

Activities and Dates

Across this month please pray for:

The appointment process for a new Vicar—pray for those who have been shortlisted and for Bishop Tim, Archdeacon Richard, our churchwardens and the Simeon's Trustees as they interview across 18th and 19th October.

Alpha launch on Oct 14th and start of course on October 17th.

- 1-5 Assemblies week—see box
- 7 Scramblers' Tea Party
- 14 Alpha launch—Jazz and J John
- 17 Alpha course starts
- 18-19 Interviews for new Vicar
- 20 Wedding of Sam Thatcher and Jo Baston
- 26-28 Big CU Weekend (University CUs from across SE)
- 30 Messy Church Light Party

Assemblies	
1	All Saints, Kings Worthy, Weeke, Harestock, St Faith's
2	Oliver's Battery, Owslebury, Kings Somborne, Braishfield, Stanmore
3	S Wonston, Sparsholt, Winnall, Ampfield, Hursley, Pilgrims
4	Cheriton, Compton, Otterbourne
5	St Bede's
10	St Swithun's Primary, Shepherd's Down
17	Twyford

Give thanks and pray for the work of the diocese and deanery:

Our bishops: Tim, David and Jonathan and their families

Work of the Bishop's Council and for Alison Coulter, Lay Chair of Diocesan Synod

Reaching out to student communities in the diocese and planting new churches

Chris Kipling as he is used by the diocese in training and encouraging churches in diversifying their styles of worship; Brian Wakelin as Secretary of Diocesan World Mission Group

The ministry of the cathedral

For Karen Kousseff (Area Dean), Ruth Guy (Lay Chair) and all on Deanery Synod

For the churches working together across the deanery—particularly in ministry to schools through the Deanery Schools Team and those parishes using the Bible Society's Open the Book material

For our working with the other churches in our cluster: St Luke's and St Mark's, St Barnabas—for opportunities in Winchester Village and at Kings Barton as it is built; for Ed Dines, Mike Gardner and the teams at our churches

This month pray for ministry in the southern cluster of parishes:

- Compton, Hursley, Otterbourne William Prescott
- Twyford, Owslebury, Shawford, Damon Draisey
Colden Common, Morestead

Give thanks and pray for those in training for future ministry:

Thea Smith, Anna Creedon, Jemima Lewis, Clare Carson, Ben Coulter and Marianne Foster (our ordinands); Sue Collinson and Sara-Jane Roope as they train to become licensed lay ministers and Chloe Sheppard with Church Army

Dan Greenfield, Jude Greenfield, Tash Anderson and Ali Hill in their first curacies

For Debbi Chua directing WTC Hub here and the student body

For Winchester School of Mission in training lay people, ordinands and clergy

Jess Ross and Jack Percey, our interns this year

Ewen Greenlees on the South West Youth Ministry course based at Stoke Gifford church in Bristol

Jesse and Agi Rowe and family as they train at All Nations College for future service in East Asia

For all seeking to discern where God is calling them to serve in church, in the home, in the workplace and in retirement

Mondays - Give thanks and pray for our global engagement

Elizabeth Newport as she supervises Bible translators in hard to reach areas

For peace to be established in South Sudan and the work among refugees in northern Uganda

St Nicholas, Kalerwe, in Kampala: for the financial health of the church

Diocese of Muhabura (Uganda): Bishop Cranmer and Mama Hope and ministry among young people in the diocese

The work of Church Mission Society and Tearfund

Katy Birmingham with YWAM and based in France

Titus Camfield—intern at International Church in Lausanne, Switzerland

Wednesdays

Give thanks and pray for our local engagement as a church:

Our work with other churches through Churches Together in Winchester

For chaplaincy to the day-time and night-time economies through the City Centre Chaplaincy and Street Pastors (pray for those training to be Street Pastors)

For all from Christ Church involved in prison ministry and for David Hinks and Cliff McClelland (chaplains)

The work of the Trinity Centre, Night Shelter, Basics Bank and Debt Counselling Team

For Prospects, Breast Cancer Support, Peri-natal Classes, and Mental Health Unit who make regular use of the Church Centre in their work

For those involved in Winchester Bereavement Support Group and those they help

Ministry among staff and students at Peter Symonds (Peter Seal, the chaplain), Winchester University (Terry Biddington, Dean of Chapel, and Chris Day, Chaplain) and Southampton University School of Art (Katie Lawrence, chaplaincy work)

Work of Friends International among international students

For those involved in the Gideons as they distribute Bibles in places churches may find hard to reach

For the work of the hospital and Christine Whitehead the chaplain.

For the interaction of the church locally with the city and county councils and central government—for Steve Brine our MP

Westacre Nursing Home—for monthly visits to take communion

Where is God calling you to serve?

Give thanks and pray for our individual engagement:

For the people you regularly meet at your places of work, leisure and when shopping, to be salt and light to them

For those around where you live

For those you will invite to Alpha this term

*More information on items in the prayer diary (and how to get involved) can be found at **Connection Point** in the concourse; by contacting the church office (01962 854454 /office@ccwinch.org.uk) or the church website www.ccwinch.org.uk.*

Thursdays—Give thanks and pray for our life together

For growth in our personal and corporate spirituality, discipleship and pastoral care as we meet in small groups

Those struggling in their marriages or with their singleness

Those whose family situations have changed over the past year—marriage, birth, bereavement, retirement, redundancy; and those struggling to support each other across generations

Ministry among those of an older generation—pray for the current re-envisioning of work among this age group through SAGES

All who attend, lead, encourage and teach week by week in:

Crèche, Scramblers, Climbers, Xplorers, Little Oasis, Baby Oasis, Toddlers, Bumps and Babies, XPC, Pathfinders and Download

For Messy Church and Messy Dads

For the ministry of Oasis among women and for ministry among men

Where is God calling you to serve?

Fridays—Give thanks and pray for the leadership team at Christ Church:

Staff team: George Watkinson, Brian Wakelin, Dave Thornton, Carol Kent, Emily Bellerby, Ruth Kipling, Sam Dinsmore, Sue Collinson, Sarah Marshall-Ellison, Sophie Davis, Jess Ross, Charlotte Pascall, Paul Thomson, Liz Ord, Jack Percey and their families

Licensed Lay Ministers: Mike Carson, Keith Whale, Adrian Nance

Church Wardens, Treasurer and Secretary: Judith Adams, James Kendall, Tricia Meads and Louisa Stone

PCC and subgroups: for guidance in discerning priorities during the vacancy

For all involved in leading worship, preaching and teaching across all age groups

For growth in personal discipleship for all in leadership

For David and Pixie—as they settle into life in New Zealand

For Bishop Tim, Archdeacon Richard, the Patrons and wardens as they progress the vacancy

Saturdays—Preparing for Sunday:

For all who will be leading, teaching and preaching on Sunday

For our own preparation in coming to worship