

NEWSWIRE: 29th May 2026



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A message from Ruth

What began with joy at the prospect of a sunny long weekend, has rapidly turned, for most of us at least, into no small amount of huffing and puffing about being *too hot*.

We are, it seems, never satisfied! Through the winter we dreamed of warm sunny days and yet as we experience wall to wall sunshine, we have been quick to reframe our longing!

We want what we do not have, or perhaps what we have is never quite what we want...

In relation to the weather this is almost a cultural expectation, but I think my effortless dissatisfaction can quickly spill over into other aspects of my life. It is all too easy to fall into the trap of wanting what I do not have, of believing the worldly narrative that if only I had something different (personality, possessions, circumstances) then greater contentment would surely be mine!

James (chapter 2) speaks straight into this lie, recognising that this desire for what we do not have leads only to anger and violence. James is very direct: 'You do not have, because you do not ask God.'

The Bible is clear, the things that matter, the things that God desires for us are the only things worth longing for and those things *can* be ours, if we will just come before God and ask him for them.

So, whatever the weather, do join me in trying to focus less on what you do not have and more on asking God to give you those things that he is seeking to grow and change in you.

Collect for Trinity Sunday

Almighty and everlasting God,
you have given us your servants grace,
by the confession of a true faith,
to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity
and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity:
keep us steadfast in this faith,
that we may evermore be defended from all adversities;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

SERVICES ON SUNDAY

9.30am - Holy Communion at St Peter's

Readings: Acts 2:14-20, Ephesians 5:15-20

10.30am - Morning Worship at St Leonard's and live
streamed on [this link](#)

Readings: Isaiah 40, Matthew 28.16-20

Click [here](#) for the Service Sheet

If you have difficulties accessing the service on the livestream link above, please
try accessing [our youtube channel](#) directly.



NEXT WEEK

Monday 1st June

Bump to One meet on **Mondays** from **10.30am to midday** in **St Leonard's**.

Walkie Talkies meet on **Mondays** (term time) from **10am to 11.30am** in **St Leonard's church hall**.

Tuesday 2nd June

Tinies and Toddlers meet on **Tuesdays** (term time) from **1.30pm - 3pm** in **Cassington Village Hall**.

Wednesday 3rd June

Warm Welcome Wednesday from **10.30am to midday** in **St Leonard's Church**

Thursday 4th June

Cassington Cafe from **10am** in **Cassington Village Hall**

NEXT SUNDAY 7th June

9.30am - Holy Communion at St Peter's

10.30am - Morning Worship at St Leonard's

7pm - Revive at St Leonard's



HOLIDAY CLUB SIGN-UPS ARE NOW OPEN!!

We are excited to announce that we are able to run our holiday club this summer, and we are even more excited to announce that the sign-ups ARE NOW OPEN via this link:

<https://stleonardseynsham.churchsuite.com/events/d0xyxdxq>

Please note:

- This event will be capped at 60 children. Once tickets are gone, they're gone!
- The club costs £10 for each child, and £5 for second / subsequent children. Please carefully select the appropriate ticket for your sign-ups.
- This event is for Children **going into** Year 1 to Children **going into** Year 6.

Please contact us if you have any questions or queries!

Laura (youth.stleonards@gmail.com)

Rabea (slpfamilies@gmail.com)

Preparations for the Shipwrecked Holiday Club are in full swing and we need your help!

You might have any of the following items in your loft/shed/garage/recycling bin:

CRAFT

- big Cardboard pieces or boxes
- smaller cardboard boxes from toothpaste, cookies, etc
- Egg boxes (6 eggs)

- Clean clear plastic bottles with lid (size 0,3 or 0,5 litres)
- Corks from bottles

DECORATIONS *(we'll try our best to keep it safe, but it could get damaged)*

- Anything tropical / beach / sea-side themed (even things like inflatable fish or palm trees!)
- seashells

DRESSING UP *(you will get it back)*

- tropical / hawaiian shirts
- Sailor outfits
- Fish outfit
- Tattered outfit (someone who has been stranded on an island for a long time)

Any of these items can be dropped at Laura's and Rabea's office (Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays 9am-2pm). Please make sure that things you want us to give back to you after the Holiday Club are labelled with your name.

A big thank you in advance from Rabea and Laura

Warm Welcome Wednesday is now in its 4th year and has proved to be very popular with our older friends. There is a regular team of helpers but that has reduced in size since we began and we would welcome some more people to join us. For more information please speak to Maureen McCreadie



Four of us went on the tour last Saturday of the churchyard at St Mary Magdelene, Woodstock to see how they curate it to promote native wildflowers and wildlife. It was led by the initiator of the project, who is 93! It is a wonderful tranquil space and well worth sitting in when you are next in Woodstock. The Creation Care working group, newly formed here at St Leonard's, also met for the

first time last week – do look out for further updates and suggestions in Newswire and also on part of the Mission Board in church for further details of our trip.

Tearfund Ebola Crisis Emergency Appeal: Tearfund has a long history of working in the DRC, and they have responded to outbreaks of Ebola in the past. Right now, Tearfund is working with local partners and faith leaders to deliver

life-saving hygiene supplies and information about how to stop the virus from spreading. Their Water Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) interventions are operating in health centres and at border points to prevent the risk of spreading Ebola. But to stop the virus in its tracks, they need to do more – and quickly.

To find out more including helpful points for prayer and how to donate to this appeal, go to: <https://www.tearfund.org/campaigns/ebola-crisis-appeal>

Tearfund is one of St Leonard's mission partners which we support financially and with prayer.

Marcelo and Sylvana Vargas - our mission partners in Bolivia

A recent prayer/newsletter, is informative and challenging, telling of their on-going work in training others in Christian ministry as well as describing the troubling political, social and economic situation in Bolivia, which affects many aspects of their life. Do pick up a copy of their letter from the Mission table - and **PRAY FOR THEM.**

Louise will be on holiday from 1st to 12th June. Rabea and Laura will occasionally be in the office during this time, but please speak to a Churchwarden or to Duncan if you have any issues. For anything that is not urgent, please leave a message. Thank you.

Please pray for:

- Dave following his move to a care home.
- Ben and healing for his mental health.
- Katie suffering with epilepsy. Please pray that the right medication be found to control her seizures.

To add names to the prayer list, please contact the Church Office (stleonards_stpeters@btconnect.com) Names will be added to the list by express permission, and only first names will be published.

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