

with St Mary's, Commonweal Road

Providing a spiritual home and resources for the local community

Sunday 13th July 2025

Trinity 4

The Revd. Nitin Shinde will be welcomed at our 8, 9 and 10am services

today

Christ Church

8am Holy Communion – led by the Revd. Canon Simon Stevenette Sermon: the Revd. Nitin Shinde

10am Holy Communion led by the Revd. Canon Simon Stevenette including the Reading in and Declaration of Assent of the Revd. Nitin Shinde

in his Curacy Church

Sermon: the Revd. Nitin Shinde

Theme: 'Loving God in Every Way'

Bible Readings: Colossians 1:1-14; Luke 10:25-37

Reader: Janet French

Prayers: Ailsa Palmer

Download an order of service so you can follow and join in

6.30pm Healing Service – led by Ailsa Palmer

St Mary's

9am Holy Communion – led by the Revd. Canon Simon Stevenette & the Revd. Nitin Shinde

Download our monthly Service Poster for July



Our Prayer for Growth

God of mission, who alone brings growth to your church, Send your Holy Spirit to give vision to our planning,

Wisdom to our actions and power to our witness.

Help all our Partnership churches to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment

to you and in service to our Swindon Community.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Our vision - To be Christ's Church in the community

Morning Provor	0.0.20am Monday, Tuocday, Thursday, and Saturday
Morning Prayer	9-9.30am Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday
	Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel
	9-9.30am Wednesday & Friday virtual morning prayer
	Telephone: <u>08002605903 t</u> o join by phone
	Use this Passcode <u>694043607#</u>
Tuesday 15 th July	7.30pm 'Grace at the Ground Level – Lay Ministry'
	talk by Carol Simmons at St Mark's Church
Wednesday 16th July	10.30am Christ in Quiet
	6pm Evening Prayer
	7pm Fellowship of Faith
Thursday 17 th July	12 noon funeral of Joyce Cook at Kingsdown
	Crematorium
Friday 18 th July	7pm Pilgrims of the Way at St Mary's

Regular Groups – everyone welcome			
'Treasure Together' Spiritual	Monday 12 noon in the Large Meeting Room		
Reflection Group			
Fellowship of Faith	1 st and 3 rd Wednesday 7pm in Christ Church		
Bible Encounter Group	2 nd and 4 th Wednesday 7pm in Christ Church		
'Where Art Thou' Children's Art	Thursday 4pm Term Time only in the Garden Room		
Group			
Iona Worship Group	Every 4 th Friday 11.30am at St Mary's		
Pilgrims of the Way	2 nd and 3 rd Friday 7pm at St Mary's		
Men's Breakfast	Every 1 st Saturday - Morning Prayer in the Lady		
	Chapel at 7.30am followed by breakfast in the		
	Community Centre. To book breakfast please contact		
	Mike Palmer Michael@christchurchswindon.co.uk		
'Paws for Thought' Dog Walking	Every 1 st and 3 rd Saturday 10am stating from Christ		
Group	Church		

Sunday 20 th July – Trinity 5
Christ Church
8am Holy Communion
10am Informal Holy Communion
6.30pm Choral Evensong

St Mary's

9am Holy Communion

Sunday 20th July We are welcoming back to Christ Church The Revd. Guy and Revd. Ruth Donegan Cross to Christ Church on Sunday 20th July 10am. Guy served as a Curate here from 1999-2002. Guy and Ruth are currently serving in the Birmingham Diocese.

Guy has recently published 2 excellent books on discipleship called 'Discipleship: Start this Way' and 'Discipleship: Walk this Way'.

Guy will be preaching on this theme, and his books will be available to buy. I have read them both and they are excellent.

After the service Guy will lead a short seminar to discuss the themes raised and for you to ask any questions.

Please do join us on 20th July - All very welcome. Simon

🕄 Take a Midweek Pause 🕄

Feeling the weight of the week? Come and find peace.

Join us for Evening Prayer every Wednesday at 6:00 PM in the Lady Chapel at Christ Church, Swindon.

A short, reflective service with scripture, stillness, and space to breathe.

- Christ Church, Cricklade Street
- Wednesdays at 6pm
- 🙏 Everyone welcome

"Be still, and know that I am God."

