Notices: 28th November

Advent Sunday: Sunday 28th November

8am – Holy Communion from the Book of Common Prayer 10am – Parish Eucharist with Forest Sunday School 6pm – Advent Carol Service

2nd Sunday of Advent: Sunday 5th December

8am – Holy Communion from the Book of Common Prayer 10am – Parish Eucharist with Forest Sunday School 6pm – Plainchant Evensong

Midweek Services

Mondays at 9am— Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel. Tuesdays at 10am—Tots Service Wednesdays at 10am—Holy Communion Thursdays at 8.30pm—Prayers for Hope and Healing (via Zoom)

Funerals in church this week

Wednesday 1st December 1pm: Samantha Kent Thursday 2nd December 12noon: Marian Simmons

The Advent Circle flowers have been kindly given by Janet Lever, in loving memory of her husband Peter D'Arcy Lever.

Fairtrade in the Market

This is a joint enterprise set up between Headington Fairtrade (started by 3 members of our congregation!) and Fairtrade at St. Michaels. It is a pop-up shop in The Covered Market in Oxford and will be there till the end of February. If you're in Oxford please call in. This is our response to the pandemic which has affected our producers far harder than it has us as they have limited access to medical care and vaccines. Rachel Walding.

WI Coffee Morning at The Coach House

Friday 3rd December 10am- 12 noon. You are warmly invited by Quarry WI. Tea, Coffee and Cake and a Chat.

New Year Philosophy Course

Richard Churchill is offering to run an informal Philosophy Course for beginners, starting in the new year. Sessions to take place over Zoom,

one evening a fortnight (day to be confirmed but I am unavailable Thursday evenings) and lasting 60 minutes. The proposed time of 7:30 pm, but can be earlier or later depending on when people are available. The format for the session will be an introductory short lecture explaining the philosopher and their idea which will be the theme of the session. Following this, I will open up the discussion to everyone and they can ask questions and open up the topic for debate. I would prefer to keep things as informal as possible, but I can provide some recommended reading for the topics I'm discussing should this be wanted by anyone.

The first few sessions will be discussing the ideas of the pre-Socratic thinkers; Anaximander (and the Apeiron), Heraclitus (chaos & order), Zeno (paradoxes). Following this moving on through into the Classical thinkers; Plato (rule of philosopher-kings, concept of the forms and true knowledge), Aristotle (teleological ethics and the concept of eudaimonia), Epicurus (happiness & fear), Stoicism (rationalizing emotions, and Stoic concepts of pre-determinism). Then move on to the Medieval thinkers of St. Augustine, St. Anselm, Aquinus, Boethius, and Ockham, looking more deeply at Platonic and Aristotelian concepts and their evolution into Christian concepts during this time. After this, I am happy to move sessions into whichever direction people would like to me cover, or I can continue to plan sessions and move through philosophers in chronological order as before. Please get in touch via Laura (vicar@hthq.uk) if you would like to take part and we will agree on a suitable date and time.

St Andrew's Day: Tuesday 30th November

You are warmly invited to celebrate St Andrew's Day at either of these services taking place locally: 6pm: Eucharist at Magdalen College Chapel. Preacher: Revd Dr Laura Biron-Scott 7.30pm: Festal Eucharist at St Andrew's Headington. Preacher: The Most Revd John McDowell, Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of All Ireland

Thursday Lunch Club (TLC)

Do you enjoy cooking? TLC which provides home cooked lunches twice a month for the elderly in the Headington area would like to find some more cooks. Our present cooks are wonderful, but more support for them would be welcome. It is a friendly community and the guests very much appreciate the lunches and the company. So please give this a thought and see whether you might be able to help. Also TLC has a free raffle and if you have unwanted gifts biscuits, chocolates, jam, etc are very much appreciated- which you would be happy to donate, Katya Drummond is happy to collect. Please contact Katya Drummond Tel 07547 649612 or katya@shotover.net

Headington Action Christmas Markets

December 4th 4.30pm – 5.30pm Christmas tree Lights switch-on by the Lord Mayor of Oxford, with mince pies, wine soft drinks and community singing round the Christmas tree. An extra Christmas Market will take place on Wednesday December 22nd 9am – 2pm.

Climate Conversations

You're invited to join conversations about how we as individuals and a church community can help combat climate change. These will take place in November in small friendly groups, both home and Zoom-based, and all are very welcome. Hot drinks, biscuits and cake are provided when in person. Please get in touch with Hilary Rollin or Jan McLeod for further information: *Hilary: <u>hisrollin@gmail.com</u> / Tel: 761545, Jan: <u>m@cleods.co.uk</u> / Tel: 768965*

Newsletter

The latest newsletter edition has been sent out to our mailing list! We are still on the lookout for an editor and administrator for the newsletter on a longer term basis. Please consider if you or someone you know has the time and skills to help with this important area of church communications.

Celebrating our building plans! We give thanks for the progress made so far in our church building restoration and development work. Two years since our last fundraising appeal, we have now launched another appeal, in what we hope to be the final push towards reaching our target figure (£600,000 in round figures). We invite you all to consider whether and how you can contribute to this final appeal, so that we can complete the work in 2022. Please continue to hold our project and plans in your prayers.

Fundraising Auction in January

Please save the date for our next fundraising event – an auction in

the Village Hall on **Saturday 29th January at 7.30pm**. Please take a flyer with more information about how you can help.

Holy Trinity Headington Quarry

An open door between heaven and earth, showing God's love to all.

Contact us Vicar: Revd Dr Laura Biron-Scott vicar@hthq.uk 01865 762835 Associate Priest: Revd Prof Rob Gilbert associatepriest@hthq.uk Parish Office: office@hthq.uk 01865 762931 Churchwardens: wardens@hthq.uk Website: www.hthq.org.uk