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## Three Congregations: One God, One Parish

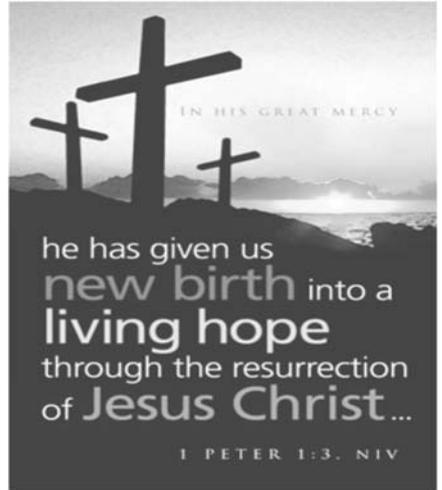
**Our Rector, Rev David Tyler,  
writes this month...**

*Dear friends,*

Happy Easter! I recently visited a class of school children and we were talking about Holy Week and Easter. I explained to them that an Easter Egg is supposed to have a profile that reminds us of the stone that was rolled away from Jesus' tomb. A child said to me that they didn't think that the profile of an egg was very much like a stone outside a tomb. I said "I have to agree!" I don't think it looks much like it either (apologies to those of you who do). I think that the egg is a much better symbol of new life. The children recently had some eggs hatch in school and so this made much more sense to them too.

Easter is all about new life. At this time of year we see the lambs in the fields, flowers beginning to show, leaves unfolding, bulbs flowering. This is a time of new birth and Christians celebrate Jesus' resurrection at this time of year remembering his resurrection just after the Passover celebrations. Christians remember the empty tomb, the folded grave clothes, the angels and the risen Lord

## "NEW LIFE"



Jesus. They also remember the profound transformation Jesus' resurrection had on the disciples.

This is a time of new birth, there is no better time to celebrate the resurrection, which is all about new birth

– the re-birth of Jesus and the new birth he offers us after we die.

I hope and pray that you enjoy a blessed Easter and may know the joy of this season. And I hope you enjoy an egg or two.

With love and best wishes.

*David*

# April 2018



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**<http://www.hanboroughparish.co.uk/>**

Don't forget to visit the Hanborough Parish Website, where you can find further information on what is happening in your parish.

## Parish News Contributions

Please do support your local Parish News by letting us know what you or your group have been doing recently. Please submit news, articles, adverts for future events, poems, jokes, etc for the next issue to the Editor, Zoë Preston (Tel 886637), by **12th February 2018**.

By Email: parishnews@hanboroughparish.co.uk  
Or by post to: 63 Church Road, Long Hanborough, Oxon, OX29 8JF

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# We've been looking everywhere for you



## **JOB OPPORTUNITIES IN WITNEY (APRIL 2018)**

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Due to internal promotions and growth, Open Doors is looking for passionate, talented people to help meet the growing needs of the persecuted church. Please see our website for more details about each role.

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# Forthcoming Events & News

## Easter 3-day Course for Young Choristers

**9th—11th April**

At Oxford, Exeter and Lincoln Colleges.

[www.rscm-oxford.org.uk/eastercourse18.htm](http://www.rscm-oxford.org.uk/eastercourse18.htm)

## St Mary's Spring Clean

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> April**

Do join us for a Spring Clean at St Mary's on Saturday 21st April where we will be tidying up and cleaning inside the church and in the churchyard.

## Exegesis group

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> April**

The next meeting of the Exegesis group will be at 8pm on Thursday 26th April at 38 Millwood End when we will study John 6:16-end. All are welcome but please speak to David before you come.

## Confirmation Service 2018

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2018**

There will be a Confirmation Service in our Benefice on Sunday 29th April 2018 at 10am. If you would like to be confirmed please speak to David or Emma.

## Quiz Night—Fundraising for Hannah's gap year

**Friday 18th May, 7pm**

Hannah is organising a **quiz night** at the pavilion on from 7.00pm till 10.30pm. There will be more details to follow (see also opposite page)

## Walk the Country with Christian Aid

**Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2018**

5, 10 or 15 mile walks between Henley and Nettlebed. More information:

[www.christianaid.org.uk/events/walk-country](http://www.christianaid.org.uk/events/walk-country)

## A couple of dates for your diary...

**Monday 30th July to Friday 3rd August**

Holiday Bible Club will be over the first full week of the Summer Holidays which is Monday 30th July to Friday 3rd August. This year we will be at Freeland school. Do keep the week free if you can.

