



St NICOLAS' CHURCH
ABINGDON-ON-THAMES

Sunday 7 October 2018
Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

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

11:15 am Matins

The Revd Canon Professor Keith Ward

Hymn 166 Crown him with many crowns

Venite

Psalm 8

1st Reading

Te Deum

2nd Reading

Benedictus

Collect O God, forasmuch as without thee we are not able to please thee; mercifully grant, that thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever

Hymn 535 O God in heaven

Hymn 211 We love the place, O God

Hymn 362 Tell out my soul

No collection will be taken at this Service, but a plate for your donation is available at the back of the Church - Thank you
There is also a plate for donations in support of
World Homelessness Week

NEXT WEEK at St Nicolas

Sunday 14 Oct *8:00 am at St Helen's this month*

11:15 am Holy Communion

The Revd Paul Smith/Mrs Beryl Clements

& 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 14 StH 8:00 am Holy Communion (1622)

9:15 am Morning Praise

10:30 am Sung Eucharist

5:30 pm Taize

StM 9:30 am Sung Mass

WORLD HOMELESSNESS WEEK

October 7 – 14 is World Homelessness Week: With the increasing problems of homelessness and rough sleeping it is important for us to help raise some funds during world homeless week. There is a myriad of charities helping the homeless including Shelter, Emmaus, St Mungo's and Church Homeless Trust but I felt that this year we should support two local charities – Homeless Oxfordshire and Oxford Winter Night Shelter (OWNS).

Homeless Oxfordshire have a 56 bed hostel (O'Hanlon House) in Oxford and 144 beds across the local community in 24 properties including the Vineyard in Abingdon. They also support the work of the Luther Street Medical Centre for the homeless in Oxford. OWNS is a collaboration between a number of churches in central Oxford who provide shelter for rough sleepers from 1st January to 31st March. From winter 2019 they plan to accommodate up to 20 men and women in different locations in central Oxford. The guests are provided with a warm welcome, hot drinks and a snack on arrival, a warm bed, and breakfast the following morning.

Further information on the charities can be gained from their websites <https://homelessoxfordshire.uk/> and <http://www.ownsoxford.org.uk/>

We welcome donations to these charities on 7th and 14th October.

Jenny Smith

THANK YOU

For your generosity at last week's Harvest Festival. The collection for Christian Aid raised over £75, and Jan was able to take a number of bags of groceries to the Abingdon Foodbank.

To everyone who helped at the book sale and also thanks to those who contributed books and or cake. The final total of receipts was over £270, which was excellent. *Julia Bishop.*

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Don't Forget the Friday Sales in St Nicolas': A great opportunity to buy locally grown / baked produce and crafts and meet friends. Every Friday 11am - 1pm.

This afternoon: 3pm St Nicolas' Church Abbey Chamber Concert, Boldwoodmusic.com play English folk music from 17th and 18th centuries Becky Price piano accordion Helen O'Hara violin Daniel Wolverson violin, viola Kate Moran violin, viola Free tea and coffee and an opportunity to talk to the musicians, after each concert. Tickets £10 (£9 concessions – OAP/students), accompanied children free.

This evening: 8pm: Annual Michaelmas Fair Service on the Carousal in the Market Place. All are welcome to attend.

Reminder: the Market Place, High Street and Ock Street will be blocked Sunday – Tuesday

Sunday 14 October, 3pm: Concert in St Nicolas' Church, - Laurens Price-Nowak ('Cello) and Nic Temple (Piano) play Brahms & Shostakovich. Tickets £5

Sunday 28 October "In Search of the Real Jesus" - screening of Robert Powell's archaeological travels to Israel to examine the Bible's archaeological roots and sites (following the 1977 TV series "Jesus of Nazareth"). All Saints Church, Sutton Courtenay, 5.00pm - drink/nibbles are included for a contribution of £7.50 (towards church funds).

The **CiA Annual Bereavement Service** will be taking place on Sunday 18 November, 3 pm, at St Edmund's Church.

The October edition of **The Window** is now available in hardcopy at the back of the Church, or on the download section of the website

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

- The homeless, all living in substandard accommodation, and all those working to help them;
- Those rough-sleeping in our own town;
- The work of the Street Pastors;
- Refugees and travellers in search of a home;
- The people of Sulawesi, Indonesia and all affected by natural disaster;
- The many visitors to St Nicolas and all who support the ministry of teaching and welcome in this place;
- Justin our Archbishop, Steven, Colin & Henry our Bishops, Charles, Paul, Mary and all who serve in this Parish;
- Our Church family, especially those unable to be with us today;
- Those who are suffering and in particular need.

Heavenly Father,

We pray for homeless people everywhere. Please watch over them, protect them in their need and give wisdom to all those who care for them.

Thank you for your blessings to us, especially those of a home, family and friends. We know that you care for each and every one of us and you know our every need. Please show us the way to reflect your love to those who lack the blessings of home and family. In Jesus' name, Amen

I was a stranger and you invited me in...Lord...when did we see you a stranger and invite you in?...whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me. Matthew 25: 35-40

Church Housing Trust

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