

PARISH OF CUMNOR

NEWSLETTER

SUNDAY 26TH JANUARY 2025

Theme: Fish for People

Readings: Luke 5:1-11 (Psalm 90:14-17)

ST ANDREW'S, DEAN COURT

10:30am Morning Worship
Leader: Elliot Miller
Preacher: Chris Sugden

ST MARY'S, FARMOOR

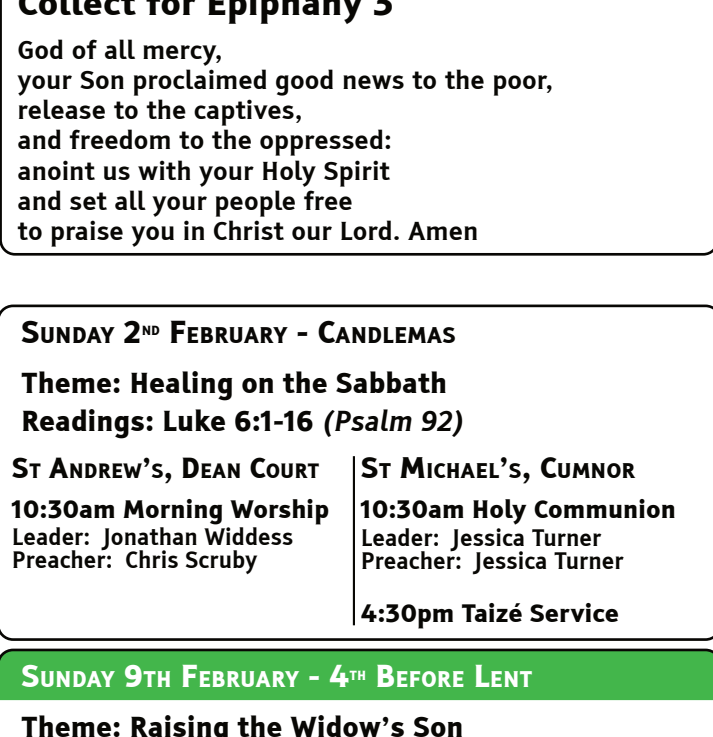
3:30pm Hymns & Cake
Leader: Libby Hawkness-Smith

ST MICHAEL'S, CUMNOR

8am Holy Communion
Leader: John Rees

10:30am Big Story Sunday

Leader: Jonathan Widdess



Collect for Epiphany 3

God of all mercy,
your Son proclaimed good news to the poor,
release to the captives,
and freedom to the oppressed:
anoint us with your Holy Spirit
and set all your people free
and praise you in Christ our Lord. Amen

SUNDAY 2ND FEBRUARY - CANDLEMAS

Theme: Healing on the Sabbath

Readings: Luke 6:1-16 (Psalm 92)

ST ANDREW'S, DEAN COURT

10:30am Morning Worship
Leader: Jonathan Widdess
Preacher: Chris Scruby

ST MICHAEL'S, CUMNOR

10:30am Holy Communion
Leader: Jessica Turner
Preacher: Jessica Turner

4:30pm Taizé Service

SUNDAY 9TH FEBRUARY - 4TH BEFORE LENT

Theme: Raising the Widow's Son

Readings: Luke 7:1-17 (Psalm 119:105-107)

ST ANDREW'S, DEAN COURT

10:30am Morning Worship
Leader: David Wenham
Preacher: TBC

ST MICHAEL'S, CUMNOR

8am Holy Communion
Leader: John Rees

10:30am Morning Worship
Leader: Jonathan Widdess
Preacher: Jonathan Widdess

Whatever you do, He will make good of it. But not the good He had prepared for you if you had obeyed him.

C. S. Lewis

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WELCOME CHURCH

Our beautiful church at St Michael's in the heart of Cumnor village isn't just open for Sunday services, it's open each day from 9-5, to offer our community a safe and spiritual place to drop by and contemplate.

In 2025, we'd like to extend our welcome. We're setting up a prayer tree to provide spiritual support and healing for parishioners, their family, and friends, as well as our community. The prayer tree will provide a place where people can write prayers. These might be prayers for people they want to pray for or are thankful for, or to express hopes, and wishes. The prayer tree might offer a focus for silent prayer or reflection. Each week, the prayers attached to the tree will be placed on the altar to form part of the Sunday worship.

