Parish Newsletter
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The **Village Service of Remembrance** will be a Service of the Word with uniformed organisations **at St Mary's at 10am** leading into an **act of remembrance** outside at the war memorial at **10.50am** and a marching band procession to Exeter Hall. All are welcome for refreshments and to view the poppy display at Exeter Hall Afterwards.

5pm At Hampton Poyle. A Service of the Word in combined remembrance of those we love who have died and those who have died in war. We remember them all by name and light candles for them.

Communion Services are at 8am St Mary's, and 10am St John's (including a simple Act of Remembrance)

Pause for Prayer is now once a week and will follow a theme. November is 'Holy Fire!'

11th - Nebuchadnezzar's burning fiery furnace: "even if God doesn't save us he is still our God"
18th - The burning Bush: turn aside Moses
25th - Pentecost : Anointed by fire

You can find these reflections on our Facebook page live at 10am each Wednesday or after that at a time of your convenience.
https://www.facebook.com/KidlingtonAnglicanChurches

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8am Holy Communion (St Mary's)

10am Full Civic Service with Act of Remembrance
(St Mary's)

10am Holy Communion with Act of Remembrance
(St John's and livestream)

5pm All Souls Remembrance
(Hampton Poyle)

10am Pause for Prayer online Now only on a Weds

Tuesday 10th Nov
7.30pm Iona Service (St John's)

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

Sunday 15th November
2nd before Advent

8am Holy Communion (St Mary's)

10am Open Space Service (St Mary's)

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

10am Holy Communion (Hampton Poyle)

5.30pm Evensong (St Mary's)

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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Calling All Parents & Carers

Our Children's & Young People's programme has restarted with the new academic year.
1st Sunday of the month 10am: **All Together at St John's** — an all-age service with art, craft and activities.
2nd Sunday of the month 10am: Choristers sing at St Mary's — OR— there Sunday School ("Junior Church") at St John's (in the evening there's the "TIG" youth group, 7-8:15pm at St John's; see details below*)
3rd Sunday of the month 10am: **Junior Church at St John's** — with breakfast beforehand
(in the afternoon the Choristers sing at Evensong; St Mary's, 5:30pm)
4th Sunday at 10am is a Joint Service, which alternates between St Mary's & St John's; either way there's Junior Church (in the evening there's the "Go 4th" home group, 7-8:15pm at St John's; see details below**)
Hope to see some of you and your fantastic kids on Sunday at St Mary's and/or St John's over the autumn.
God bless you! Oliver (The Revd Oliver Harrison)Team Vicar, Kidlington
* Our brilliant youth group, **"TIG" ("Together In God"), meets on the 2nd Sunday of the month** 7-8:15pm at St John's for Year 6 and up
** **"Go 4th" is a Bible study and discussion group for young people** who want to explore their faith in more depth, ask questions, and come away thinking about God, life, themselves and others in a new, more mature, way.

Oliver and Huw are looking for **5 women to play a simple part in the Open Space Service on the 15th November**. No experience or learning lines or preparation needed. Thanks - contact Oliver for more info.



First Friday of every month, so that is this
Friday 7th Nov at the Kings Arms from 7.30pm

Age UK Scam awareness advice

It is that time of year again when scammers are rife in the community so here is a general guide from Age UK Oxfordshire. Please be aware, as they get more cunning each year.
https://www.ageuk.org.uk/siteassets/documents/information-guides/ageukig05_avoiding_scams_inf.pdf

Serving the Community:

Funerals

20th November,
Ken Morgan, North Oxford Crematorium, 2pm

Wedding

Walter & Ning 7th Nov, Hampton Poyle

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
Joe and Zara
Pamela Jewitt

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

Coffee concerts at St Mary's



Music of the highest quality last Sunday 1st November.
Karin Norlén and Bethe Levvy, a professional viola and piano duo, delighted us with a performance of the Sonata in A major by César Franck. Whilst the motet 'Panis Angelicus' is probably Franck's best known piece, his A major sonata is one of the pinnacles of the 19th century string repertoire, full of passion and memorable melodies.

This will be a tough gig to follow so let's give Anne and Mike and Rosie our support on the 22nd !



Posada 2026

Advent will soon be upon us and the Posada will be travelling around the parish again.
For those unfamiliar with this - it is a small basket containing Mary, Joseph and a donkey. We mark their journey to Bethlehem and their search for shelter by welcoming them into our homes for a night or two before moving them along to the next house on the list. It will start from St John's on Advent Sunday 29th November returning to St John's on Christmas Eve.

If you would like to be included please let Margaret Day know **asap and certainly no later than Sunday 22nd November**. You can do this by completing an online form at https://kidhp.churchsuite.com/-/forms/5jfc4hjq

In order to keep the admin as simple as possible we aim to distribute the list of participants (with contact details) to everyone taking part so that it is easy to make arrangements for passing on the Posada or to swap dates. If you are happy with this, then please indicate this on the form. If you do not want this, you can say so on the form and we will make special arrangements to share your details with just the people before and after you on the list. We also ask you to confirm that you will delete contact details supplied to you once your participation is over.

