Parish Newsletter
Sunday 9th Aug
10th Sunday after Trinity

August Calendar

Little Acorns will continue on Tuesdays
Bouncing Babies will continue on Wednesdays
Friday SEN Squirrels is finished until 4th Sept

Breast feeding will continue on Weds except 12th and 19th

Mothers and Toddlers open every Thus throughout August 9.30 - 11am

All Together as usual St John's 2nd August

Regular Communion at St Mary's (not Open Space) 16th Aug.

Tuesday Iona and Wednesday Communion continue

No Choir, nor Choristers, nor Evensong during Aug

No Pause for Prayer during Aug
No TIG in Aug
Big Sing will happen on 5th Aug

Sunday 9th Aug
10th Sunday after Trinity

8am Holy Communion (St Mary's)

10am Holy Communion (St Mary's)

10am Holy Communion (St John's and livestream)

Mon, Weds and Fri
10am Pause for Prayer online
Pause for Prayer has now stopped for the summer break and will resume in September.

Tuesday 11th Aug
7.30pm Iona Service (St John's)

Weds 12th Aug
11am Holy Communion (St Mary's)

Sunday 16th Aug
11th Sunday after Trinity

8am Holy Communion (St Mary's)

10am Holy Communion (St Mary's and livestream)

10am Holy Communion (St John's)

10am Holy Communion (Hampton Poyle)

Sunday 23rd Aug
12th Sunday after Trinity

8am Holy Communion (St Mary's)

NO 10am at St Mary's this week

10am Joint Parish Service (St John's and livestream)

All livestreams are here:
www.youtube.com/@KidHPChurch

Don't forget our service sheets are downloadable and online. Feel free to bring a tablet to the service to help the environment.

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St Mary's Kidlington will be closed to the public from Mon 17th to Fri 21st Aug due to maintenance.
Sorry for any inconvenience. Organ practice / Midweek Communion etc are still happening that week so not to worry. :)

Paul is not around this Friday but don't let that stop you!

Kings Arms from 7.30pm, this Friday 7th

As you may know Dr. Bruce Foreman, the Organist and Director of Music at St John's, is leaving us to take up the same position at St Nicholas, Marston. After more than a decade here, we wish him all the best in his new job.

Sat Aug 22nd will be Bruce's valedictory recital 7.30 - 8.15pm at St John's followed by drinks and a farewell party. All welcome!

The next day (Sun 23rd Aug) will be our Joint Parish Service also at St John's and Bruce will be playing us out for one last time.

Thanks, Bruce, for your faithful service, friendship, and fellowship!

Help needed

Jason and Sarah are moving soon, and would appreciate any/all help people can give in packing their van. Help needed from midday on August 18th and the morning of August 19th. Please contact Paul if you'd be able to lend a hand and he will put you in touch with them.

Holiday at Home 2026

This is a social time for ALL adults who would like some company, so please come and join us at **Kidlington Methodist Church, Thursday 13th, Friday 14th and Saturday 15th August** from 10.30am to 2:30pm.
£3.00 per day, including a home cooked meal and dessert, as well as refreshments.

There will be games of all sorts, handbells, talks, quizzes, jigsaw puzzles and more, plus lots of time to chat.
Please ring Marilyn King on 01865 376700 and leave your details if you would like a booking form (some are available at the back of the church.)

If you would like to help with Holiday at Home, please also contact Marilyn to find out what's needed.

Moses Day – Saturday 12th September 2026

Do you remember Joseph Day, when we all came together to tell the story of Joseph through music and drama? The communities from the three churches had a fantastic day having fun, making new friends and thinking more deeply about a story we all know well.
Well, buckle up for Moses Day. Do you know Oh, what a beautiful morning? We Will Rock You? Safe and Sound? I whistle a happy tune?
All of these songs feature in a retelling of the story of Moses as a 'jukebox musical' (a stage musical told through pre-existing well-known songs) and everybody is invited to join in. The day will run from about 11am to about 5pm (exact timings to be confirmed) at St Mary's Kidlington, and there will be something for everybody. Do you sing? Do you dance? Do you make brilliant cups of tea? Can you use face paint? We will include a shared lunch. .
For now, put the date in your diary – more details coming soon.