If possible, we'd like members of our church to be present during the week. Your presence will demonstrate our love and care for our community. Whatever time you can give is welcome!

Once we know who might be available to support within our welcome church, we'll agree our roles, schedule safeguarding training and DBS and create a rota.

Please express your interest in being part of welcome church and your possible commitment by emailing office@cumnor.org by the end of January.

In hope that we can extend our Christian welcome within our community. **Kate Elliott**

FORTHCOMING FUNERALS

Ann Jennings - 30th January at 12pm

Philip Hawtin - 31st January at 11:30am

Both in St Michael's, Cumnor and live-streamed at <https://cumnor.org/life-events/funerals/>

RETIRING COLLECTION FOR CAP - THANK YOU!

The retiring collection for Christians Against Poverty at the United Service on Sunday (19-Jan) was £176.50. Thank you to everyone for giving so generously. **David Allwright**

COME & PRAY FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

St Andrews, 16th February, 2:15pm

For more details see <https://cumnor.org/cpyp>

BIBLE STUDY

St Andrew's Church, Wednesdays 7.30pm-9pm

We're continuing to explore John's gospel.

Please just come whenever you can - everyone is very welcome.

Any questions please contact susan.allwright@btinternet.com

MEMORIES CAFE

Memories Café meets once a fortnight at Cumnor Cricket Club. The next meeting is on **Tuesday 4th February from 2:30-4pm**. If you would like to know more please contact **Jan Harris on 01865 864169**

COFFEE POT @ ST ANDREW'S

Coffee Pot @ St Andrew's, Thursdays, 10.30-12.00. Refreshments only £1.

Everyone welcome. Dogs on leads please.

BABY & TODDLER GROUPS

St Michael's

The St Michael's Toddler group meets on Wednesday mornings in the Parish Centre, 1 Abingdon Road. Each session costs just £1 and runs from 9am-11am during term time.

For more details please contact **Dianne Taylor (01865 862165)** or **Angela Evans (01865 864397)**

St Andrew's

Toddlers Group at St Andrew's Church on Friday mornings from 9.30am - 11am. This group is for any pre-school children with an adult, and everyone's welcome - please let friends and neighbours know. Thank you.

Sue (01865 864991)

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

- † The families of Philip Hawtin, and Ann Jennings, as they mourn.
- † The PCC, meeting next week.
- † Abingdon Deanery Synod, meeting next week.
- † Plans for a CAP Job Club at St Andrew's in partnership with Edge Housing.
- † Our opportunities for fruitful mission in 2025.
- † Our CMS mission partners Simon and Sarah Cawdell in Gulu, Uganda.
- † The ceasefire agreement in Gaza to hold.
- † The war in Ukraine.
- † One new person to be added to church.
- † Each of us to have a conversation about Jesus this week with someone who doesn't know him yet.
- † One of your friends or family to come to Christ.

JOIN OUR MISSION

Church is what we make it together, so get involved. One way to do that is by serving on a Sunday. There are opportunities to read the Bible, lead the prayers, join the welcoming teams, and join the refreshments teams. For more details or to volunteer, see David Wenham for roles at St Andrew's or Jonathan for roles at St Michael's.

GIVE GENEROUSLY

Giving is an important part of our discipleship. All your donations to the parish support the church's mission and ministry and we are so thankful for every penny. You can give online, through the collection plate, or best of all by Direct Debit through the Parish Giving Scheme. For more information please visit <https://cumnor.org/giving/>

WORSHIP TOGETHER AS A FAMILY

Messy Church

Friday 18/4, 2-4pm at St Andrew's

Big Story Sunday

Sunday 26/1, 10:30am at St Michael's

St Andrew's Family Service

Sunday 16/2, 10:30am

Other weeks - Sunday School at St Andrew's

SING IN THE ST MICHAEL'S CHOIR

Choir practice is on Friday evenings at 6:30pm. New members always welcome. Please contact Andrew Dyer for more details on 01865 862042 or e-mail: ajdyer47@hotmail.com

RING THE BELLS

The Bellringers meet for practice on Wednesday evenings from 7:30-9pm. Contact: Jenny Dyer on 01865 862042 e-mail: jadyer55@hotmail.com website: <https://cumnorbellringers.uk/>

HOME COMMUNION & HOME VISITING

If you or someone you know would value home communion, someone to pray with, a visit, or simply a phone call, please let Jonathan know.

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