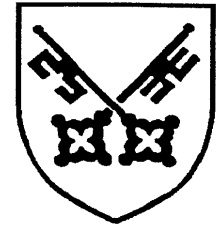


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It's hard to believe that June is already upon us, and we have a fabulous and busy month coming up at St Peter's!

The great Feast of **Pentecost** occurs on the **8th June** this year. This was the day that saw the birth of the Christian Church, when the disciples in the Upper Room received the gifts of the Holy Spirit and rushed out into the world to proclaim the Good News. In John's Gospel, the Holy Spirit is described as "the Comforter" but the word used literally means "one called alongside". The Holy Spirit is the one whom God calls alongside us to help us on our Christian journey. We will be having a special celebration of Pentecost for Northbourne School in St Peter's on the 9th June.

Our new Church Wardens (who are also our old Church Wardens) are sworn in at the **Episcopal Visitation** on the **16th June**. This will be the first time we do this in the presence of Bishop Colin, having recently moved into his area officially.

Corpus Christi this year falls on a day when we are not able to have a full celebration in the evening and so we are transferring the feast to the Sunday. **22nd June** will therefore see the Parish Mass end with Benediction. Corpus Christi is an important celebration (it even has University Colleges named after it) because the celebration of the

Last Supper on Maundy Thursday is overshadowed by the Cross of Good Friday. To mark just how special the Eucharist (or Mass or Holy Communion) is, the Church decided it needed a celebration of Jesus' gift of himself in the bread and the wine of the Eucharist.

Sunday 29th of June is our Patronal Festival – the Feast of St Peter and Paul. This year, there will be a BCP Holy Communion at 8am, as usual, but the Parish Mass will be at **11am** and followed by a bring and share lunch, so the whole church family at St Peter's can celebrate our Patron's feast day together. The day will finish with **Compline and Benediction at 6pm.**

June is also the month when we need to prepare for our **Church Fete**, which takes place on **July 5th**. To ensure this goes well, and helps us raise desperately needed funds for the Church, we need you all to help. We need people to come on the day – so tell and bring along your family, friends and neighbours! We have raffle tickets for you to sell – the top prize this year is the "Marylebone" Hamper (worth £200) from Fortnum and Mason's – the Queen's grocer! We need home-baked cakes and biscuits, jams and chutneys and other crafts. We need help on the day manning stalls. And, most of all, we need your prayers.

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Expectations of a local Christian volunteer in a Prayer Space



Volunteers act as 'guides' in the Prayer Space – there will be someone in charge each session, and guides will not be left on their own at any time, so no particular expertise is required! Volunteers need to be a friendly, welcoming presence and help the pupils to engage with the different activities.

Children will come into the space in groups of fifteen for about thirty to forty minutes. The main leader will introduce the session including an explanation of the zones and then send the children in groups of about four to each zone within the Prayer Space. Each zone needs its own volunteer. The children will spend no longer than five minutes in each area before being directed to move on by the session leader. The volunteer would need to recap the activity if children have forgotten and then let the children carry out the activity independently. The volunteer would interact as much or as little as they children need them too. Some children may just like to talk to the volunteer and this is totally fine. About five minutes before the end of the session the main leader will gather the whole group back together again before the children go back to their class.

Prayer Spaces at Willowcroft School

Willowcroft School has invited Prayer Spaces to run a prayer week from 2nd June to 6th June. We are looking for volunteers to guide the children through the prayer activities. The sessions will be led by a team leader.

There are spaces for volunteers on Tuesday 3rd June, afternoon, Wednesday 4th June all day, Thursday 5th June in the afternoon and Friday 7th June in the morning. The sessions run from 9.00AM to 11.45AM and from 1:15PM to 3.00PM.

If you are able bodied and able to help pack the equipment away on Friday afternoon,

that would be helpful.

For anyone who is interested in volunteering, there will be a morning of sharing stories, training, and looking forward on 28th June, at Didcot Baptist Church.

Please put this date in your diaries and we will send more details re timing later. For more details contact Vanessa Rye 01235 210189



Didcot & District University of the Third Age

DIDCOT & DISTRICT UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month.

The June meeting will be held on Tuesday 17 June on the topic of Old Didcot on Film with Eugene Coyle.