**Saturday 9th June**

We will be holding another Ladies Quiet Day for the Benefice and have been fortunate to get The Revd Canon Dr Margaret Whipp, Senior Chaplain for the Oxford Hospitals, to lead our day for us. We will be meeting at Ripon College again this year. Further details after Easter, but put the date in your diary now!

## Please Pray For...

- ◆ Please pray for Jeremy, Tom and Alice (and Joshua and Peter) leading Ski Venture.
- ◆ Pray for our trip to Spring Harvest.
- ◆ For those unwell and recovering, including Pat Jones, Jack Allen, Lillimor Eagle (Suzy Boardman's sister), David Knight, Ann Townsend and Gemma (Dorothy Allen's Granddaughter), Beryl McNaughton, Rev Charles Chadwick, Mark Richardson, Robin Stockton, Richard Balding and Christopher Aitichison.
- ◆ Pray for those recently bereaved.



### Prayers For Our Community



The churches in Hanborough will be focusing some of their prayers on the community and will be praying for a part of the villages' community each month.

The focus of prayer for April is **Hurdeswell, Millwood Vale and Slatters Court.**

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## EXCITING CHANCE TO SERVE GOD... AND A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY!

It has been my desire for some years to take a gap year between school and university, and I am very excited that I have been selected for the Baptist Missionary Society's gap year programme. By the time you read this I will know where I am going and what I will be doing, which I will detail on my JustGiving page <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/hannahsgapyear>.

The program entails a month's training in the UK, six months mission work overseas, followed by two months touring in the UK.

As part of my fundraising I am holding a **quiz night** at the pavilion on **Friday 18 May** 7.00-10.30pm, hosted by Dave Dobson (thanks Dave!). There will be more details to follow, but I hope you will come and support me and have a fun night too.



*Hannah Gundry*

# babies and toddlers

Every Wednesday at St. Mary's Church, Freeland



Contact:  
Alice Harden on 886833  
or David Tyler on 881270

## Lilies for Easter At St Peter & St Paul's Church

If you would like to contribute towards the flowers for Easter and in particular make a contribution towards the Easter Lilies in someone's memory, would you kindly let *Jane Rogers* have your donations.  
(24 Millwood End or Tel: 881292)

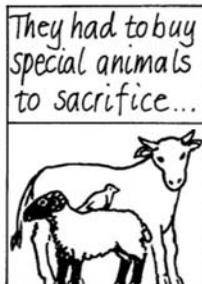
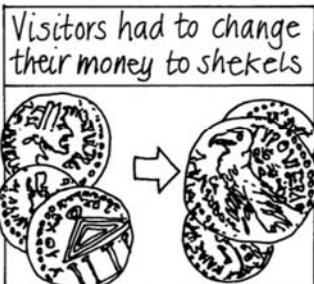
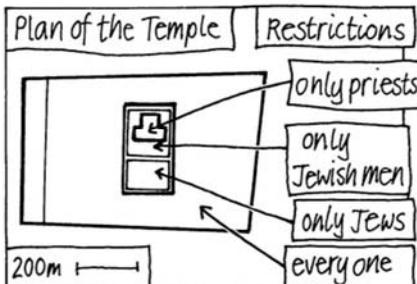


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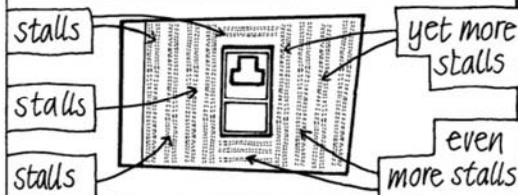
A short story from the Bible

It can be read in the Bible in  
Mt 21:12-16, Mk 11:15-18, Lk 19:45-48

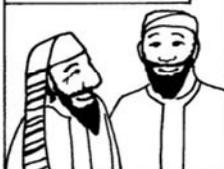
When Jesus reached Jerusalem he went to the Temple, built as a place where everyone could worship God, but with restrictions...



and the stalls filled the only place that non-Jews could come to worship God



The chief priests had no problem with this...



but it made Jesus very angry...



so he drove them out





## The choir with a difference

Witney Inter-Church Singers (WICS) is a choir of around 50 voices drawn from many churches in the area, churches of all denominations. We have two concerts each year, one at Christmas and one in the summer; in addition, we take part in the massed choirs at the Royal Albert Hall in Prom Praise. So what makes this choir different? As well as enjoying fellowship and the pure joy of singing and learning to improve as singers, we aim to promote our faith by singing the Good News. Our performances are entirely Christian-based.

