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Notices
Sunday 8 November 2026

All Saints	Trinity
Sunday 8 November **Remembrance Sunday** **10:30am** United Service **Morning Worship and Act of Remembrance at Trinity Church** led by Peter Hemmings	
Sunday 8 November **Communion Service at Beaumont Care Home, Boars Hill** **2:30pm**	
Sunday 15 November **10:30am** Morning Worship led by Elizabeth Wood	**Sunday 15 November** **10:30am** Morning Worship & Junior Church led by Rev. Wayne Hawkins

Confirmation Classes
are being planned for Spring 2027.
Anyone interested, of any age, should contact Georgina (contact details above)

CHURCH NEWS



TRIANGLE IS AT RISK!

We urgently need new members of the Triangle Editorial Group, as some of the current group have had to step back for health or other reasons. We meet each month to look at the material for the next month's issue. One person takes responsibility for each issue, collating the material and liaising with Mike Coleman who sorts out the printing side of things. With a group of about six people, that "turn" comes up only a couple of times a year and is not too onerous, hence the need for new members.
If you interested, and reasonably confident in using your computer (especially Word), please speak to Pauline Main or Cynthia Bartlett for further details.

Emergency Briefing: On ***Thursday 19 November*** our friends at Christchurch are showing a public viewing of ***The People's Emergency Briefing***. This is a 50-minute film which presents an evidence-based overview of how the climate and nature crisis is affecting everyday life in Britain - and what the science says about risks and responses. It brings together leading UK experts in climate science, food security, health, economics, national security and nature to address these issues, hosted by Chris Packham. To book your place follow the link People's Emergency Briefing (19-Nov-2026) ·

Christmas Day lunch 2026 (Peachcroft Christian Centre)
Looking for volunteers
Helper on the day (attending the day essential 11am - 4:30pm): Can you bring hospitality, kindness and fun? Can you chat with guests whilst eating Christmas lunch? Can you serve and clear tables? Can you set up and pack down with Christmas cheer?
Clean up crew (attending from 3pm) Can't attend the whole day but can bring some energy to the clean up, we would love to have you.
If interested in either roles, please email jay.elliott@peachcroftcc.org . We will be opening to guest sign ups soon, details to follow.

All Saints/Trinity Advent Bible study - Advance notice.
Our joint Bible studies will be held on ***Friday November 27th, Friday December 4th, Friday December 11th and Friday December 18th***. We will meet in the Perry Room at All Saints from 2-3.30pm and this year we will be looking at the opening chapter(s) of each of the Gospels, as they tell of the birth of Jesus.
Week 1 will be Matthew Chapter 1, Week 3 Luke Chapter 1 and verses 1-7 of chapter 2, and Week 4 - John Chapter 1 v. 1-14.
Week 2 (December 4th) coincides with the Singing group and, as Mark simply tells us of 'the beginning of the Good News about Jesus' , we will sing about that Good News and explore some of the themes of our well-known carols.
All are welcome to come to one or more of the studies as they all 'stand alone'.

Foodbank*:* at present the foodbank needs fruit squash, instant coffee, chocolate spread, hot chocolate, tinned macaroni cheese, tinned custard and tinned fruit. Also needed is anti-bac surface spray, bleach and nappies (size 5-8). *JPB*

TRINITY NEWS

Royal British Legion: there is a box of poppies and a collection tin in the Welcome Area should you wish to contribute.

The **Annual Church Meeting** will take place after Service on **Sunday 22 November**. Papers will be available soon

The children's boxes will be collected on ***16th of November*** if anyone has any last minute boxes. Thank you for all who have contributed and helped *Lindsay*

Ethical Consumer Magazine: The Nov/Dec issue is now available to read/borrow/return in the church foyer. This issue covers ethical clothing brands; fast fashion and trainers

Lost property: we have a few kitchen items - serving spoons etc left behind after the Black History Month supper; plus a purple/blue coat, a green coat and a grey cardigan (from earlier) – all left in the Conduit Centre. If you think anything might be yours do pop in and take a look as they will otherwise be donated to charity.