Serving the Community:

Funerals

Anthony Walker
7th Aug, 1pm St Mary's

Richard Goodgame
10th Aug, Midday, Nth Ox Crematorium

Michael Dunnill
12th Aug, Midday, St Mary's Hampton Poyle

Annette Newbery
24th Aug, 1pm, Nth Ox Crematorium

Sally Anne Morris
26th Aug, Midday, St Mary's Kidlington

In our Prayers this Week

Peter, Eirian and James
Sarah and Vassilis, Pat, Diana, Andrew, David T
Graham Bullock
Cat and Hannah
David and Margaret
David Th

We continue to pray for all where there are wars, civil strife or natural disasters

Key Points from PCC Meeting, July 28th 2026

- A Faculty has been granted from the Diocese for Martin's Garden. The committee has been working very hard over many months to get to this point. We hope that construction work can begin in September, using local firm Ace Training, which supports young people starting out in the construction industry.
- Thanks to our recent Stewardship campaign, and the generosity of parishioners, we are in a much more secure financial position than a couple of years ago. Look out for pie charts in the three churches, which give an idea of where all the money goes.
- One huge area of expenditure is on maintenance of our buildings, making them safe and welcoming places in which to worship. Repair of the plasterwork in St Mary's Kidlington will begin very soon.
- Members of the Oxford Deanery were impressed by a recent talk on "Vocational Pathways", a Learning Hub which provides free courses for anyone interested in deepening their faith. Find details at Learning Hub - Diocese of Oxford
- Our Safeguarding Officer, Yo Davies, continues to work very hard to ensure that all events that take place in our buildings, both Church and Non Church activities, comply with the Diocesan requirements for a safe environment.
- Our children and young people's groups continue to grow and flourish. Go4th, the monthly house group, and St Mary's Junior Choir are new this year, and the young people have been busy fundraising for their activity weekend away in September.

KIDLINGTON with HAMPTON POYLE

Summer Sundays at St Mary's

Church Open for

Afternoon Teas

3pm to 5pm

in the Refectory at the back of the church

from 3rd May to 6th September

Services for this season
More info on www.kidhp.org.uk

2 August	St Mary's K	10am	Holy Communion
	St John's	10am	All Together
	St Mary's HP	10am	Holy Communion
9 August	St Mary's K	10am	Holy Communion
	St John's	10am	Holy Communion
16 August	St Mary's K	10am	Holy Communion
	St John's	10am	Holy Communion
	St Mary's HP	10am	Holy Communion
23 August	**St John's**	**10am**	**Joint Parish Communion**
30 August	St Mary's K	10am	Holy Communion
	St John's	10am	All Together
6 September	St Mary's K	10am	Holy Communion
	St John's	10am	All Together
	St Mary's HP	**3pm**	**Pet Service**

Also 8am Service of Holy Communion in St Mary's Kidlington every Sunday.

FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S KIDLINGTON

THIS MY THEATRE

Alice's Adventures in WONDERLAND

ST MARY'S CHURCH KIDLINGTON

6th September, 5pm

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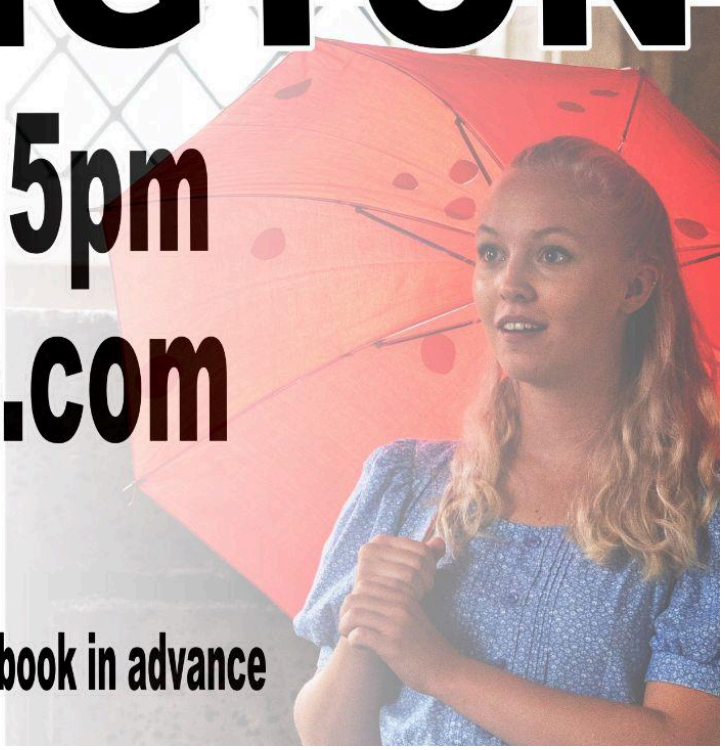