We practise on Wednesday evenings at the Congregational Church in town. Most of our singing is in four-part harmony and it certainly helps if members can read music but that is not essential. We are always ready to welcome new members – men are especially welcome because, as with most choirs, they are in comparatively short supply.

If you would like to know more about our choir, or if you are interested in joining, please contact Shirley Enoch on 01993 771452 or by email: [geoffandshirley.enoch@ntlworld.com](mailto:geoffandshirley.enoch@ntlworld.com)

**[www.witneyinterchurchsingers.org.uk](http://www.witneyinterchurchsingers.org.uk)**

Further details can be obtained from *Denise Ball* or *Sarah Lindon*, both of whom are members of our congregations and this choir.

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## Desk space to rent at our offices

Do you need space to work, study or run a business in central Oxford?

The international Christian children's charity **Viva** is looking to hire out desk space in our offices just off the Cowley Road. The open plan office is light and airy, has a car park, shared kitchen facilities and access to Wi-Fi and photocopier. Our desk rental clients feel at home as part of a shared workspace and we often have bring-and-share lunches together. We have two small meeting rooms and a conference room which desk rental clients can book. Rates are negotiable and part-time rentals available. Please contact Cian: [c.stavers@viva.org](mailto:c.stavers@viva.org) or 01865 811660.



As always, do get in touch if your church would like to find out more about Viva's work with children in Oxford and worldwide – we'd love to tell you more!

## Local Vacancies

### ***A Rocha International — Bookkeeper & Fundraising Assistant***

A Rocha International, a Christian organization engaging communities in nature conservation, is recruiting for an experienced Bookkeeper and Fundraising Assistant. The post is 18.5 hours per week (0.5 FTE) and will ideally be based in Oxford. The closing date for applications is 20 April 2018.

For more details please visit [arocha.org/bookkeeper](http://arocha.org/bookkeeper)

### ***Chaplain based at The Homestead, Carterton***

Would you like to make a positive contribution to benefit older people?

Spiritual well-being - rather than religious affiliation or belief - as a universal need is a cornerstone of MHA's positive approach to ageing and we aim to provide the highest quality care and support for older people of all faiths and none.

We are looking for a person who is in good standing with their faith community to take the role of chaplain (a lay person or an ordained minister). They will build good working relationships with local faith communities and take on pastoral care, spiritual and worship aspects of life.

An empathetic understanding of spiritual aspects of ageing and dementia, demonstrated through experience of providing pastoral care and, ideally, leading services, is essential.

Available Hours: Permanent - Part Time - 25 hours per week.

Location: Carterton

Salary: £21,202 pro rata from 1st April 2018 (£20,587 pro rata before April)

Job reference: REQ003947

Application closing date: 08/04/2018

<https://www.mha.org.uk/>

### ***The Kings School — Infant School Teacher***

The King's School in Witney have a vacancy for an infant school teacher. More information [www.tkswitney.org.uk/contact/staff-vacancies](http://www.tkswitney.org.uk/contact/staff-vacancies)

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## Request for volunteers



Could you co-ordinate the Christian Aid collection in Hanborough?

For further information please speak to David or Val Richens.

## Some Useful Contact Details

Rector: **The Reverend David Tyler** – 881270  
The Rectory, Swan Lane, Long Hanborough OX29 8BT  
Email: rector@hanboroughparish.co.uk  
(Rev David Tyler normally takes his day off on a Saturday, unless there is a wedding.)

**For Baptisms/Funerals** – contact Rev David Tyler

**For Weddings** – first contact organist Margaret Stringer – 882112  
Fornsete, 23 Pigeon House Lane, Freeland

Church Wardens: **Clive Berry** – 882080  
Email: clive@BerryPalantir.me.uk  
**Richard Wilkins** – 882482  
Email: margaretandrichard.wilkins@hotmail.co.uk

PCC Secretary: **Susan Sugden** – 881522  
Email: pccsecretary@hanboroughparish.co.uk

Curates: **Rev Sue Spankie** – 01993 706469  
Email: revsue@gst.org.uk  
**Rev Emma Hopegood Jones** – 881936  
Email: curate\_emma@hanboroughparish.co.uk

Licensed Lay Ministers: **Hugh Dalton** – 881742  
**Clive Berry** – 882080

Lay Pastoral Assistant **Peter Langley** – 883775

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## Recent Marriages, Baptisms & Deaths in our Benefice

### Hanborough

No weddings.

No baptisms.

No funerals.

