

All Saints' Highfield

Lime Walk, Headington, Oxford OX3 7AL

Jan 2019
Price 30p



Sunday Worship

8.00 am	The Holy Communion (1662 Prayer Book)	
10.00 am	The Sung Eucharist (Common Worship) <i>1st, 3rd, 4th & 5th Sundays of the month</i> or Sung Matins and Sermon <i>2nd Sunday of the month</i>	
12 noon	The Holy Communion (1662 Prayer Book)	<i>1st and 3rd Sundays of the month</i>
3.30 pm (Oct-Mar)	Choral Evensong and Sermon	
6.00 pm (Apr-Sep)		

Weekday Worship

The Holy Communion:	Tuesdays at 8.00 am Saints' Days and Special Days at 8.00 am
Matins and Evensong:	(as announced)
Bible Study:	Tuesdays at 3.00 pm

Baptisms, churchings, banns and weddings by arrangement with the Vicar,
The Reverend J.E. Cocke M.A., The Vicarage, 85 Old Road, OX3 7LB, tel: 762536

Please inform the Vicar of illness and admittance to hospital.

Every Monday the Vicar is 'Off Duty' except in cases of emergency.

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All Saints' Church House

New High Street, Headington

Church House is available for Wedding Receptions, Parties, Conferences, Meetings, etc. at the following charges:

Main Hall, including use of kitchen,	£15 per hour
Upper Hall,	£13 per hour
Committee Room,	£6 per hour

For further details, and to enquire about availability, apply to the Bookings Secretary, Leila Araiza, via email only allsaintschurchhouse@hotmail.co.uk



Regular Meetings in Church House:

Monday: Playgroup morning, Pilates evening

Tuesday: Judo and Yoga classes, evening

Wednesday: CAA church Bible class, evening

Thursday: Guides and Yoga, evening

Saturday: Filipino SDA church morning and afternoon

Sunday: Informal worship and Bible classes, a.m.

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The Vicar's Christmas Sermon 2018



At a particularly bleak moment during the Second World War, the English historian Arthur Bryant found himself on a train heading for Salisbury.

The coaches were packed with people – sailors, soldiers, members of the Royal Air Force and numerous civilians. All the seats were occupied with many sitting on the floor. No refreshments were available and few felt inclined to engage in conversation. As the train drew near to Salisbury, there was a slight movement amongst the passengers. It seemed that some of them were looking for something. Looking through the



windows of the coaches, many caught sight of it. The famous Spire of the Cathedral was still there. It was with an audible sigh of relief that they realised that the Cathedral was still standing. The Spire was there. Those on that war time train looked and were satisfied. “We saw it,” writes Bryant: - “Strong, tapering – right in proportion and significance – in every heart there burnt a little flame of hope.”

You have come to church this morning because it is Christmas Day. You don't normally come to church on Tuesday morning. You don't normally wear a silly paper hat on Tuesday morning and yet it is more than likely that you will be doing so later in the day. Why are you here? You have come to look once again at the Christmas event and you are in good company. Some shepherds came down from the hills surrounding Bethlehem in order to look inside a stable where a baby had been born. Some wise men came to the end of a long journey to Bethlehem and looked at that stable. In his poem “The Journey of the Magi,” the poet T. S. Eliot says that it had been “such a long journey.” They came with a perplexing question in their hearts and minds. Every generation faces this question soon or later. “Is the Universe friendly?” Some attempt to brush this question underneath the carpet. But it won't go away. It keeps popping up. “Is there a purpose in life?” “Is there any satisfactory answer to the conundrums of life?” “Why are we here?” “Is the Universe friendly?” A man, who was born well over one thousand years ago, said to his King one

day, “the life of man – like a sparrow’s flight through a bright hall - sparrow flies in one door – stays for a moment – vanishes into – darkness. So stays for a moment – life of man.” And then referring to the Christian faith went on to say. “If this new teaching can help – let us follow it.” You have come to look at Christmas once again, which means that you have come to look at the Christ Child. You may have come with your own set of intellectual problems. Can it really be true? Was John Betjeman correct when he wrote “God was man in Palestine – lives today in bread and wine?” The way to belief is one step at a time. By coming here this morning you have taken this step. Just as the passengers on that train all those years ago were re-assured when they saw the Spire of Salisbury Cathedral, you are aware of a strange feeling of re-assurance when you look at the focal point of this day – a baby in a stable in Bethlehem.

Be re-assured by the Faith, which has led you here. The problems, which you have brought with you this Christmas morning, may not go away. However, this day says that you can at least live with them because love reigns. “Is the Universe friendly? In the light of this day, the answer has to be “Yes.”

Worship in January 2019

The Epiphany – Sunday 6th January

10 am **The Sung Eucharist.** *Preacher: The Rev. P. J. Boulton-Lea*
3 pm (N.B.) **Choral Evensong.** *Preacher: The Vicar*

The Baptism of Christ – The Second Sunday of Epiphany – 13th January

10 am **Choral Matins.** *Preacher: The Vicar*
3 pm **Choral Evensong.** *Preacher: The Vicar*

Annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity: 18th – 25th January

The Third Sunday of Epiphany – 20th January

10 am **The Sung Eucharist.** *Preacher: The Vicar*

N.B. There will be no Evensong at All Saints' due to a United Ecumenical Service to celebrate the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, which will be held at Headington Baptist Church, 78 Old High Street at 3.00pm. The Preacher will be Dupe Adefale, Pastor of Word Fountain Christian Ministries and Manager of the Multi-Faith Chaplaincy Team at Campsfield House.

The Conversion of Paul – Friday 25th January

The Fourth Sunday of Epiphany 27th January

10 am **The Sung Eucharist.** *Preacher: Mr. J. R. J. Larminie*
3 pm **Choral Evensong.** *Preacher: The Vicar*

Diary for January 2018

Wednesday 2nd Lunch at the Britannia – in the company of other members of All Saints’ – Just turn up between 12 noon and 12.30pm. No need to book

Thursday 10th Cowley Chapter of Clergy to meet at St Mary and St John Cowley at 12 noon

Wednesday 16th Monthly Coffee Morning in Church from 10.30am – 12noon

Saturday 19th Epiphany party at the Vicarage at 7pm. Two course buffet with wine/drinks £6. Please add your name to the list at the back of the Church if you would like to come

Wednesday 30th The Book Club will meet at 51 Demesne Furze from 10.30am to 12noon. Please contact Catherine Hodgkinson for more details

We give our very best thanks to our good friend, Lady Brigid Crofton, for the gift of a lime tree, which has been planted on the south side of the Nave of All Saints’ and replaces the tree which died last year.



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