

# ST ANDREW'S CHURCH, SANDFORD ON THAMES

July 2024

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## SUMMER Party

### THANK YOU SO MUCH

To Clive and Carole for organising and hosting the church BBQ in their garden – it was a memorably lovely evening.

To Ali's friends for cooking the splendid Iranian supper for us all in celebration of Ali's visa

To Diana and friends, for giving us so much wonderful music on a summer evening.

### AND WELCOME TO

Josh Stenner, ordained Deacon on 29<sup>th</sup> June, who will be serving as curate at Littlemore church.



Josh studied to become a psychotherapist, and worked as a police officer and project manager before completing three years' theological study at Wycliffe Hall in Oxford

### AND TO

Felicity Blair, who will be preaching here on Sunday July 14<sup>th</sup>.

A musical evening of **Apples and Almonds** In Littlemore church on **Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> July at 7.0**  
£8 advance ([WeGotTickets.com](http://WeGotTickets.com)) or £12 on the door

## CHORAL EVENSONG

with  
GREEN SERMON

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July  
at 6.30 p.m.



### BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

If you would like to include the name of someone to be remembered each year on their anniversary, please contact John.



An afternoon of celebration, fun and food for the whole family with input from various groups in the community, including the local primary school

2024  
**SANDFORD SUMMER Festival**  
Free Entry  
20 JULY 1PM - 7PM  
MUSICAL PERFORMANCES FROM  
**WATT 4**  
**THE JUBILEE BRASS BAND**  
OPEN MIC ACOUSTIC TENT  
ARENA PERFORMANCES & ACTIVITIES  
**FAMILY FUN DOG SHOW**  
Strawberry Fayre Majorettes  
KIDS' RACES & TUG OF WAR  
THE THIRSTY QUEEN'S PUB ON THE GREEN  
PIMMS TENT, TEA & CAKES, ICE CREAMS, BBQ, MIDDLE EASTERN CUISINE  
CHURCH RAFFLE, FAIRGROUND RIDES, CLASSIC CARS AND LOTS MORE.....  
WE'LL BE SUPPORTING HOME START UK AS OUR CHOSEN CHARITY ALONG WITH OTHER LOCAL CHARITIES & ST ANDREWS CHURCH, SOT  
T.J. HALL & SON LTD PROUDLY SPONSORS THIS EVENT  
ALTHOUGH THIS EVENT IS FREE, WE RELY ON THE GENEROSITY OF LOCAL BUSINESSES AND INDIVIDUALS ALIKE TO ENSURE THIS COMMUNITY EVENT CAN CONTINUE. WE THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR SUPPORT

### VALE HOUSE ART EXHIBITION

A year ago, Vale House residents had an exhibition called **There is No Door, Yet There are Many Windows** at OVADA Gallery in Oxford, featuring the amazing art and memories of our residents made over 3 years with Art therapist Georgia Arben-Crowther. The windows will be **on display in the St Andrew's Church from 5<sup>th</sup> July to 22<sup>nd</sup> July.**

### Young People's Photographic Competition 2024 "My Sandford-on-Thames"

Our Village Hall is hosting a new photographic competition this summer for young people living in and around Sandford. For details see church porch noticeboard.

### COMMUNITY LUNCH at Talking Shop Next one 10<sup>th</sup> July 12.30 – 2.0

A delicious three course lunch cooked by volunteers to save food waste. Pay what you can. No need to book.

### AFTERNOON TEAS in the Village Hall on the first Wednesday of the month:

Next one: 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2.0 – 4.0 Cost £4. Join us by booking at [pruereynolds96@gmail.com](mailto:pruereynolds96@gmail.com)

## SUNDAYS in July 2024 Year B

### Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July Trinity 6, Proper 9

#### 10.0 a.m. Parish Communion

Ezekiel 2.1-5 *The prophet is sent to address a nation that has broken its covenant with God.*

2 Corinthians 12.2-10 *Paul tells of his vision of heaven but says his spiritual strength is not the point.*

*God's power is revealed in the impotence of Jesus' crucifixion. All depends on God.*

Mark 6.1-13 *Jesus is rejected in his home town. They know him and can't believe he's so special.*

*He then sends the 12 out to teach and heal, accepting both hospitality and rejection. They do it.*

#### 6.30 p.m. Evening prayer

### Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July Trinity 7, Proper 10

#### 10.0 a.m. Parish Communion.

Amos 7.7-15 *The prophet's visual aid presages the destruction of the Northern Kingdom of Israel.*

*The established church objects and tells him to go back home. But he has his orders from God.*

Ephesians 1.3-14 *A glorious introduction to the letter, praising God and recalling all the main themes of Christian faith and what these mean for us who are 'in Christ', having accepted the good news and joined up.*

Mark 6.14-29 *The murder of John the Baptizer by Herod junior.*

#### 6.30 p.m. CHORAL EVENSONG with Green Sermon

### Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> July Trinity 8, Proper 11

#### 10.0 a.m. Parish Communion

Jeremiah 23.1-6 *The prophet expresses God's criticism of bad political rulers. But God will gather a remnant of his people and bring them back to their homes destroyed by war. There will be good leaders soon, and a son of David who will establish justice in the land.*

Ephesians 2.11-22 *Paul tells his non-Jewish converts that they have been made part of God's people.*

*Christ is our peace. He has broken down the barriers separating people, reconciling us all to God.*

Mark 6.30-4 and 53-6 *The 12 missionaries return and report to Jesus.*

*They need a rest, but people's needs come first. Jesus continues his work which is God's work.*

#### 6.30 p.m. Evening prayer

### Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July Trinity 9, Proper 12

#### 10.0 a.m. Parish Communion

Ephesians 3.14-21 *Paul prays for us to be strengthened in our faith.*

John 6.1-21 *The feeding of the 5,000 leads people to want Jesus as their*

*political leader, i.e. to lead a rebellion against the Roman empire occupying their country. A strange thing happens as the disciples are crossing the sea (lake) of Galilee. Was it a vision of Jesus, anticipating the resurrection as the previous verses (5.1-9) look forward to the eucharist?*

#### 6.30 p.m. Evening prayer

Grant to us, Lord,  
we beseech thee,  
the spirit to think and do always  
such things as be rightful;  
that we, who cannot do any thing  
that is good without thee,  
may by thee be enabled  
to live according to thy will;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

*BCP collect for Trinity 9*

**Among the many local people who need our prayers, please especially keep in mind**

all those we know who are unwell, including Gwen Beaver, Martyn Akrigg,  
John Bardwell and the other residents of Vale House, and those who work there.

And we also pray for Sue Sabini's daughter **Sian, and for Jack**, who will be married in this church in August.