Didcot & District U3A is a democratic, self-funded and self-managed organisation which exists to provide educational and leisure activities at

minimal cost. It draws upon the knowledge, experience, skills and enthusiasms of its members to organise interest groups in accordance with the wishes of the membership.

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**ALL SAINTS' CHURCH
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Praying With the Labyrinth



**Monday, June 9th – Saturday,
June 14th**

**10 a.m. – 12 noon 1 – 3 p.m.
7 – 9 p.m.**

What is a labyrinth?

Labyrinths were a feature of many medieval cathedrals - one of the best remaining examples is found in Chartres Cathedral in northern France. Unlike a maze they have only one path - there are no dead ends. People walk the labyrinth slowly, as an aid to contemplative prayer and reflection, as a spiritual exercise, or as a form of pilgrimage.

The labyrinth at All Saints'

During the second week of June we are putting the mobile labyrinth from Oxford Diocese in the centre of the church and offering everyone the opportunity to come along and explore the experience of walking the labyrinth.

The path has three stages - the 'inward' journey, the centre and the 'outward' journey. The theme of the 'inward' journey is letting go of things which hinder our wholeness and inner approach to God. The centre of the Labyrinth is a space of meditative prayer and peace. The theme of the 'outward' journey is relationship -

with ourselves, with others and with the planet - seen in the light of our relationship with God.

Some guidance will be given and material provided will enable the walk that you make

There is no need to pre-book. Just turn up.

For further information, please contact:

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Plant Sale

Many thanks to everyone who helped with the plant sale at the beginning of May. Despite not having many customers, the total raised to date is over £360 .

**Didcot All Saints'
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The Ladygrove Church Services

All Saints'

Sunday 8:00 AM	The Holy Eucharist (Common Worship Order One, Traditional Language)
10:00 AM	The Parish Eucharist (Except first Sunday of Month)
10:00 AM	Family Service (First Sunday of Month)
6:30 PM	The Holy Eucharist with a hymn and Prayer for Healing (Common Worship Order One, Traditional Language, First Sunday of Month)
Tuesday 9:30 AM	The Holy Eucharist (Common Worship Order One, Traditional Language)

The Ladygrove Church

Sunday 10:00 AM At the Ladygrove Community
Centre
(All ages, with Sunday School)

