

QUIET GARDEN DAY at Aston Tirrold Centre for Reflection on Saturday 13 January 10 am - 4 pm. Leader: Sue Sheppy. Title: Deep Roots. Lunch and refreshments are provided. A donation of £15 would be welcome. If you wish to attend, please inform Keith Green (rkeith1037@gmail.com).

THE INTER-CHURCH QUIZ will take place on Friday, 19 January at 7.30 p.m. at Christ Church. Please contact Hilary Clare if you are interested in joining the St Michael's team. (525898 or hilarymclare@gmail.com)

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 18-25 January. Events will include: a United Service on Sunday 21 January 2018, 3 pm (*tbc*) at St Helen's Church, service led by the Revd Mary Williamson, including refreshments and an exhibition of CiA task groups after the service and Midday prayers Monday 22 - Friday 26 January at St Nicolas' Church. Midday prayers will be based on the pre-prepared material from Churches Together in Britain and Ireland, and will be followed by refreshments and fellowship.

The following clergy will lead on the following days:

Monday The Revd Paul Smith
Tuesday The Revd Steve Millard
Wednesday The Revd Rebecca Peters
Thursday The Revd Dr Charles Miller
Friday The Revd Keith Dunnett/Nessa Watts

THE BEATITUDES: A SHORT COURSE on Saturday mornings, 27 January, 10, 24 February and 10 March 2018 from 11 am to ca. 12.30. The Beatitudes are recorded by Matthew's Gospel and are central to Jesus' teaching on discipleship. Yet neither Mark nor John records them, and in Luke's Gospel they look quite different. What's going on? What does it mean to be blessed? Do other biblical texts help us? And when we have understood what Jesus is saying, what are we to do about it? How are we to live? Join us as we study these words and use them in an ancient form of Christian practice called "divine reading". We will listen for the Lord to speak to us again and as we hear his voice, we will seek to obey and find the conversion of our life. Speakers: John Barton, Emma Percy, Paul Sheppy and Phillip Tovey. Each session will conclude with a short form of Midday Prayer, led by Fr Paul.

VESPERS BY CANDLELIGHT on Holocaust Memorial Day – a concert in St Michael's Church on Saturday 27 January at 7.30 pm. in support of the Abingdon Passion Play. Music: *Vespers* by Rachmaninov; *Negro Spirituals*; *Miserere* by Allegri. Tickets price £10.

THE DOOR Copies of the January issue are available in church.



St MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS CHURCH

ABINGDON-ON-THAMES

7th January 2018

Baptism of Christ

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Web site: <http://www.stmichaels-abingdon.org.uk>
Please join us for coffee or tea after our 9.30am service today.
If you are a visitor to St Michael's and would like us to keep in touch with you please speak to a churchwarden or sidesperson.
Please take home copies of this Leaflet for your friends and family who are not in church this weekend.

Items for inclusion in the next Leaflet to be sent to David Duce by midday on Tuesday. Telephone 522591, pewleaflet@stmichaels-abingdon.org.uk

[*for Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals please contact the Parish Office]

Sunday 7 January Baptism of Christ (Changes in red)

08.00	Holy Communion (1662) at St. Nicolas'. The Revd Dr Charles Miller
09.30	Sung Mass at St. Michael's. The Revd Professor John Barton
10.30	Sung Eucharist & Blessing of the Water at St. Helen's. The Revd Mary Williamson / The Revd Dr Jane Baun
11.15	Matins at St. Nicolas. The Revd Canon Keith Ward
16.30	Epiphany Music & Readings and Tea at St. Helen's.
1st Reading	Genesis 1.1-5
Psalm	29
2nd Reading	Acts 19.1-7
Gospel	Mark 1.4-11

Weekday services

Morning and Evening Prayer at St Helen's.

Tues: at St Michael's. **Said Mass** on Tuesday evenings is temporarily suspended.

Thurs: at St Michael's. **Said Mass** at 12.30, followed by a light lunch; preceded by Circle Dancing at 11.00.

The Sanctuary Lamps are sponsored from 8 to 14 January by Sue Scott in memory of Lewis, her father-in-law.

Sunday 14 January 2nd Sunday of Epiphany

08.00	Holy Communion (1662) at St. Nicolas'.
09.30	Sung Mass at St. Michael's.
10.30	Sung Eucharist at St. Helen's.
11.15	Holy Communion at St. Nicolas.
17.30	Taizé at St. Helen's.
1st Reading	1 Samuel 3.1-10 [11-20]
Psalm	139
2nd Reading	Revelation 5.1-10
Gospel	John 1.43-end

Clergy Rota for St Michael's

Not available beyond 7 January at the time of writing.

Mass will be preceded by a welcome and a short period of silence
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Hymns (NEH)

Opening:	The sinless one to Jordan came	58
Offertory:	Songs of thankfulness and praise	56
Communion:	We hail thy presence glorious	310
Communion:	Sing to the Lord glad hymns of praise	316
Recessional:	We have a gospel to proclaim	486

Collect:

Eternal Father, who at the baptism of Jesus revealed him to be your Son, anointing him with the Holy Spirit: grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit, that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, ... **Amen**

Psalm

No psalm today

Please pray for:

- Poppy Bentley to be baptised this afternoon and her parents Nicholas and Hannah and her god parents.

A Litany for Epiphanytide

From the rising of the sun to its setting, let us pray to the Lord.

That the people of God in all the world may worship in spirit and in truth, let us pray to the Lord: **R. Lord have mercy.**

That the Church may discover again that unity which is your gift, let us pray to the Lord: **R.**

That the nations of the earth may seek after the ways that make for peace, let us pray to the Lord: **R.**

That the whole creation, groaning in travail, may be set free to enjoy the glorious liberty of the children of God, let us pray to the Lord: **R.**

That all who with Christ have entered the shadow of death may find the fulfilment of life and peace, let us pray to the Lord: **R.**

With all the saints in light, let us offer eternal praise to the Lord made manifest.

Source: Celebrating Common Prayer