

## FROM NOW ON in Lent

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Discussion, Reflection and Chat over 5 weeks from week beginning February 19th



- Each session includes:
- Film clips
  - Discussion
  - Bible passage
  - Prayer

During Lent there will be weekly groups meeting in homes. Clips from The Greatest Showman and brief Bible passages will lead into discussion times, and the chance to chat, reflect and pray together.

The resource material is called "From Now On", and the course 'explores ways in which themes of faith, hope and redemption run through all our lives.' The groups will take place at a variety of times and on different days, so that there should be a time that suits everyone, see the box below.

If you are interested please contact Maggie or Joanna or the host. We hope that this will be an opportunity for some new people to join us for something a bit different, and for us all to get to know and support one another better in a sociable and informal environment.

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### From Now On Groups

- Bletchingdon:** Mon at 2.30pm Bob Wilkes and Judith Ledger *+ tea and cake*  
 At 3 Islip Road, Bletchingdon, OX5 3DP 01869 351542
- Chesterton:** Thurs at 7.30pm Alan and Jill Peck *+ drinks and nibbles*  
 At 6 Green Lane, Chesterton, OX26 1UR 01869 244256
- Kirtlington:** Tuesday at 2.30pm Bob Wilkes and Ann Mowat *+ tea and cake*  
 At Honeoye, South Green, K'n, OX5 3HJ 01869 350525
- Kirtlington:** Thurs at 1.30pm, for parents/carers, + activities for children, Joanna Clifford *+ tea and biscuits*  
 At 3 South End Cottages, Bletchingdon Rd, K'n OX5 3HF 07779578088
- Mid'n Stoney:** Thurs at 7.30pm Simon and Maggie Dancer, Penny Rubio, Michele Mapp *+ drinks and nibbles*  
 At Lynton Cottage, Bicester Rd, M-S, OX25 4TD 07557 501781
- Wendlebury:** Wed at 7.30pm Maggie and Charles Darby *+ drinks and nibbles*  
 At Old School, Church Lane, Wendlebury, OX25 2PN 01869 323536
- Weston:** Tues at 7.30pm Andrew and Nerys Wilkinson, Paul Clifford *+ drinks and nibbles*  
 At Badgers Drift, Church Rd, Weston, OX25 3QP 01869 351200

RSVP if possible, but feel free to turn up anyway, or for further info contact  
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In Kirtlington the Race Night which had to be postponed from October will now take place on Saturday 2nd March in the Village Hall, at 7pm. All tickets and horses bought for October are still valid. If you haven't got tickets from October, and would like to come, you can still get up a table and come along. Contact Penny Rubio 07712 532393 or Ann Mowat 07880 548513 for more information. This is a fundraising event for repairs to the porch.



## RISE AND SHINE

The café takes place 9.15 - 10.45 in Kirtlington church every Wednesday in term-time, with freshly-brewed coffee, home-made cakes, and, for the young families, craft activities, toys, a story-time and singing. All ages welcomed! We have some new toys, including a wonderful wigwam, and the inventiveness of the cake-makers is never-ending!



## GARETH'S SABBATICAL

Gareth is now away on his sabbatical, returning on April 7<sup>th</sup>. During this time he will not be responding to emails or telephone messages. All enquiries should be directed to other members of the ministry team or the churchwardens, if appropriate. If you are unsure whom to ask, please contact our administrator, Julie Andrews, at [enquiries.akeman@gmail.com](mailto:enquiries.akeman@gmail.com)



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Do feel free to contact a member of the Ministry team if you would like to chat over anything, or a churchwarden if you would like information

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## Services

### Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2 before Lent

0800	Chesterton	Holy Communion* (said)
0930	Bletchington	Morning Worship
0930	Middleton Stoney	Morning Worship
0930	Wendlebury	Holy Communion
1100	Chesterton	Family Service
1100	Kirtlington	Holy Communion
1600	Weston	Evensong*

### Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> February 1 before Lent

0930	Kirtlington	Holy Communion* (said)
1100	Chesterton	Holy Communion
1100	Weston	Café Church
1600	Kirtlington	Evensong*

### Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> February Ash Wednesday

1000	Chesterton	Holy Communion
1900	Kirtlington	Holy Communion

### Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> February Lent 1

0930	Bletchington	Holy Communion
0930	Middleton Stoney	Holy Communion
0930	Wendlebury	Morning Worship
1100	Chesterton	Morning Worship
1100	Kirtlington	Morning Worship
1100	Weston	Holy Communion

### Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> February Lent 2

1030	Middleton Stoney	Holy Communion
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\*Indicates Prayer Book service

All services in Middleton Stoney are in the village hall for the time being

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