Prayer Intentions: June

<p>1st: Easter VII Readings: Psalm 104; Revelation 21:1-8.</p> <p>Prayer intentions: Loyd Road. Our Church Wardens and PCC.</p>	<p>2nd: Readings: Psalm 93; 1 John 2:18-end.</p> <p>Prayer intentions: Cockcroft Road, Mowbray Road Our clergy and those at All Saints, particularly Fr Mark as he prepares for his minist- ry to the GWP.</p>	<p>3rd: Martyrs of Uganda Readings: Psalm 99; 1 John 3:1-10.</p> <p>Between 1885 and 1887, at least 45 Christian men were executed by the then king of Buganda, Mwanga II for their faith and for refusing to kow- tow to the King.</p> <p>Prayer intentions: Barnes Road, Barnes Close. Little Fishes, carers and tod- dlers groups and PACT.</p>	<p>4th: Petroc Readings: Psalm 29; 1 John 3:11-end. A welsh prince, who was missionary to Britons in Devon and Cornwall. He died in 564 and is vener- ated throughout Cornwall. Prayer intentions: Edwin Road. Wednesday Church, their leaders and all those who care for those with learn- ing disabilities.</p>
<p>5th: Boniface Readings: Psalm 24; 1 John 4:1-6. Born Wynfrith in 675 in Wessex. Boniface was an Anglo-Saxon missionary to the Franks, the first Archbishop of Mainz and is patron saint of Germany. He and 52 others were killed in Friesland in 754. Prayer intentions: Green Road; Green Close. Persecuted Christians throughout the world.</p>	<p>6th: Ini Kopuria Readings: Psalm 28; 1 John 4:7-end. A police officer in the Solo- mon Islands, he formed the Melanesian Brotherhood to take the Gospel to non- Christians in Melanesia. Prayer intentions: Royal Berkshire Close. Our Director of Music and the choir.</p>	<p>7th: Readings: Psalm 43; John 15:26-16:15. Prayer intentions: Queensway; Hardings Strings. Our Bishops, John and Colin, Archdeacon Judy.</p>	<p>8th: Pentecost Readings: Psalm 87; Acts 10:34-end. The day on which we cele- brate the birth of the Worldwide (Holy and Catholic) Church Prayer intentions: Tavistock Avenue; Bowness Avenue. Churches Together in Did- cot and District.</p>
<p>9th: Columba Readings: Psalm 126; Romans 1:1-17. An Irish abbot and mission- ary to the Picts in Scotland and founder of the Commu- nity at Iona, where he died and is buried. Prayer intentions: Warner Crescent; Morse Road. Alton Abbey and the Iona Community.</p>	<p>10th: Readings: Psalm 132; Romans 1:18-end Prayer intentions: South Park Avenue; Downs Road. Our PCSO (Police Commu- nity Support Officer), Chris Wyatt.</p>	<p>11th: Barnabas Readings: Psalm 100, 101; Acts 4:32-end. He travelled with and on be- half of St Paul, with a mission to Gentile converts to Judaism and Christianity. He is be- lieved to have founded the Cypriot Orthodox Church and was martyred at Salamis in 61. Prayer intentions: Newlands Avenue. Those who prepare and attend Wednesday Fellowship lunch.</p>	<p>12th: Readings: Psalm 143; Romans 2. Prayer intentions: Glebe Rd; Lynmouth Rd. Our Youth Group, its Young Leaders and Leaders.</p>
<p>13th: Readings: Psalm 144; Romans 3:1-20. Prayer intentions: Craven Way; Hillary Dr; Lockinge Close. Didcot Community Gospel Choir.</p>	<p>14th: Readings: Psalm 147; Romans 3:21-end. Prayer intentions: Cullen Place; Hanover Court. Those who work maintaining the Church grounds.</p>	<p>15th: Trinity Readings: Psalms 86; John 17:1-11. Prayer intentions: Clarence Place, Frideswide's Court. Didcot TRAIN and their Youth Workers.</p>	<p>16th: Richard Readings: Psalm 1; Romans 4:1-12 Bishop of Chichester, with a reputation for helping the poor. Also famous for the prayer ascribed to him. Prayer intentions: Wantage Road; Colbourne Road. Those who put together the Church magazine and weekly news-sheets.</p>

