



St NICOLAS' CHURCH
ABINGDON-ON-THAMES

Sunday 21 January 2018

Epiphany 3

*A warm welcome to all who join us to worship God
in the love and peace of his Holy Spirit*

8 am Holy Communion

The Revd Canon Keith Ward

11:15 am Third Sunday Service

The Revd Dr Jane Baun

Christ in you: the hope of glory

- Hymn** 89 O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness
- Collect** Almighty God, whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving presence: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.
- Hymn** 90 Songs of thankfulness and praise (v 1, 2 & 5)
- Reading** **Colossians 1: 24-29**
- Hymn** 341 At Cana's wedding long ago
- Reading** **John 2: 1-11**
- Hymn** 476 In a world where people walk in darkness

Please join us for refreshments after the Service

*No collection will be taken at this Service, but a plate for your
donation is available at the back of the Church*

Thank you

pews for £1,800. This means we will only have a shortfall of just under £3,000, which we can cover by using some of our reserves. However, if anyone would like to sponsor a chair, or part of one, the chairs with arms cost £252 and those without cost £214; donations of other amounts would also be welcome as they would mean that we can save our reserves to put toward two other projects which we hope to complete this year: improvements to the toilet block and a new heating system for the church.

We hope to have the new chairs in place by Easter. *Julia Bishop.*

Desiring Life Winter/Spring 2018: *God Soaked Life – Discovering a Kingdom Spirituality by Chris Webb.* Tuesdays starting 23 January, in the Parish Centre Lounge from 2.30pm. Further information from Susan Scott - 01235 522960. susan.scott21@btinternet.com

Faith Forum: The Reformation: Exploring Past & Present. First Sunday of each month (see programme schedule) in the Parish Centre Hall. Breakfast bar from 9am; programme begins at 9.15am and lasts for a half an hour, including opportunity for Q & A.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

This afternoon: CiA United Service, 3 pm @ St Helen's Church.

The Beatitudes: A Short Course - Saturday mornings 27 January, 10, 24 February & 10 March, St Michael's church room 11am to ca 12:30pm. Speakers John Barton, Emma Percy, Paul Sheppy and Phillip Tovey. Each session ends with a short form of Midday Prayer.

Saturday 27 January Vespers by Candlelight - On Holocaust Memorial Day: 7:30pm, St Michael's. Tickets £10, from The Bookstore Abingdon, www.abingdonpassionplay.org.uk or on the door.

Tuesday 30 January, Silent Reflections, at St. Michael and All Angels from 7.30 - 9.00pm. Enjoy prayerful activities in the quiet of the sanctuary with the option of coming together to share your journey at the end of the session. Open to anyone who wants to 'come and see'.

Wednesday 31 January Abingdon Passion Play EGM: 7:30pm at Peachcroft Christian Centre. The committee are keen to involve as much of the community as we can with the next production in 2019 and so will be providing updates on what we are working on including all the forthcoming events. Please do come and join us.

Thursday 1 February Moving into Stillness: circle dancing to Taizé music with silent interludes at St Michael and All Angels from 9.45 – 10.45 am, before the

regular circle dancing session. Elizabeth Mitchell will be the teacher. No prior experience/partner needed. Contact Sue Sheppy (susan.sheppy@btinternet.com) for more details, or just come and see.

Friday 2 February, an evening with Brendan Cox; 7 for 7:30pm Fitzharrys School. Brendan, the co-founder of More in Common, will be in conversation with Mark Thornton and signing copies of his book - ***More in Common***. See poster at back of church. Tickets from:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/in-conversationan-evening-with-brendan-cox-tickets-41138386020>

Sunday February 4, Faith Forum: Celebrating the Reformation, but which one? The Revd Dr Charles Miller

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

- The Unity of the Church - in this town, in this country and throughout the world;
- those engaged in interfaith dialogue;
- the many visitors to St Nicolas and all who support the ministry of teaching, healing and welcome in this place;
- those who are suffering and in particular need;
- our Church family, especially those unable to be with us today.

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