



*St* NICOLAS' CHURCH  
ABINGDON-ON-THAMES

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**Sunday 10 June 2018**  
**St Barnabas**

**11:15am Holy Communion**  
**Revd Paul Smith**

- Hymn** 133 Great God your love has called us here
- Collect** Bountiful God, giver of all gifts, who poured your Spirit upon your servant Barnabas and gave him grace to encourage others: help us, by his example, to be generous in our judgements and unselfish in our service; 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.
- 1<sup>st</sup> Reading** **Job 29: 11-16**
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading** **Acts 11: 19-end**
- Gradual** 222 Let saints on earth in concert sing
- Gospel** **John 15: 12 - 17.**
- Hymn** 309 Let all mortal flesh keep silence
- Hymn** 323 Strengthen for service Lord
- Hymn** 622 Will you come and follow me

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

## NEXT WEEK at St Nicolas

**Sunday 17 May** 8:00 am *At St Helen's this month*  
11:15 am Third Sunday Service (see below)

### & IN THE PARISH

Mon - Fri	StH	9:10 am	Morning Prayer – The Lady Chapel
Mon - Fri	StH	5:10 pm	Evening Prayer – The Lady Chapel
Tues	StM	7:30 pm	Said Mass
Wed	StH	10:30 am	Holy Communion – South Aisle
Thurs	StM	11:00 am	Circle Dancing
		12:30 pm	Said Mass followed by lunch
Sun 17th	StH	8:00 am	Holy Communion
		10:30 am	Sung Eucharist
		5:50 pm	Choral Evensong
	StM	9:30 am	Sung Mass

## CHURCH NEWS

**NEXT SUNDAY:** weather permitting, our Third Sunday Service will be outdoors - and followed by our annual BBQ - by kind invitation of Emma & Andrew Coker. To help with catering you are asked to sign the sheet at the back of church to indicate if you are coming, and if you can help by offering a lift or making a pudding. For more details contact Andrew, and please let us know if you would like a lift so as to be able to join us. All welcome.

If wet we will revert to the Church, and make every effort to let everyone know.

**GOODBYE & THANK YOU:** as many of you know, Jane Baun has decided not to renew her role as Associate Priest in the Parish, but to focus on her teaching ministry at Ripon College, Cuddesdon, and her research and writing interests. There will be a number of opportunities to say Goodbye (God be with You) in the Parish, but it seems fitting that Jane's last service with us at St Nic's will be our Third Sunday Service in June - a Service in which Jane has played such a part over the years. We thank her warmly for her ministry among us and ask for God's blessing on her future plans. If you would like to contribute towards a gift for her please speak to Andrew Birks or one of the Wardens. *Thank you*

**COACH TRIP TO GUILDFORD:** £25pp Thursday 26th July (note change of date). Leaving Abingdon at 10am, morning free in Guildford before meeting up again to view Guildford Cathedral in the afternoon. We should return to Abingdon by 4.45pm. A sign-up sheet is on the notice board at the back of

church, and participants are asked to pay the cost of the coach £25.00pp in advance. Contact Susan Scott 01235 522960. Susan.scott21@btinternet.com.

**PIANIST OR KEYBOARD PLAYER:** The Parish is starting a monthly service at the Assisted Living Centre in Audlett Drive at 10.30 on the last Monday of each month. If you could play a piano or keyboard to accompany 3 traditional hymns at the service, on a regular or occasional basis, please contact Mary Williamson mary878williamson@btinternet.com (07495 291930 or 01235 538862). First service will be on Monday 25th June.

Introduction to **SPIRITUAL DIRECTION TRAINING COURSE:** The next ecumenical training course run by the Spiritual Direction Network for Berks, Bucks and Oxon begins in September 2018 and finishes in June 2019. The aim of the course is to increase the skill and confidence of those who find they are already being turned to by others for help on their spiritual journey. For further information, go to [www.soulfriend.org.uk](http://www.soulfriend.org.uk) or email Sue Sheppy, who is one of the course tutors, at [susan.sheppy@btinternet.com](mailto:susan.sheppy@btinternet.com).

**CHANGES TO THE DOOR:** following the June edition of *the Door* (available from the back of Church) there will be a brief pause in production. The next edition will be the September issue and the break in schedule is there to give time to think about a new quarterly publication, launching towards the end of this year. For more information: email [communications@oxford.anglican.org](mailto:communications@oxford.anglican.org)

**ALEXA open the Church of England** Has anyone used the new Alexa Church of England app <https://www.churchofengland.org/alexa?> It provides answers to questions, you can hear prayers for various occasions and lots of information about the Church of England. If you've tried it and would be prepared to write about your experience please contact the office or one of The Window editorial group members

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Don't forget the **Friday sales** - 11am-1pm.

**Summer in the Parish:** pick up the programme of summer events from the back of church, and get to know some of our fellow Parishioners.

**Thursday 14 June 7pm:** Annual General Meeting of The Abingdon Bridge. Radley Church Hall, OX14 3QF.

**Saturday 16 June 12 noon: Duck Race** in aid of The Abingdon Passion Play. Sponsor a duck for £2. See poster at back of church or contact Eluned.

**Saturday 16 June 7 pm, St Michael's:** Concert by Wantage Academy Brass raising funds for The Abingdon Bridge and TARIRO – Hope for Youth in Zimbabwe. Guest appearance by Our Lady's Abingdon School Band. Tickets: £7 (adults); £6 (concessions); 16 and under free from Mostly Books in Stert Street or on the door.

**Sunday 24 June 2018, 12 – 3 pm The Great Get Together** at St Ethelwold's House. A joint endeavour between Host Abingdon, MoreinCommon, Abingdon Peace Group, Host UK, St Ethelwold's and the Archway Foundation, which works with people in Abingdon to relieve some of the distress caused by loneliness. An opportunity to enjoy a bring-and-share lunch and some world music and to meet people who are committed to making our town a welcoming place of cultural and religious diversity, and acceptance, for people from all over the world. For more info, or if you can volunteer to be a helper on the day, please contact Sue on [essentiallysue@hotmail.com](mailto:essentiallysue@hotmail.com).

## FOR YOUR PRAYERS

- The work of the PCC following the Away Day yesterday, and for future plans and endeavours;
- The many visitors to St Nicolas and all who support the ministry of teaching, healing and welcome in this place;
- Justin our Archbishop, Steven and Colin our Bishops, Charles, Paul and all who serve in this Parish;
- Those who are suffering and in particular need;
- Our Church family, especially those unable to be with us today;

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