Prayer Intentions: June

<p>17th: Readings: Psalm 5; Romans 4:13-end.</p> <p>Prayer intentions: Barleyfields; Elbourne. Singing for the Brain and those suffering from Dementia.</p>	<p>18th: Readings: Ps 119:1-32; Romans 5:1-11.</p> <p>Prayer intentions: Drake Avenue; Collingwood Avenue. St Peter's Outreach to the community.</p>	<p>19th: Corpus Christi Readings: Psalm 15; Romans 5:12-end.</p> <p>The Feast was started in Liege, in response to a call to mark the wonderful gift of Christ to us in the Blessed Sacrament. As Maundy Thursday is overshadowed by the betrayal of Jesus and his Passion, a separate feast was established.</p> <p>Prayer intentions: Park Road; Park Close. Our Eucharistic Ministers.</p>	<p>20th: Readings: Psalm 19; Romans 6: 1-14.</p> <p>Prayer intentions: Garden Close; Rutherford Place. Those who prepare the intercessions for Sunday worship.</p>
<p>21st: Readings: Psalm 23; Romans 6:15-end.</p> <p>Prayer intentions: Norreys Road; Norreys Close. Those who read the Scriptures in Church.</p>	<p>22nd: Trinity I Readings: Psalm 49; Acts 27:1-12.</p> <p>Prayer intentions: Meadow Way; Brunel Road. Those who provide refreshments for services and events at Church.</p>	<p>23rd: Etheldreda Readings: Psalm 30; Romans 7.</p> <p>Aethelthryth was an Anglo-Saxon princess who, although married to the King of Northumbria, became a nun and founded a double monastery at Ely (having inherited the Isle from her first husband).</p> <p>Prayer intentions: Portway; Wheatfields. CSMV Wantage.</p>	<p>24th: John the Baptist Readings: Psalm 50, 149; Matthew 11:2-19.</p> <p>John the Baptist and the BVM are the only saints who have a feast for their births as well as their deaths.</p> <p>Prayer intentions: Cromwell Drive; St Ann's Court. St John's Guild, those who work for and with those with visual disabilities.</p>
<p>25th: Readings: Ps 119:33-56; Romans 8:1-11.</p> <p>Prayer intentions: St Hilda's Close; St Hugh's Rise. Didcot Community Hospital, all who use the facilities and who work there.</p>	<p>26th: Readings: Psalm 37; Romans 8:12-17.</p> <p>Prayer intentions: Campion Hall Drive; Pebble Drive. Didcot Library, its users and staff.</p>	<p>27th: Cyril Readings: Psalm 31; Romans 8:18-30.</p> <p>Bishop of Alexandria and one of the Church Fathers, his inclusion in the Calendar was controversial as he was Bishop during a time when many Christians were expelled from the Church for heresy and his possible role in this was unknown.</p> <p>Prayer intentions: Stonesfield; Mansfield Gardens. The whole parish.</p>	<p>28th: Irenaeus Readings: Psalm 42; Romans 8:31-end.</p> <p>Second Century bishop of what is now Lyons in France, wrote extensively about the heresy of Gnosticism. The earliest writer to confirm the place of the Four Gospels in the canon.</p> <p>Prayer intentions: Linacre Close; Balliol Drive. Northbourne and Willowcroft Schools.</p>
<p>29th: Peter and Paul Readings: Psalm 71, 113; Acts 11:1-18.</p> <p>Prayer intentions: Those sitting exams and awaiting exam results.</p>	<p>30th: Readings: Psalm 44; Romans 9:1-18</p> <p>Prayer intentions: Buckingham Close; Balmoral Road. The Quiz n Chips team, those who raise funds for the ministry of St Peter's.</p>	<p>St Paul's Letter to the Romans was probably written just before Paul made his last journey to Rome - where he was beheaded cAD67. The Letter is written to introduce himself to the churches in Rome before his arrival and, from its tone, it is apparent that he believes that they will have heard of him, and that not all they have heard has been good. The letter sets out neatly Paul's theology and he uses it to underline all that he has in common with those in the churches in Rome. It is interesting to note it includes in the sign off a greeting to a female apostle—one Junia.</p>	

PENTECOST IN THE PARK

ACTS 2: 1-13

SUNDAY
JUNE 8
2-5PM

2:00 TO 3:30PM

FELLOWSHIP, FOOD & FUN FOR ALL AGES. ACTIVITIES INCLUDING SPORTS & CRAFTS FOR YOUTH & CHILDREN

4:00 TO 5:00PM

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Services

Sundays

8.00AM Book of
Common Prayer Holy
Communion.
10.00AM Parish Sung
Eucharist
6.00PM Evensong
(1st Sunday in month)

Weekday Offices

Morning Prayer:
usually said at 8.30AM
on weekdays (except
Fridays) & Saturday.

Weekday Services

Tuesday 12.00NOON
Little Fishes Eucharist

Thursday 9.30AM
Eucharist

**The Sacrament is
reserved at St Peter's
and is available to any
who wish to receive it
in their home or in the
hospital.**

Registers

Baptisms 'made one with Christ'

Freya Darvill-West

Funerals 'may they rest in peace and rise in glory'

