fruit. Very many thanks for all your support. JPB

The Deadline for the **November Trinity Triangle** is Friday 23rd October. Please send contributions to Cynthia (cynbartlett@yahoo.co.uk) AND to Val (vadalby17@gmail.com) or via the Office.

Cafe@35, We are pleased to announce that our cafe in 35 Ock Street is serving food again. We are open from 10.30 am to 2 pm Monday to Thursday serving cakes, teacakes and toast with light lunches, freshly made, from 12 noon until 1.30 pm. On

Fridays and Saturdays, we are open from 10.30 am to 12.30 pm serving cakes and snacks including bacon baps. Our volunteers are happy to welcome all.

Volunteering Opportunities: If you would like to volunteer in the café, we would love to hear from you. Catering - preparing and serving food; Catering assistants - helping with preparation and washing up; Listeners - on hand to listen and talk. Full training is given. Please phone 35 Ock Street on 01235 530080 or contact Linda King for an application form at linda.king52@talktalk.net or call in the cafe during open hours.

ALL SAINTS NEWS

Just Women: Wednesday 14 October 7.30pm Perry Room. Rob Charlton will talk with us about The Rowan Trust; a charity he has founded in Abingdon to help people who have some mental health difficulties. All women welcome. Please come to listen and chat with Rob.

At the Dementia Friendly Service on 5th December we would like to give everyone who attends **a knitted / crochet angel**. Own patterns are great to bring variety and there are many patterns available on the internet (look up 'Knitted Christmas Angels – the Methodist Church'). Or see a selection [here](#) (ask the Office if you'd like a hard copy). *Sue Russell*

All Saints Brownies: I am extremely sad to discover that all three of our Brownie Leaders have to finish as Leaders at Christmas. The Brownie Pack is the oldest of our uniformed organisations and has been at All Saints for over 50 years. Do you know anyone we can approach about becoming part of the Brownie Leadership Team? I'd be very happy to chat about this. Please give this your prayerful consideration. *Thank you JPB*

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Sunday 11 October, Abbey Chamber Concert, Cello's Angels – works by Handel, Bach, Schumann, Ravel & Granados for cello trio. 3.00 – 4.00pm @ St Nic's. Tickets £13, accompanied children free. Read more

Tuesday 13 October Abingdon Mothers' Union, 10.30am in the Parish Centre. The talk will be **Bee Keeping – by local bee keeper, David Busby**. All are welcome.

Sunday 18 October, Europe and Bach again! A musical concert by Christopher Brittan on Flute and Malcolm Pearce on Piano. 3pm at St Michael's. Tickets £15.00. Refreshments available.

Tuesday 20 October, Book Launch – *No Ordinary Neighbour* by Revd Bruce Thompson. Wallingford Methodist Church 12 noon. *No Ordinary Neighbour* is the record of a growing relationship that led to an astonishing admission. Through conversations over the last decades of his life, Erwin Stahlberg slowly disclosed his true identity in a protracted confession to the writer. He was, it transpires, one of the last surviving members of the Leibstandarte-SS Adolf Hitler. This is no conventional memoir, it is a deep examination of how one young man could so readily become

immersed in a brutal military unit, one of the most feared of the Nazi regime, and explores the lessons we must learn afresh today. (*Amazon*)

Wednesday 21 October, Eating Well for the Planet: *what needs to change – and who has to do what to make it happen*. Talk by Dr John Ingram (specialist in planning for food system sustainability and reliance). Abingdon Baptist Church, 7:30pm
Organised by Abingdon Carbon Cutters

Abingdon Artists Autumn Exhibition: Tuesday 27th October - Saturday 31st October 10am – 4:30pm. Free entry and affordable art for sale. Christchurch Barn, Northcourt Road, Abingdon, OX14 1PL

TRINITY NEWS

Operation Christmas Child we are inviting donations to make up Christmas parcels for the shoe box appeal. There will be a box in church for the next few weeks. Complete boxes also welcome. The boxes need to be ready by mid October. Suggested gifts: Pencils / Coloured Pencils; Sharpeners & Erasers; Little Notebook; Colouring Books (Which have to fit into a shoebox); Toothpaste and Toothbrushes; Hats, Scarves & Gloves; Small Toys (not war related); Soaps & Flannels; Sweets with a good date, but no chocolate. See leaflet in church or

<https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/sites/default/files/2026-09/Gift%20Suggestions%202026.pdf>

Many thanks, Lindsay

The Sept/Oct edition of **Ethical Consumer** is now available in the Church foyer to borrow/read. This issue's topics are: ethical deodorants, makeup, vitamins and supplements, and nappies

ECO TIP

Any spare wood? Oxford Wood Recycling (<https://www.oxfordwoodrecycling.org.uk/>) on Suffolk Way in Abingdon accepts donations of wood and can collect. They also sell wood if you need to buy

Any surplus tools? Tools with a Mission (TWAM) <https://www.twam.uk/> collects surplus garden and DIY tools etc. and sends them to Africa. They can collect but if you can deliver there is a drop off person in Wallingford

Any old paint? Old paint is hard to dispose off. If you have fuller pots in good condition you can donate it to Community Repaint (<https://communityrepaint.org.uk/>) The nearest drop off point is in Newbury. If you have to throw old paint away then it needs to be done carefully using the instructions on the OCC website [recycling wizard](#)