



ST. MARGARET, BINSEY ♦  
ST. FRIDESWIDE, OSNEY

ST. PETER & ST. PAUL, BOTLEY ♦  
ST. LAWRENCE, NORTH HINKSEY

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# NOTICES

7<sup>th</sup> February 2021

## Second Sunday before Lent

Readings for this Sunday:

Proverbs 8: 1, 22-31

Psalm 104: 26-end

[Colossians 1.15-20]

John 1: 1-14

### The Prayer for this Week

Almighty God,  
you have created the heavens and the earth  
and made us in your own image:  
teach us to discern your hand in all your works  
and your likeness in all your children;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

St Paul's letter to the Colossians sets out for us the place Jesus has in the great economy of the life of God and His world. It is a wonderful exposition of the life of the Trinity of God, with Jesus having pre-eminence – the first born of all creation, with all things being created through him and for him. Through Jesus' death on the cross God has chosen to reconcile all things to himself – heavenly things and earthly things. That means for us that everything is held together in Christ – he is, if you like, the spider of the centre of the web of life.

This gives the Church the focus of our mission – reconciliation in all its forms. No reconciliation is complete without us being in fellowship with our Creator. Every act of reconciliation is an expression of the Kingdom of God in our midst.

Many of us work and pray for reconciliation in various ways. Just thinking my way round our congregations, I can think of those who pray and campaign through Amnesty International; the local mental health charity, Restore; Oxford and Bicester Home Start charity; Christian Climate Action. There are those of us working for reconciliation within our own homes, in communities, families, and organisations.

For us to be effective agents of God's reconciling love in the world we need to pray with the Collect set for this Sunday that we will be able to: '*discern your likeness in all your children*'. When we can see the divine life in all of creation and in our fellow human beings, then that gives energy and purpose to our work of reconciliation, both at a practical level and a spiritual level. The Bishop's *Come and See* invitation is one way we can invite people to come and discover for themselves how reconciliation with God brings life and joy and peace. So, if you know anyone who is enquiring about the faith, please direct them to this on-line course and via Kate or me and we will get them signed up.

Clare

## Lent across the Benefice

**Lent** begins with Ash Wednesday on 17<sup>th</sup> February and there will be a Zoom Eucharist for Ash Wednesday, hosted by St. Peter and St. Paul at 9.30am and an in-person service at St. Frideswide at 7.30pm. We regret that due to Covid restrictions there will be no 'ashing' this year.

Lent is a time for reflection and study in preparation for the celebrations of Easter. This year there will be two opportunities to join study courses:

- Starting **on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30pm**, North Hinksey parish will be following a five-week course entitled '**Glimpses of God – Hope for Today's World**' via Zoom.

The course booklet, written by Canon David Winter, includes questions aimed at provoking wide-ranging discussion. The participants on the course audio are the Rt Hon. Shirley Williams, Archbishop Stephen Cottrell, and Revd Professor David Wilkinson. The Revd Lucy Winkett provides the Closing Reflection at the end of each session.

More details about the session titles and format of the course can be found at: <https://www.yorkcourses.co.uk/product/glimpses-of-god-hope-for-todays-world>. Please sign up with Clare or John if you would like to participate. The Zoom link will be published next week.

- St Frideswide parish will be reflecting on the Archbishop of Canterbury's Lent Book for this year, **Living His Story - Revealing the Extraordinary Love of God in Ordinary Ways** by Hannah Steele. Please contact Kate for a Zoom link.

## **General Notices**

### **St Frideswide with Binsey**

#### **Reflection group: Mondays 8pm – 9pm**

During the current lock-down we would like to try meeting more often.

We've therefore decided to meet on the following Mondays Feb 8<sup>th</sup> and Feb 15<sup>th</sup>

We'll use the Sykes book and send out pdfs

Please contact Jo ([joanna.poulton@wrh.ox.ac.uk](mailto:joanna.poulton@wrh.ox.ac.uk)) or Anne Andrews ([annendrews@googlemail.com](mailto:annendrews@googlemail.com)) if you would like to be put on the circulation list. We are delighted to welcome newcomers and anyone wanting to join for a single or a handful of meetings. Quaker rules apply, no need to say anything.

