



PENTECOST 24 May 2026

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WELCOME TO OUR INCLUSIVE CHURCH FAMILY

StM&AA's is a member of the Inclusive Church network. We are a church where people are called to come together to explore the mystery of God's love. All of us, without exception, are called by God. A special welcome to all visitors and newcomers. If new, please make sure you pick up a **Welcome Pack** before you leave

PENTECOST

Pentecost Sunday marks the end of the Easter Season, but the beginning of the church as a regional fellowship following the teachings of Jesus. Celebrate the presence of God's Holy Spirit which empowers and enables our community of faith to continue in the footsteps of those before us

VISITATION SERVICE

Our Church Wardens, Patrick and Graham, are being sworn in as the Bishop's officers. Will you support them? The service will be taken by Bishop Steven on **Thursday 21 May, 7.30pm at Christ Church Cathedral**. Refreshments will follow

SAYING "NO" TO ANTI-SEMITISM

Various people have requested that we become more active in sharing support for our Jewish friends and neighbours, particularly by speaking out against the appalling attacks on Jewish life and culture. We would like to be able to help, not knowing quite what that means. I would be grateful if anyone in and around the parish could offer words of advice and support as we would like to stand side by side with the Jewish community at this time.

REMEMBERING BISHOP RICHARD

We were all sad to hear the sudden news of Richard Harries' death last week. Bishop Harries served as Bishop of Oxford for nearly two decades. The Thursday morning book group thought it a good idea to remember Bishop Richard by studying one of his many books. We have decided to read his autobiography, *The Shaping of a Soul*, Christian Alternative Books, 2023. Why not join us from **Thursday 21 May?** All welcome.

CHRISTIAN AID CAKE SALE

Cakes needed for the Christian Aid Sale, **Saturday 30th May, 10am-12 noon**. Please deliver to the Community Arts Centre (former URC), Banbury Rd, between 9.15-10am on Sat 30th. Alternatively, deliver to 77 Lonsdale Rd on Friday 29th of May. If a cake contains nuts or dairy please write this on the label. Thank you, Debbie & Alyson

Christian Aid

Thank you to all those who have helped with the collection for Christian Aid this year. We hope to give you the total ASAP!

ORGAN FUNDRAISING

The sponsor a pipe scheme has started with a fantastic response. You can see a diagram of the potential pipes which you might wish to sponsor in church in the south transept. Individuals, families or neighbourhoods can all club together and choose the pipe

WHY I LIKE ST MICHAEL'S

"... caring and inspirational clergy"

SUNDAYS

10.00 am Parish Eucharist

1st Sunday: All-Age Family Eucharist
2nd Sunday: Sung Eucharist from the High Altar, including the ministry of healing

6.30pm Taizé

In the Lady Chapel

3pm Monthly Pavilion Serve

1st Sunday of every month (except Aug) at Cutteslowe Park, NOA pavilion

WEEKDAYS

9.00 am Morning Prayer

Monday–Friday, in the Lady Chapel

Food & Friendship

Every Monday Evening 5–6pm

Ukrainian Friendship Centre

Every Wednesday 11am–2pm

Choir Practice

Thursdays 6.30–7.45pm

Contact Duncan Saunderson
dstdsaunderson@googlemail.com

Men's Breakfast

1st Saturday of the month, 8.30am
Contact Steve Hunter – 01865 552475

FOR CHILDREN

Godly Play

Every 3rd Sunday of the month for primary school-age children

St Michael's Choristers (Age 3+)

Practice Thursdays in church in term-time at 5.30pm and sing on the 1st Sunday of the month Contact Alice – 07791 328108

Baby & Toddler Group

Tuesdays 10.00–12.00 noon. Play for children and chat for carers. Contact Juliet – 01865 552640

FOR STUDY

Book Group

Meets during various seasons on Thursdays at 10am in the Threshold