COP 31

COP 31 is the current global summit where the 198 member countries that signed the 1992 United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change meet to review progress and negotiate climate action. It runs from 9-20 November 2026 in Antalya, Turkey. St Mungo's Church, Balerno and Livingston, have been offering prayer resources for COP since 2022. Read their short starting-points for prayer and reflection at https://ecocongregationscotland.org/cop31-anatalya-100-words-today

ALL SAINTS NEWS

Monday9 November, The Tubb House Group will meet at 36 The Warren at 7.30p.m. We will discuss Part 4 of the study of Philippians

Wednesday 11 November Just Women: 7.30pm Perry Room. Andrew Walker, Chair ***Radley Community Shop*** will tell us about the history and how the shop works now. All women welcome, do come and join us.

All Saints Prayer group will be meeting on Friday November 13th at 10am in the Perry Room. All are welcome.

Rev John Anderson came home from hospital on Monday; he and Mary were delighted to receive last Sunday's flowers from All Saints and send thanks from both of them.

Derek Kay: After a long period in hospital this summer, Derek has decided to move into Nursing Care at The Beaumont Care Community on Boars Hill. He seems to be settling in well and joins several other All Saints members in residence there. *Diane Livesley*

Coffee Rota: I will be compiling the 2027 Coffee Rota in the next week or so. It would be great if we could have a few more 'regulars' to join the rota as we have, sadly, lost some faithful volunteers during this year. Please can you contact me after the service or by phone on 07798877882 as soon as possible if you feel you can join us. *Many thanks, Diane Livesley*

Date for your Diary: Saturday 5th December at 2pm will be the initial **Dementia Friendly Service held at All Saints** as part of the Growth Plan agreed at the AGM. Please come yourselves and support this initiative for our community. There are flyers detailing information about this new venture so if you know of anyone who may like to attend with their carer please do give one to them - collect from Sue, Susan or Richard Matthews or take them from the bookstand in the foyer. Many thanks.

Do you cook for one and eat alone? Having this experience myself I would like to offer anyone in a similar position a 'one pot' meal on **30th November** at 6pm. Depending on numbers it maybe a bring your own tray! Please let me know if you would like to join me. 📞 07801 015498

Home Alone on Christmas Day? If so, would you like to come to my home for a Traditional Day? Tel: 07709955189 / rgstanbury@aol.com *Rosemary*
Rosemary writes - The last Future Pillars **fundraising dining experience** for this year is at 6.30pm on **Friday, 27th November**. (NB - change of date.) Feasting - the Rajasthani Way - mild, medium or hot. Please book by 07709955189 or rgstanbury@aol.com. I look forward to another happy evening.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Saturday 7 November ADMS Concert, 7.30-9.30pm at St Helen's. Come and join the Abingdon & District Musical Society as they celebrate their 80th Anniversary! Eighty years of bringing together singers and musicians is quite a milestone. The programme includes Borodin's Polovtsian Dances, Franck's Symphony in D minor, Shostakovich's Festive Overture and, bringing orchestra and choir together, Elgar's The Music Makers, with Joanna Harries as mezzo-soprano soloist. Tickets are available at http://www.wegottickets.com/adms or on the door.

Sunday 8 November, Abbey Chamber Concert @ St Nicolas. 3pm. Mozart and Thuille – Quintets for piano and winds. See https://abbeychamberconcerts.org/event/mozart-and-thuille-quintets-for-piano-and-winds/

Tuesday 10 November: Roshni Mooneeram in conversation with Rev. Bruce Thompson. Wallingford Methodist Church, 12 noon. See p6

Saturday 14 November, St Michael's Christmas Fair, 10.00 am - 2.00 pm. There will be an exciting range of craft and gift stalls plus a raffle with generous prizes and fun activities for children. Proceeds to church funds and Sobell House.