Ashes interment:

Joan Knapp - 20th January 2018

### Freeland

No weddings.

No baptisms.

No funerals.

Ashes interment:

Jean Johnson - 8th February 2018

# Regular Church Events

**Monthly Prayer Time:** 1st Wednesday at the Rectory 8pm. All welcome.

**Commuters Prayer Time:** Fridays 6.45–7.15am, 74A Church Road (358212).

**Hanborough Lunch Club:** Meets in Christchurch between 12.45pm and 2.15pm on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of every month for a two-course meal followed by tea or coffee for £4. Please contact Carol Bower (881930) if you would like to join.

**Drop-in Coffee Morning:** Tuesdays 10–11am, Christ Church. Tea/coffee, home-made cakes. All are welcome.

**Men's Beer & Curry:** All men welcome; it involves talks from speakers or watching a DVD, some of which have a Christian theme; good home delivery curry on offer. It is also simply a chance for men to socialise! For details contact Robin Feast (882897 or rifeast@aol.com).

**Ladies' Pizza & Wine:** A social evening for ladies, arranged every few months, usually a Friday. Contact Zoë Preston (886637).

**Cycle Ride (35–50 miles):** Saturdays 8am, starting from 65 Marlborough Crescent. Contact Simon & Wendy Gundry (358212).

## Home Groups (term-time only)

### Tuesday

2pm at 113 Broadmarsh Lane, Freeland – contact Peter Langley (883775)

8pm at a venue in Hanborough or Freeland – contact Emma Young (883345)

8pm at 74a Church Road – contact Wendy Gundry (358212).

### Wednesday

8pm at a venue in Long Hanborough – contact Robin Feast (882897)

### Thursday — Ladies' Daytime Bible Study Group

12.45pm at the Lindon's home. Contact Susan Sugden or Sarah Lindon.

### Friday — The Fellowship Group

Meets once a month at 7.30pm at various venues (usually the first Friday of every month) – contact Robin Stockton (882361)

**Exegesis group** meets every 5 weeks (or so) – contact David Tyler  
for more details (881270)

## Young People's Groups (term-time only)

**Wayfarers & Focus:** Sunday School for children aged 3–16 years, which meets term-time most Sundays at the Manor School. Contact Zoë Dobson (880161).

**Crèche:** For babies and toddlers is run most Sundays at the Manor School.

**Toddlers @ St Mary's:** Wednesdays at 10–11.30am. See page 8 for more info.

**Hitchhikers:** Sundays 7.00–8.30pm in the Methodist Chapel. All 11+ year olds are welcome. Contact Emma Hopegood Jones (881936).

# April 2018 Services

## ***Hanborough***

1st ***Easter Sunday***

April	09.45	Holy Communion for Easter Sunday (Rev Emma Hopegood Jones and Rev David Tyler)	St Peter & St Paul
	10.00	Morning Worship	Manor School
8th	10.00	Holy Communion with baptism (Rev Emma Hopegood Jones and Rev John Underwood)	St Peter & St Paul
	10.00	Holy Communion (Rev Nigel Knights Johnson)	Manor School
	18.00	Evening Prayer	Christ Church
15th	08.00	Holy Communion (Rev David Tyler)	St Peter & St Paul
	10.00	Worship Together	Manor School
	10.00	Morning Prayer	Christ Church
	18.00	Compline (Rev David Tyler)	Christ Church
22nd	10.00	Holy Communion (Rev David Tyler and Rev Emma Hopegood Jones)	St Peter & St Paul
	10.00	Morning Worship	Manor School
	18.00	Evening Prayer (Rev David Tyler)	Christ Church
29th	10.00	Holy Communion with Confirmation (Rev David Tyler, Rev Emma Hopegood Jones and Rev Sue Spankie)	St Peter & St Paul
6th	08.00	Holy Communion (Rev David Tyler)	St Peter & St Paul
May	10.00	Morning Worship (Rev Emma Hopegood Jones)	Manor School
	18.00	BCP Holy Communion (Rev David Tyler)	Christ Church

## ***St Mary the Virgin, Freeland***

1st ***Easter Day***

April	11.15	Family Service for Easter Sunday (Rev David Tyler and Rev Sue Spankie)
8th	08.00	Holy Communion (Rev Charles Chadwick)
15th	10.00	Holy Communion with baptism and Junior Church (Rev David Tyler)
22nd	08.00	Holy Communion (Rev David Tyler)
6th	10.00	Family Service with baptism (Rev David Tyler)
May		

