



TRINITY NOTICES

Sunday 22 October 2017



Trinity News

Christmas Shoeboxes: The last date for bringing these to Trinity is 19th November so there is still time if you would like to fill one. A great total of 42 have already been completed in a joint session of the Friendship and Thursday groups! Thank you very much. *Eve*

Looking ahead: We are hoping to have a display of decorated Christmas trees in the Church during December and the various groups in the Church fellowship have been approached and asked to participate in this venture. You will hear more about this in the coming weeks! *Flower Group*

***Toilet Twinning:* Good News:** Our giving at the service on the 8th October raised enough money, (with Gift Aid), to build two loos. Now for the other 12, (or is it 13!) There will be envelopes in the Welcome Area today if you wish to give, with Gift Aid, or without. Please look on the Stewards' table. *Malcolm Newton*

Can you help?

On the morning of **Friday 3rd November**, a group of Christians from our twin town Argentan in Normandy will be visiting Trinity to hear about TrinityLearning's work in schools. Rosemary would welcome 1-2 volunteers to organise refreshments for them at around 11:00am. Please e-mail Rosemary, or drop into the office on Monday.

Wantage Church are having an away day on **Saturday 20th January 2018** to look at their growth plan. Churches in the circuit are asked if they can provide several people to work with their children and young people which will feed into the church discussion on growth. I have volunteered to put together a programme for the day but will be away that week. If you feel you could help out please let me know. All resources will be supplied, the programme will be worked out and full briefing will be given. Thank you. *Deacon Selina Nisbett*

St Nicolas CE Primary School Foundation Governor: St Nicolas is looking for a new Foundation Governor who is a committed Christian to join the governing body. Foundation Governors have a special responsibility for Collective Worship and Religious Education and work with the school and governing body to uphold and promote the school's distinctive Christian foundation and ethos. For more information, please contact the Chair of Governors, Katrina Hancock, for an informal discussion (cgov3247@st-nicolas.oxon.sch.uk).

Abingdon Church Twinning Group: On 2-6 November, Christians from Argentan in Normandy, France, which is twinned with Abingdon, will be visiting Abingdon. Offers for hosting or meals, or to meet the people, are welcomed. For more info, contact Eileen Bontempelli on epkbontempelli@gmail.com.

Dates for the Diary

Friday 27 October Fourth Fridays at Cumnor URC, Cumnor OX2 9QF. Speaker: ***Stephen Dawson: "Oxford Preservation Trust – Opening Doors all year round"*** Supper at 7.15 pm, followed by talk 8.00 – 9.00pm Free to attend, though donations welcomed For catering reservations please contact Briony Newport Tel: 01865 246497 email: secretary@cumnorurc.org.uk

Tuesday 31 October Silent reflections: St Michael's, 7.30 - 9.00 pm. 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.

All welcome. More information: Sue Sheppy
susan.sheppy@btinternet.com.

Friday 3 November, The Abingdon Bridge Big Band Concert 7.30 pm,
Amey Theatre in aid of The Abingdon Bridge. Tickets (£10) are
available from the Amey Theatre box office at:
<http://abingdonschool.savoyssystems.co.uk/AbingdonSchool.dll/>

Saturdays 4 & 11 November: JESUS and the JEWISH ROOTS of the EUCHARIST Unlocking the secrets of the Last Supper. St Edmund's Parish Centre 2 – 3.45 pm Two videos by Catholic Bible scholar Brant Pitre examining the Eucharist from a Jewish perspective and shedding new light on the Last Supper

Sat 4 Nov: The Manna, The Passover & the Bread of the Presence

Sat 11 Nov: When did Jesus drink the 4th cup of the Passover?

Free study guides. All welcome! Refreshments provided. For more details, please contact 01235 528528.

Saturday 18 November From Shadow, LIGHT: St Helen's Church, 7pm Choral concert exploring mental illness and the effect on composers and writers who suffered from such issues - including music by Bruckner, Rachmaninov, Gesualdo, Lassus, Holst, Elgar & Tchaikovsky. In aid of the Abingdon Bridge. Tickets are £10 and available from Mostly Books in Abingdon or www.voxcoelestis.co.uk

URC News

Could you write a prayer?: Submissions for the 2019 URC Prayer Handbook are being sought. There is a general theme – of Seasons of the Spirit – to inspire you – and writers are also particularly encouraged to reflect on the dynamics of praise and lament in the Psalms that feature in the 2019 lectionary readings. We hope prayers will come in from all corners of the United Reformed Church and from prayer writers of all ages, all traditions and all nationalities. Deadline for submissions: 4 December 2017.

If you are interested please read the full guidelines <http://www.urc.org.uk/could-you-write-for-the-prayer-handbook.html> for further information.

The **2018 prayer handbook, On Eagles' Wings** is now available, for just £6.50

First Aid Training: Wessex Synod will be hosting a **First Aid** training course in partnership with the British Red Cross. This is a 2 day certificated course which will be held 20th and 27th January 2018, 9.30am – 5.30pm. Participants must attend both Saturdays to complete the course and obtain a certificate. Booking essential through Ruth Heine at the Synod Office. Tel: 023 8067 4513 email: bookings@wessex.org.uk

NEXT WEEK

Friday	27	10:00 am	Prayer Group in the Quiet Room
Sunday	29	10:30 am	Morning Worship Led by Valerie Grist
		6:30 pm	Evening Service at All Saints Communion led by Revd Alan Grist

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