Germaine Blakely
Michael Wicks

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Quiz 'n' Chips

21st June

20th September

18th October

15th November

Year's Mind for June

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| 1 | | 17 Ernest Bishop |
| 2 | Violet Walker | Alexander Lamb |
| | Diane Evans | Victoria Wright |
| | Maureen Henbest | Marleen Ellis |
| 3 | Thomas Hansford | Dennis Taylor |
| | Leonard Pratt | 18 Courtney Hooper |
| 4 | Phillip Lewis | 19 George Poole |
| | Edward Creed | Matthew Creed |
| | Jack Pattinson | Valerie Griffiths |
| 5 | Murdo Fraser | 20 Harold Robinson |
| | Arthur Drewitt | Leonard Pearson |
| 6 | Sheila Skelton | David Morgan |
| | Margaret Sinclair | 21 Florence Huggins |
| | Gwen Hooper | Margaret Teague |
| 7 | Edna Head | 22 Francisco Mondejar |
| | Kathleen Willis | Thomas Fedrick |
| 8 | Ted Goodall | 23 Kevin Thomas |
| | Vi Houghton | Samuel Stewart |
| | Kenneth Naylor | 24 William Buckingham |
| | George Courtier | Michael Tallett |
| | Maureen Belcher | 25 Peggy Pease |
| 9 | Edith Mitchell | Michael Neary |
| | Eric Hoskins | 26 William Bishop |
| | Molly Fergusson | George McLean |
| 10 | | Florence Fernback |
| 11 | Frank Burton | 27 Albert Williams |
| | John Francis | Robert Jefford |
| | Ella Ritson | 28 Alfred Burton |
| 12 | Gordon Buckingham | 29 Lucy Newman |
| | Elsie Hansford | Jacqueline (Jean) |
| | Frederick Grimes | West |
| | Joan Johnston | 30 Harold Warburton |
| 13 | Annie Hill | Lionel Bushnell |
| | Shirley Beadle | Cyril Culliford |
| 14 | Dorothy West | Sylvia Pointer |
| 15 | Robert Howse | |
| 16 | Jacob Collingbourne | |
| | William Brewerton | |
| | Elizabeth Goodall | |

Church Calendar for June 2014

Sunday 1 Seventh Sunday of Easter

8.00AM Book of Common Prayer Holy Communion.
8.45AM Parish Breakfast in Church.
10.00AM Sung Eucharist.
10.00AM Sunday school.
12.00NOON Baptism.
6.00PM Choral Evensong.

Monday 2

10.30AM Alzheimer's 'Singing for the Brain'.

Tuesday 3

12.00NOON Tuesday Club with Little Fishes Communion
7.30PM Didcot Choral Society rehearsal.

Wednesday 4

10.00AM-1.00PM Wednesday Church
7.30PM Didcot Community Gospel Choir rehearsal.

Thursday 5

9.30AM Holy Communion

Friday 6

6.45PM Choir practice

Sunday 8 Pentecost

8.00AM Book of Common Prayer Holy Communion.
8.45AM Parish Breakfast in Church.
10.00AM Sung Eucharist

Tuesday 10

12.00NOON Tuesday Club with Little Fishes Communion.

Wednesday 11

10.00AM Northbourne School outdoor service.
11.45AM Wednesday Fellowship.

Thursday 12

9.30AM Holy Communion
7.15PM Youth Group.

Friday 13

6.45PM Choir practice

Sunday 15 Trinity Sunday

8.00AM Book of Common Prayer Holy Communion.
8.45AM Parish Breakfast in Church.
10.00AM Sung Eucharist.
10.00AM Sunday school.
6.00PM Holy Hour & Benediction.



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Monday 16

10.30AM Alzheimer's 'Singing for the Brain'.

Tuesday 17

12.00NOON Tuesday Club with Little Fishes Communion.

Wednesday 18

7.30PM Didcot Community Gospel Choir rehearsal.

Thursday 19 Corpus Christi

9.30AM Holy Communion
7.30PM PCC Meeting.

Friday 20

6.45PM Choir practice

Saturday 21

7.30PM Quiz 'n' Chips
(Doors open 7.00PM)

Sunday 22 First Sunday after Trinity

8.00AM Book of Common Prayer Holy Communion.
8.45AM Parish Breakfast in Church.
10.00AM Sung Eucharist & Benediction.

Tuesday 24

12.00NOON Tuesday Club with Little Fishes Communion.
2.00PM St John's Guild

Wednesday 25

7.30PM Didcot Community Gospel Choir rehearsal.

Thursday 26

9.30AM Holy Communion.
7.15PM Youth Group.

Friday 27

6.45PM Choir Practice

Sunday 29 Patronal Sunday

8.00AM Book of Common Prayer Holy Communion.
8.45AM Parish Breakfast in Church.
11.00AM Sung Eucharist.
(followed by Bring & Share lunch).
6.00PM Compline and Benediction.

Monday 30

10.30AM Alzheimer's 'Singing for the Brain'.



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