If you need more information or help with this then please do contact Margaret, margaret.day12@btinternet.com.



Fairtrade & Ethical Group

Product focus No 2 – Chocolate

Most of us have a favourite chocolate bar or snack, whether it's milk, white or dark chocolate, contains biscuit, wafer, caramel or nuts. Are there any other factors in your choice of purchase?

Issues:

- **Low prices** paid for cocoa beans mean many cocoa farmers live below the poverty line
- **Child labour** is common in cocoa bean farming where there is no regulation
- **Palm oil** is widely used in mass-produced chocolate bars, the production of which leads to deforestation, land grabbing and human right's abuses
- Rainforest Alliance schemes have **no minimum price** and a considerably lower premium paid to the community than fairtrade
- **Pesticide** use is high in cocoa cultivation.

Solutions:

- Buy **Fairtrade** – this guarantees a fair price for the farmers and puts money back into the community.
- Buy **organic** to avoid heavy chemical use.
- Choose a **palm oil free** company or brand
- Fairtrade and organic certifications have **regulations** in place that **guard against child labour**

Divine CHOCOLATE · co op · TONY'S CHOCOLONELY · Ombar

To help you on your journey towards more ethical chocolate that is better for the producers and the planet we are planning a chocolate tasting session after the service on

Sunday 29th **November** at St John's
And Sunday 6**th** Dec**ember** at St Mary's
at both St Mary's and St John's

We will have bars from four more ethical brands that are also available locally – **Ombar**, **Divine**, **Tony's Chocolonely** and **Co-operative**. Where possible we'll have some milk, white and dark for you to try so that all tastes are covered and we'll provide information about where to buy and what else is available from each brand.

Celebrity Organ Recital Sun 8th Nov 3pm

This year the magnificent pipe organ at St Mary's Kidlington celebrates its 50th birthday. To mark this important milestone, this coming Sunday 8th November at 3pm there will be a special celebrity organ recital given by the world-renowned organist David Briggs. David is particularly known for his ability to "improvise" (create new music in real-time) and in this concert he will be improvising pieces in the style of numerous famous composers including Bach, Mozart and Mendelssohn, showing off the amazing range of sounds and moods the organ can create. It promises to be a spectacular event! The recital will last approximately 60 minutes and there'll be celebratory drinks afterwards. All are welcome!

Tickets are £15 for adults and £5 for u18s/students. Tickets can be bought in advance at www.kidhp.org.uk/briggs, or on the door.



Kidlington Concert Brass

Presents

A Concert of Remembrance



In aid of the Poppy Appeal

Sunday 8th November, 3pm

Exeter Hall, Kidlington

Entry by donation to the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

www.kidlingtonconcertbrass.org.uk

KIDLINGTON

HHH MAMPTON, HOILIE

Saturday 14th November

St Mary's Church

7pm

MAROONED WITH MUSIC



Buy tickets here:
https://tinyurl.com/yo-desert

Yo Davies



Interviewed by Jan Jeffreys

£12.50 on the door
Includes a glass of wine and nibbles

"EDUCATING GOD'S WAY"

David, Meghann, Joshua and Isaac Hewett share their recent experience of life, faith and education in Western Uganda



Saturday 21st November

7.30pm

St John's Church, Kidlington

Free entry with retiring collection for Child Care School, Maliba, Uganda.

KIDLINGTON with HAMPTON POYLE

Sunday morning services this season, more about Advent and Christmas services soon!
More information on www.kidhp.org.uk

11 October	St Mary's K	10am	Holy Communion
	St John's	10am	Holy Communion
18 October	St Mary's K	10am	Open Space
	St John's	10am	Holy Communion
	St Mary's HP	10am	Holy Communion
	St Mary's K	5.30pm	Choral Evensong
25 October	**St John's**	**10am**	**Joint Parish Communion**
1 November	St Mary's K	10am	Holy Communion
	St John's	10am	All Together
	St Mary's K	5.30pm	All Souls
8 November (Remembrance)	St Mary's K	10am	Remembrance Service
	St John's	10am	Holy Communion
	St Mary's HP	5pm	All Souls & Remembrance
15 November	St Mary's K	10am	Open Space
	St John's	10am	Holy Communion
	St Mary's H	10am	Holy Communion
	St Mary's K	5.30pm	Choral Evensong

"FOLLOW THAT STAR" Nativity Procession and Tableau
Saturday 19th December 2026, 2pm - 5pm

Procession Marshals and Biblical Characters needed

If you would like to help marshall the procession, or dress up as one of the characters in the Nativity story, please email: office@kidhp.org.uk

Thank you !

A big thank-you to everyone who performed, supported & helped with the ‘Bach to Bollywood’ concert