— Psalm 46:10

'Christ Church, Old Town, Swindon – Stained Glass' Have you got your copy of the amazing new book produced by Mike Snow and Janet French about the stained glass in Christ Church yet? Copies are selling fast but you can still purchase one from Janet for a minimum donation of £13. All profits will go to the Stained Glass Window Repair Fund – one of our windows is in urgent need of attention!



I am looking for a very specifically experienced garden turfing person to returf my Swindon old town garden this autumn (Sept/Oct). Garden size approx. 40sq.m, to remove existing turf, supply topsoil and prepare, provide and lay high quality turf. Please apply to Anton @ 0759-909-5546 or email antonhitz@yahoo.co.uk

'Paws for Thought' Group – connecting dogs and their owners together From 5th July Wellness in Grace will be running a new dog walking group from Christ Church starting at 10am every 1st and 3rd Saturday. Everybody welcome and there will be refreshments available afterwards. A great chance to make new 2 legged and 4 legged friends. Further information from wellnessingrace@outlook.com

Our parish administrator Carol is giving a short talk on her vocation to Lay Ministry at St Mark's Church on Tuesday 15th July 7.30pm as part of Swindon New Town Parish's 'Grace at the Ground Level' Series. All welcome to go along. There will be refreshments.

Our New Events Brochure is available in the churches or view it on the website here:

https://www.christchurchswindon.co.uk/events/eventsnewsletter

Stay up to date with upcoming events at Christ Church and the Community Centre by signing up to our new Events News email newsletter at: <u>https://mailchi.mp/c741f2489c2f/events-at-christ-church-and-the-</u> <u>community-centre-swindon</u>

Bible Reading Course Join us on alternate Wednesday evenings as we learn from Paul and Maranda in an in-depth course to make sure we get the most from God's word. The next session is Wednesday 23rd July 7pm in Christ Church. All welcome. Sign up at <u>fellowshipoffaithoutreach@gmail.com</u>

Dates for your diary

Partnership Holiday Club 28th July -2nd August - Cancelled

We're sorry to announce that this year's Children's Holiday Club has been cancelled due to low sign-up numbers. Following our final planning meeting, it was agreed that, at this late stage, it is no longer realistic to hope for a last-minute increase in registrations. We understand this may be disappointing news, especially for those already signed up, and we encourage parents and carers to make alternative childcare arrangements if needed. We're especially grateful to the volunteers who had generously booked time off to help — we

hope this notice gives them time to adjust their plans. Thank you for your understanding and support.



Christ Church with St Mary's Family Weekend at Home beginning on Friday 12th September with a dramatization called 'The Beloved Son' based on Henri Nouwen's spiritual journey and challenges by Alan Harrison. This has been highly reviewed. There will be further events throughout the weekend.

All Saints' Day Saturday 1st November 7.30pm in Christ Church – 'The Grief Opera' by Nigel Lineacre

For your prayers

⁺ Mike Shurmer, John Webb, Martin Hiscock, Ann Sharpe, Pauline Cain, Ali Potter, Pippa Starr, Gordon Hudd, Neville Gray, Adrian Marsh, Anne Espley, Junior and Sybil as they care for their baby Asher born prematurely in the John Radcliffe Hospital and all those in need of God's healing, including those undergoing long term treatment of any kind ⁺ For those who are lonely, anxious, and depressed; those living with longterm medical conditions or mental health issues and all who care for them, that they would all receive strength, support, and peace

⁺ For the families and friends of Joyce Cook, James Cowie, Dorothy Hodgson and all those mourning a loved one

⁺ For peace and reconciliation in the Holy Land and Ukraine, and for those seeking justice and peace in Iran

† For our chosen charities to support this year - Willows Counselling Service, Swindon Humanitarian Aid Partnership, and for Swindon Youth for Christ and Swindon Street Pastors whom we supported by our Partnership Project last year

⁺ For Will Stevenette and Nitin Shinde as they begin their new ministries as Deacon

⁺ For James Davies-Spratt for his formation year training to be a Lay Minister and for all those exploring Licensed Lay Ministry

⁺ All those involved in the Thy Kingdom Come prayer initiative.

⁺ For our pastoral care for members of the congregation and wider Swindon community.

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To find out what we are doing to reduce our impact on the environment and improve biodiversity on site, visit: <u>https://linktr.ee/christchurchswindonecohub</u>

Upcoming Events at Christ Church



Some of Our Fresh Expressions of Church @ Christ Church