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Kidlington Amateur Operatic Society
presents

Sister Act

Broadway stage version

Wed 21st Oct - Sat 24th Oct 2026 7:30 pm

Gosford Hill School, Kidlington

Tickets £15, under-17 £10

VIP tickets £20, under-17 £15

CREDITS SHEET

Music by ALAN MENKEN
Lyrics by GLENN SLATER
Book by CHERI STEINKELLNER and BILL STEINKELLNER
Additional book material DOUGLAS CARTER BEANE
Based on the Touchstone Picture Motion Picture 'Sister Act'
Written by Joseph Howard
This amateur production is presented by arrangement with Music Theatre International All authorised performance material are also supplied by MTI www.mtishows.co.uk
Orchestrations by Doug Besterman
Vocal and Incidental Music Arrangement by Michael Kosarin
Produced on Broadway by Whoopi Goldberg and Stage Entertainment in association with the Shubert Organisation and Disney Theatrical Productions.
Original Production Developed in Association with Peter Schneider and Michael Reno and Produced by Stage Entertainment

World Premier Produced by Pasadena Playhouse, Pasadena CA and Alliance Theatre, Atlanta GA
Sheldon Epps, Artistic Director,
Susan V. Booth, Artistic Director,
Lyla White, Executive Director,
Tom Pechar, Managing Director,
Tom Ware, Producing Director

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Budget Commentary

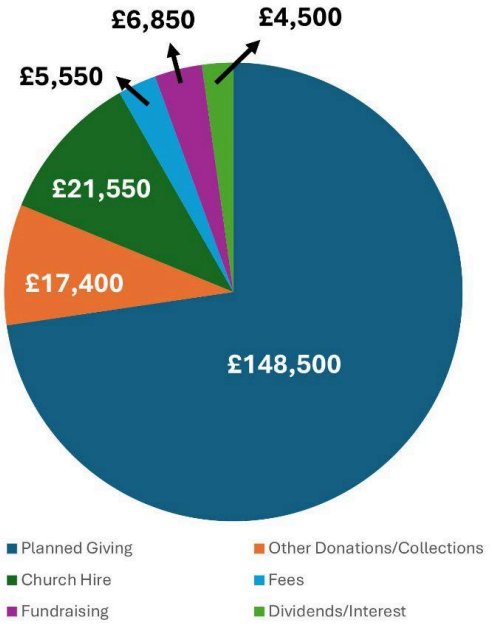
- The vast majority of our income comes from Planned Giving. This reflects the generosity of our congregations and supporters, and we are very grateful for this.
- We receive NO FUNDS from the Oxford Diocese, or from the national Church Of England – we stand on our own financially.
- The Stewardship Campaign has been very successful, and we have managed to increase our income to cover expenditure and help build up reserves.

- Approximately half of our income is paid to the Oxford Diocese as a Parish Share. For more details on Parish Share, please ask one of the Church Wardens.
- The other budgeted costs reflect a "business as usual" situation and do not take into account any special projects, especially relating to buildings.

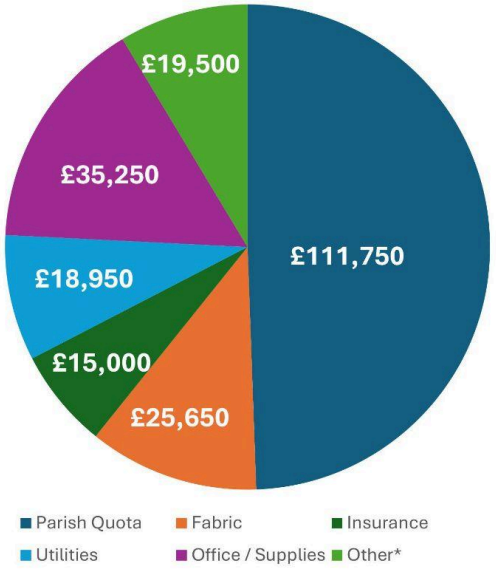
Parish Of Kidlington With Hampton Poyle –2026 Budget

Note: this is the budget signed off by PCC in November 2025, and the reason why we needed a Stewardship Campaign

Total Income = £204,380



Total Expenditure = £226,100



* Other = Music, CYP, Mission, Depreciation, Expenses