



St **NICOLAS' CHURCH**
ABINGDON-ON-THAMES

Sunday 27 January 2019
Fourth Sunday of Epiphany

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

8:00 am Holy Communion
The Revd David Bevington

11:15 am Holy Communion
The Revd Paul Smith

Hymn	435 Glorious things of thee are spoken (tune 2, omit v3)
Collect	God our creator, who in the beginning commanded the light to shine out of darkness: we pray that the light of the glorious gospel of Christ may dispel the darkness of ignorance and unbelief, shine into the hearts of all your people, and reveal the knowledge of your glory in the face of 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
1st Reading	Nehemiah 8: 1 - 3,5 - 6,8 - 10
2nd Reading	1 Corinthians 12: 12 - 31a
Gradual	2 Christ whose glory fills the skies
Gospel	Luke 4: 14 - 21
Hymn	606 Thy hand, O God, has guided
Hymn	591 The kingdom of God is justice and joy
Hymn	534 O for a thousand tongues to sing (tune CP 424)

NEXT WEEK at St Nicolas

Monday 28 3:00 pm Communion by Extension
Old Station House

Sunday 3 8:00 am at St Helen's this month
11:15 am Mattins The Revd Professor Keith Ward

& 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 3	StH	8:00 am	Holy Communion (1662)
		10:30 am	Sung Eucharist Welcome
		5:30 pm	Vespers
	StM	9:30 am	Family Mass

NEWS

Thank you: to all who helped with the midday Services during the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. It was good to be able to welcome friends from other churches, and to share worship and fellowship with them.

Preparation for the New Church Electoral Roll 2019: The Electoral Roll is the basic list of all those entitled to vote in elections within the Church of England. Those entitled to have their names on this roll have to be 16 years of age or over, be baptized and must reside in the relevant parish or be regular worshippers in the church whose roll they wish to join. Every six years, a new roll has to be prepared at which point all existing members have to re-apply for membership or else their names will not be included on the new Roll. This ensures that the Roll is kept current and up to date. Preparation for a new Roll will be taking place during February and March this year.

All those on the current roll, and all regular congregation members at St Nicolas' will receive an invitation to re-register, and a registration form, in the next couple of weeks. So keep a look out! *Eluned*

Oberammergau 2020. The Parish is organizing a pilgrimage-holiday to Austria & Oberammergau 15 -22 July 2020. Anyone interested in joining the group travelling from Abingdon for this unique, once-in-a-decade experience should contact the Parish Office, tel:01235 520144, email: administrator@sthelens-abingdon.org.uk. Friends and members of neighbouring congregations and parishes are welcome to join the group to a maximum of 45 participants. Please collect an information sheet and a brochure for more details.

CiA Lent Lectures 2019: Will Donaldson will be doing a series of talks on the beatitudes and countercultural lifestyle, from his book 'Living differently to make a difference' in Trinity Church, on five Mondays in Lent beginning 25 February. More details later, but save the dates.

Abingdon Passion Play. Calling all singers! The Abingdon Passion Play Choir needs you. *Taster session Sunday 10 February*, Peachcroft Christian Centre, 3:00-5:00pm. Rehearsals PCC Sundays 10/3, 17/3 & 24/3; Dress rehearsal Sunday 31 March. Performance Saturday 6 April.

Church Twinning: Between 10 and 18 Christians from our twin towns of Sint Niklaas in Belgium and Argentan in Normandy are coming to watch the Abingdon Passion Play on Saturday 6th April. We are looking for hosts for these friendly people from Thursday 4th to Monday 8th April. The weekend programme of events includes a Barn Dance on Friday evening and a Cheese and Drinks Tasting on Saturday evening, for which tickets will be available. If you are interested in hosting or attending one of the events please contact Hildegard Hyde (07557371015; hnagelhyde@gmail.com) or Eileen Bontempelli from Christchurch, who coordinates the visit (Ab 526331 or epkbontempelli@gmail.com).

PATHWAYS Copies of the new diocesan magazine are now available at the back of church and online (with extended content) from <https://www.oxford.anglican.org/pathways>

DIARY DATES

This afternoon, CiA United Service, Christ Church, 3 pm

Tuesday 29 January, Silent Reflections at St. Michael and All Angels from 7.30 - 9.00pm. Material will be available to support your prayer in the quiet of the sanctuary. Theme: Pathways to God.

Sunday 3 February 3pm, Abbey Chamber Concert - Celebrating Clara Schumann - violin, cello and piano. Clara Schumann Piano Trio in G minor,

Cecilia McDowall Cavatina at Midnight, Fanny Mendelssohn Fantasia, Ethel Smyth Piano Suite in E major. Scordatura Women's Music Collective Claudia Fuller Violin, Rachel Watson Cello, Thomas Ang Piano
Tickets £10 (£9) available online, on the door and from players.

Thursday 7 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.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

- The Church in Abingdon, its leaders, projects and members;
- Those suffering from sickness of mind, body or spirit and those working to heal, support and comfort them;
- The homeless, especially those in our town and parish;
- The refugee, the lonely, the alienated and the afraid;
- Justin our Archbishop, Steven, Colin and Henry our Bishops, Charles, Paul, Mary, and all who assist in liturgical and preaching ministry in this Parish;
- All who support the ministry of hospitality and welcome in this place;
- Our troubled and divided world.

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

Please send information for next week's pew slip to Eluned Hallas, eluned@hallas.org.uk / 01235 529462, by Wednesday