### **North Hinksey with Botley**

**Paying in cheques:** our local Barclays branch has closed and it is now more time-consuming to pay money into the PCC's account. If you are thinking of making a donation to the church or need to make a payment to us for any other reason, please use on-line banking if possible. (contact John Clements for our account details) or use the link to our giving page [North Hinksey with Botley Giving Page](#) Either will save us time and stress. Thank you, John Clements.

**Worship at Home and in Church**  
**Worship this week – Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> February**

Sunday:	St. Frideswide:	8.30am BCP HC in person
	St Peter & St Paul:	9.30 am Eucharist <i>on zoom</i>
	St. Frideswide:	10.30am Eucharist in person
	St Frideswide:	5.00pm Evening worship <i>on zoom</i>
Monday:	St Peter & St Paul:	9.30am Morning Prayer <i>on zoom</i>
Wednesday:	St Peter & St Paul:	9.30am Eucharist <i>on zoom</i>
Friday:	St Peter & St Paul:	9.30am Morning Prayer <i>on zoom</i>

**See below for the zoom links**

**Online Worship**

**Sundays:**

**9.30am** The Eucharist via Zoom hosted by St. Peter and St. Paul. Contact Clare. Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/82160489790?pwd=aHBZanlDUHdrcmtpeXRBZXNiRGtwQT09>

Meeting ID: 821 6048 9790      Passcode: 41Q3i2

**5.00pm** Evening Prayer via Zoom, hosted by St Frideswide, Contact Kate

**Mondays:**

**9.30am** Morning Prayer via Zoom contact John Clements

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/77244551882?pwd=RFZNYW9zaUZQb1swSE5TR0VTOXBPUT09>

Meeting ID: 772 4455 1882      Passcode: 8rgsT2

**Wednesdays:**

**9.30am** The Eucharist via Zoom hosted by St. Peter and St. Paul. Contact Clare. Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/87361180196?pwd=aW1SNS8zbHJ5c3V4ZIRGK25McXBDQT09>

Meeting ID: 873 6118 0196      Passcode: TG19dV

**Fridays:**

**9.30am** Morning Prayer via Zoom contact Clare

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/84176800013?pwd=OTFYQmwzRTEwOVNxUTRCcnpLMmtSQT09>

Meeting ID: 841 7680 0013      Passcode: CL3YtN

For the Zoom Eucharist, the text is attached and is also available in hard copy from porch at St. Peter and St. Paul. If you would like a hard copy, but do not want to come out to collect it, please let Clare know and we can deliver one to you.

**If you can get on-line and would like help to get Zoom set up, *please* ask one of us.**

For members of St Frideswide's congregation our WhatsApp daily prayer will continue, please ask Kate to be added to the group.

**Church at Home service every Sunday at 10am** <https://www.oxford.anglican.org/coronavirus-covid-19-2/livestream/>

The '**Daily Hope Line**'. Is a free phone line: 0800 804 8044. This has been set up particularly for those who are unable to join any on-line church services.

**YouTube channel for the Osney Benefice** can be found at [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCXJ99\\_EwpRaLL\\_dtCH4HoPg?view\\_as=subscriber](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCXJ99_EwpRaLL_dtCH4HoPg?view_as=subscriber).

If you are participating in on-line worship, here is a prayer that you can use when the elements of bread and wine are shared:

Come into my heart, Lord Jesus.

May all that is you flow into me.

May your body and blood be my food and drink.

May your passion and death be my strength and life.

Jesus, with you by my side enough has been given.

May the shelter I seek be the shadow of your cross.

Let me not run from the love which you offer but hold me safe from the forces of evil.

On each of my dyings shed your light and your love.

Keep calling to me until that day comes when with your saints, I may praise you for ever.

Amen.

### **Daily Prayer and Readings for Week Commencing Monday 8<sup>th</sup> February**

<b>Mon:</b>	Psalm 30; Ecclesiastes 7.1-14; John 19.1-16
<b>Tues:</b>	Psalm 36; Ecclesiastes 7.15-end; John 19.17-30
<b>Wed:</b>	Psalm 34; Ecclesiastes 8; John 19.31-end
<b>Thurs:</b>	Psalm 37; Ecclesiastes 9; John 20.1-10
<b>Fri:</b>	Psalm 31; Ecclesiastes 11.1-8; John 20.11-18
<b>Sat:</b>	Psalm 42; Ecclesiastes 11.9-end of 12; John 20.19-end

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