Quiet Garden Day, Saturday 28th November 2026 10am - 4pm at Aston Tirrold Centre for Reflection**,** Spring Lane, Aston Tirrold, OX11 9EJ. Sue Sheppy will lead on the theme *Great Expectations*. Refreshments are provided, but please bring a packed lunch. A donation of £10 would be welcome. To attend it would be helpful to email: atquietgardendays@gmail.com in advance. All are welcome.

Sunday 29 November, The Abingdon Bridge annual Christmas Carol Concert A tender shoot. An informal Christmas concert for all ages in support of the Abingdon Bridge. Hear and sing beautiful music and then join us for refreshments. St Michaels Church, 2 pm. Tickets £10 (£2.50 under 16s) from: https://www.ticketsource.com/the-abingdon-bridge

Advance Notice: All Saints is hosting a morning and an afternoon **'Moving Music Concert'** on Tuesday 1 December. All welcome but particularly those living with dementia along with their family, friends and carers. See page 8 with details of how to book in advance.

ECO TIP for NOVEMBER

Everlasting chemicals (PFAs) in your home. This week the government announced a year long large scale (20,000 people) health study into the concentration of everlasting chemicals in people in the UK. When the results are in we will still not know how PFAs damage our health – though there are some disturbing studies in animals showing changes in the reproductive system, immune system and links to certain cancers – but we will know how much they have accumulated in people in the UK since the 1950s. In the meantime it is best to avoid PFAs when you can by:

- replacing nonstick cookware with stainless steel, cast iron, glass, or ceramic;
- avoid heating food in grease-resistant packaging or plastic

- choosing waterproof outdoor clothing and shoes without stain-repellent finishes – buy PFAs free waterproof sprays for waterproofing
- Looking out for PFAs in cosmetics (e.g. hair conditioner, foundation cream, sunscreen etc.) and household cleaning products and buying alternatives
- filter tap water using a filter system that will remove PFAs
- if you have a pet use a flea treatment which is PFAs free

Useful websites:
https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/cwly4ejrr72mo
https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/pfas-general-information/per-and-polyfluoroalkyl-substances-pfas-general-information
https://chemtrust.org/pfas/
https://www.theguardian.com/lifeandstyle/article/2024/may/25/can-i-eradicate-toxic-forever-chemicals-from-my-home
https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/ce8z8pv1e0ko
https://www.dwi.gov.uk/pfas-and-forever-chemicals/

https://news.cancerresearchuk.org/2023/12/11/pfas-and-cancer-what-do-we-know-about-forever-chemicals/

A Prayer for Remembrance Sunday:

The following prayer has been offered by the Chaplain General for use across the Methodist Church as we mark Remembrance Sunday. In this his final year as Chaplain General before returning to regional Methodist ministry, he invites churches and communities to hold together gratitude, lament and hope as we remember those who have served, those who continue to bear the cost of conflict, and all who long for peace.

> God of peace and justice, on this Remembrance Sunday we come before you in gratitude, sorrow and hope.
> We remember all who have given their lives in the service of others; those who returned bearing wounds seen and unseen; and all whose lives are still marked by conflict, loss and grief. May our remembering deepen our compassion, renew our commitment to peace, and strengthen our care for all who serve and all who suffer.
> Guide your Church to be a people of reconciliation: honest about the cost of war, faithful in prayer, generous in service, and steadfast in seeking the way of Christ's peace.
> Warm our hearts with your love and help us to do all the good we can in the cause of justice and peace. Comfort the bereaved, uphold the weary, and lead all nations from darkness into light. In the name of Jesus Christ, our hope and our peace.
> Amen.

The Revd Canon Michael Parker KHC,
Chaplain General to His Majesty's Land Forces.

TUESDAY 10 NOVEMBER

12 NOON - 1.00PM



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11:30am - 12:30pm
entry and refreshments:
From 11:00am-11:30am

2:00pm - 3:00pm
entry and refreshments:
From 1:30pm -2:00pm

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All Saints Church, Appleford Drive, Abingdon, OX14 2AQ (entrance and car park on Dorchester Crescent)

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