



St NICOLAS' CHURCH
ABINGDON-ON-THAMES

Sunday 28 July 2019

Sixth Sunday after Trinity

*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 Mary Williamson

11:15 am Holy Communion

The Revd Professor John Barton

Hymn	357 Lord of Lords
Collect	Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; 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.
1st Reading	Genesis 18: 20 - 32
2nd Reading	Colossians 2: 6 – 15 [16 - 19]
Gradual	416 Father hear the prayer we offer
Gospel	Luke 11: 1 - 13
Hymn	607 Thy kingdom come O God
Hymn	Abba Father let me be (see over)
Hymn	496 Lead us heavenly father lead us

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

Abba, Father, let me be

Abba Father, let me be,
Yours and yours alone
May my will forever be,
Evermore your own.
Never let my heart grow cold,
Never let me go.
Abba Father let me be,
Yours and yours alone

Dave Bilbrough CCL 57519

CHURCH NEWS

BARBARA RANGLES RIP

Barbara's funeral will be in St Nicolas' on
Tuesday 30 July at 12noon.

The family have requested that the congregation wear colour for this celebration of Barbara's life.

Thanks: our grateful thanks to Andrew & Emma for their hospitality at last week's BBQ; and to all the furniture shifters, musicians, caterers, cooks and other helpers who contributed (along with the weather) to such a splendid day.

All members of the 8am Congregation are warmly invited to Tea at the Vicarage, Faringdon Road, on **Sunday 18 August** between 3-4:30pm. Please let me know, by 12 August, if you plan to come to help with catering.

Fr Paul

Sunday 1 September will be **Mary Williamson's** last day in the Parish. To mark this, and say goodbye (God be with you) there will be a Parish Lunch in St Helen's Church after the morning services. If you are able to join us please sign the sheet at the back of church to help with catering. If you would like to contribute to a Parish gift for Mary in thanks for all she has contributed in her three years with us, please speak to one of the Wardens.

Thinking ahead: Saturday 14 September is the annual OHCT Ride & Stride. Can you help? Either as a welcomer in St Nic's or by riding / striding / hopping around churches to raise money for both OHCT and St Nic's. Note the date, and start planning a route. Plenty of on-line resources. See Eluned for more details.

DIARY DATES

Fridays 11am – 1pm: local produce sale in the church garden; cards and crafts in church.

Tuesday 30 July Silent Reflections @ St Michael's; 7.30 - 9.00 pm. Theme: The Road Home: The Return of the Prodigal Son. Please enter by the church room door.

Thursday 1 August Moving into Stillness: Circle dancing to Taizé music with silent interludes at St Michael's from 9.45 – 10.45 am, before the regular circle dancing session.

Saturday 3 August, St Michael's Church open 2pm - 4pm for stillness and prayer. *'You will seek Me and find Me when you seek Me with all your heart.'* Jeremiah 29 vs 13

Sunday 4 August, Christian Aid open garden tea party Everyone is invited to a tea party in the beautiful garden of St Ethelwold's House, 30 East St Helen Street. Please come along between 2.30 and 4.00 pm to help the Christian Aid task group of the Church in Abingdon mark the end of its fundraising year in a relaxing way. For more information, contact Cliff Marshall on 01235 530480.

Thursday 15 August - The Blessed Virgin Mary; Sung Mass at St Michael's at 7.30 pm. Followed by seasonal refreshments.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

- The appointment of a new House for Duty priest in our parish;
- Our DCC Meeting this week;
- All those for whom the school holidays are a time of stress and worry rather than relaxation;
- Our Parish, and all who work, live and worship in it;
- 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;
- Justin our Archbishop, Steven, Colin and Henry our Bishops, Charles, Paul, Mary, Jen and all who assist in the liturgical and preaching ministry in this Parish.

35 Ock Street closes for the summer on Saturday 27 July, and will open again at 10:30am on Monday 2 September.

Evening Service at St Helen's today:

5:30 pm Healing & Wholeness

NEXT WEEK AT ST NICOLAS

Monday 29 3pm Communion by Extension
Old Station House

Sunday 4 Aug 8:00 am Holy Communion @ St Helen's this month
11:15 am Mattins The Revd Paul Smith

& IN THE PARISH

Wed StH 10:30 am Holy Communion – The South Aisle
Thurs StM 11:00 am Circle Dancing
12:30 pm Said Mass followed by lunch
Sun 4 StH 8:00 am Holy Communion
10:30 am Sung Eucharist
5:30 pm *No Evening Service this week*
StM 9:30 am Family Mass

There will be **no Weekday Morning & Evening Prayer** during August.

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