

NEWSWIRE: 27th September 2024



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A message from Duncan

*The fire shall be kept burning on the altar continually,
it shall not go out. (Leviticus 6.13)*

In 1727, this verse from Leviticus inspired 24 men and 24 women to commit themselves to pray 24 hours a day and 7 days a week for God to move in their generation. It was a prayer meeting that went on to last 100 years! We're heading into just a week of prayer! And we won't be 24/7 but it would be great if we could each decide to spend perhaps one additional time during next week in prayer, on our own or with others. The details of various prayer times are [here](#). We will be praying for our passion for Jesus to keep going despite the many obstacles that we face, as individuals and as a church in our day. Jesus said that if salt loses its saltiness it is no longer good for anything. As we remain in Christ and committed to his good news we will continue to be light and salt to those around us in our families, workplaces and our community, so that God's kingdom might come in Eynsham and Cassington as it is in heaven. I can think of no better way to inspire us this week than leave you with these amazing words from Charles Wesley. A prayer we can all pray for ourselves, or even sing!

O thou who camest from above
the fire celestial to impart,
kindle a flame of sacred love
on the mean altar of my heart!

There let it for thy glory burn
with inextinguishable blaze,
and trembling to its source return
in humble prayer and fervent praise.

Jesus, confirm my heart's desire
to work, and speak, and think for thee;
still let me guard the holy fire,
and still stir up the gift in me.

Ready for all thy perfect will,
my acts of faith and love repeat;
till death thy endless mercies seal,
and make the sacrifice complete.

Collect for the Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Almighty and everlasting God,
increase in us your gift of faith
that, forsaking what lies behind
and reaching out to that which is before,
we may run the way of your commandments
and win the crown of everlasting joy;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

SERVICES ON SUNDAY

9.30am - BCP Holy Communion at St Peter's

Readings: Daniel 1:8-16; Matthew 5:13-16



10.30am - Harvest Morning Worship at St Leonard's
and live streamed on [this link](#)

Readings: Matthew 13.24-30;36-43

If you have difficulties accessing the service on the livestream link above, please try accessing [our youtube channel](#) directly.

7pm - Revive at St Leonard's

NEXT WEEK

Monday 30th September

Bump to One meet on Mondays from 10.30am to midday in St Leonard's

Walkie Talkies meet on Mondays (term time) from 10am to 11.30am in St Leonard's church hall.

Tuesday 1st October

Mum's Bible Study meet every Tuesday morning (term-time) 10 - 11.30am at 95 Hazeldene Close.

Tinies and Toddlers meet in Cassington Village Hall on Tuesday (term time) from 1.30 - 3pm

Wednesday 2nd October

Warm Welcome Wednesday from 10.30am to midday in **St Leonard's** church

Thursday 3rd October

Cassington Cafe from 10am in **Cassington Village Hall**

NEXT SUNDAY - 6th October

10.30am - Morning Worship at St Leonard's and livestreamed

3pm - Harvest Service at St Peter's followed by afternoon tea

7pm - Revive at St Leonard's

Looking further ahead

Saturday 12th October - Community Harvest Supper at Cassington Village Hall (see below)

The funeral of the late Michael Green will be held at **St Leonard's** church at **2pm on Tuesday 15th October**.



Week of Prayer: 30th September - 6th October

You will find details of prayer opportunities, focus and times [here](#). Paper copies of this leaflet are also available in both churches.

Harvest gifts at St Leonard's this Sunday, 29th September: you are invited to bring gifts of non-perishable food which will be donated to The Porch, a Christian project in East Oxford providing facilities and advice to homeless people (<https://theporch.org.uk/>). There will also be the opportunity to make financial donations to Tearfund, a Christian charity working in communities overseas to alleviate poverty (<https://www.tearfund.org/>). The card machine may not be working, so cash donations are preferred and there will be a labelled bowl for these at the back of the church. You can also give online to Tearfund's Harvest Appeal.

HARVEST CELEBRATION AT ST PETER'S CHURCH

Sunday 6th October at 3pm

followed by afternoon tea

For all ages – everyone welcome

Contributions of non-perishable items will be gratefully received for local Food Banks. A list of items can be found on the North Oxford Food Bank web site.

Financial donations can also be made directly to North Oxfordshire Food Bank <https://www.givefood.org.uk/needs/at/north-oxfordshire/>



HARVEST COMMUNITY SUPPER

With Eynsham Morris and the Chamberries

Saturday 12th October 6pm - 10pm at Cassington Village Hall

Join us for an evening of live music with jazz, blues, soul from local band 'The Chamberries' and songs, dancing, shanties and fun from Eynsham Morris.

Ticket price includes Ploughman's supper. Drinks available at pay bar.

Adults - £10

Under 16s - £5

Families - £25

Contact: Carolyn Hinton 07747 621597 chinton260@outlook.com or

Jan Macdonald 07941 419219 janmacdonald78@aol.com

Do you have a good knowledge of spreadsheets and / or databases and some time to help? We are looking for someone to help digitise our churchyard records. If you think you can help please speak to Duncan or contact Louise in the Church Office. Thank you!



BLYTHSWOOD CARE SHOEBOX APPEAL

This year's SHOEBOX Appeal is now operational and filled shoeboxes will be going to very needy people in Ukraine and Eastern Europe. Shoeboxes can be filled for girls, boys, teenagers, women, men and elderly women.

Leaflets with instructions and what to put inside your

SHOEBOX can be found inside the Foodbank Box outside St.Peter's Church or in the porch at St.Peter's Church and on the table at the back of St Leonard's church. If you would like to learn more about this appeal please contact:

St Peter's - Jane Aston on 01865 880757 or email janeaston53@aol.com

St Leonard's - Janet Haskett on 01865 882488 or email jehaskett1@googlemail.com

Completed Shoeboxes can be delivered to Jane Aston at 9, Bell Close, Cassington or dropped off at St Leonard's before the end of October.

Wednesday, 9 October at 7:30pm to 9pm

St Mary Magdalene, Woodstock

“John's Gospel: its ancient setting for today”

An interactive evening with Rev Steve Stewart,

Rector of Hanborough and Freeland

Steve has recently submitted his doctoral thesis looking at the role of the law of Moses in the Gospel of John. He will be sharing some of the fruits of his research. Accessible to anyone who simply has an interest in reading John's Gospel. Plenty of time for questions. All welcome!



Baby weighing

As a resource for the village there will be scales available to weigh your baby on these days:

- **Mondays 10.30 - 11am (term-time)**
St. Leonard's Church Hall
(during "Walkie Talkies")
- **Wednesdays 10.30 - 11.30am**
St. Leonard's Church
(during "Warm Welcome Wednesday")

Please be aware:

THERE IS **NO** HEALTH PROFESSIONAL
AVAILABLE! SCALES ONLY!

BUMP TO ONE



WALKIE TALKIES



Please pray for:

- Dave recovering from a stroke.
- Ben and healing for his mental health.
- Scarlett's recovery from long Covid.
- Katie suffering with epilepsy. Please pray that the right medication be found to control her seizures.

To add names to the prayer list, please contact the Church Office (stleonards_stpeters@btconnect.com) Names will be added to the list by express permission, and only first names will be published.

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