



SHERBORNE ABBEY with CASTLETON,
SAINT PAUL'S, LILLINGTON and
LONGBURTON

*To know God and to make Him known
in wonder, love and praise*

Founded by St Aldhelm AD 705

Sunday 6 November 2022 – 3rd Sunday before Advent

THE ABBEY

8.00 am BCP Holy Communion	Celebrant:	The Reverend Martin Lee
9.30 am Parish Eucharist	Celebrant:	The Reverend Martin Lee
	Preacher:	The Reverend Christopher Huitson

Collect: Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the king of all: govern the hearts and minds of those in authority, and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings: 2 Thessalonians Ch 2: v 1 – 5, 13 - end; Luke Ch 20: v 27 - 38

Hymns: 338, 341, 282, 495

6.00 pm Choral Evensong	Officiant:	The Reverend Martin Lee
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CASTLETON CHURCH

11.15 am Mattins	Officiant:	The Reverend Hugh Bonsey
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LILLINGTON CHURCH

10.00 am Family Service	Officiant:	The Reverend Hugh Bonsey
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LONGBURTON CHURCH

10.00 am Village Communion	Celebrant:	The Reverend Lesley McCreadie
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10.30am Morning Worship	Leader:	Barrie Jenks
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	Speaker:	Tabitha Smith
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The Abbey - Weekday Services

Every Monday – Saturday at 8.30 am – Morning Prayer - The Sepulchre Chapel

Every Monday at 9.00 am – CW Holy Communion - The Lady Chapel

Every Tuesday at 12 noon – CW Holy Communion - The Sepulchre Chapel

Every Wednesday at 10.30 am – Holy Communion with Homily – The Lady Chapel
(alternates CW and BCP)

Every Thursday at 12 noon – BCP Holy Communion - The Lady Chapel

Every Friday at 9.00 am – Ecumenical Holy Communion - The Sepulchre Chapel

1st Friday of the month at 9.00 am – Requiem Holy Communion - The Sepulchre Chapel -
(next service on Friday 2 December 2022).

The Abbey - Weekday Services continued

3rd Friday of the month at 11.00 am – Remembering the Fallen (*the next service will take place on the 2nd Friday of November, Armistice Day, 11 November 2022 and will follow on from the 11.00am Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial.*)

Every Saturday at 9.00 am – CW Holy Communion - The Sepulchre Chapel

Sunday 13 November 2022 – Remembrance Sunday

THE ABBEY

8.00 am BCP Holy Communion	Celebrant:	The Reverend Martin Lee
9.30 am Parish Eucharist	Celebrants:	The Reverend Martin Lee The Reverend Robert Green
11.00 am Remembrance Service (<i>This service will start at the War Memorial at 11.00 am.</i>)	Officiant:	The Reverend Martin Lee
6.00 pm Choral Evensong	Officiant:	The Reverend Martin Lee

CASTLETON CHURCH

10.45 am Service of Remembrance	Officiant:	Canon Charles Mitchell-Innes
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LILLINGTON CHURCH

10.45 am Remembrance Service	Officiant:	The Reverend Hugh Bonsey
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Longburton Church

10.50 am Remembrance Service	Officiant:	The Reverend Lesley McCreadie
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10.45 am All Age Worship	Leader:	Sarah Fricker
	Speaker:	The Reverend Jim Edie

Thought for the Day

“Let the little children come” A reflection on Halloweens past, present and future: Since coming to faith as a student, I have always had a bit of a difficult relationship with Halloween. Looking back, it isn't much surprise as the church has, and still does, hit a bit of a stumbling block around how to engage with what was once the Christian Festival of All Hallows Eve. Over the years Becca and I have participated through all the usual 'Christian' options. We have kept the door firmly closed and turned off the lights, we have supported church light parties (although these predominantly provide a place for church kids to go), and we have been out on the streets and reluctantly joined in. However, none of these have felt like the right way for us to respond. Over recent years, when I have considered what to do at Halloween, I have often been drawn to that now slightly corny phrase 'What would Jesus do?' Would Jesus be hiding away in His house, or would He be joining in with the party for Christians? Although it might be a challenge to hear it, I think if we are really honest with ourselves the answer would be neither. Jesus would have been out and about, engaging with people and declaring the good news of God Kingdom. He would be speaking truth into our society and being the 'light in the darkness'. He would be opening His arms and declaring 'Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs.' (Matthew 19:14). If we are Jesus' hands and feet, surely we need to think about how we as the church, and partakers of God's mission to His world, are *present* over Halloween? This year as a family, we hopefully made a step in a positive direction.

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Following being told that our road is one of 'the destinations' for trick and treaters in Sherborne, we seized the opportunity. St Paul's members set up gazebos on the vicarage drive, hot chocolate was served and Christmas information and Scripture Union booklets were given away in the pouring rain, along with (of course) sweets! The children (and parents) came; we estimated 250 -300! However most importantly we (hopefully) provided a little 'light in the darkness'. Now to start considering next year....?

The Reverend Jim Edie

Notices

Visiting Hours: The Abbey is open to visitors on Mondays to Saturdays from 8.00 am – 5.00 pm and on Sundays from 11.00 am – 5.00 pm. Please be aware that The Abbey may close when private services are taking place. (*Baptisms are taking place on Sunday 20 November at 11.30 am and on Sunday 27 November at 1.00 pm. Memorial Services are taking place on Wednesday 23 November at midday and on Friday 25 November at 2.00 pm.*)

Organ Recitals: Mondays in The Abbey at 1.30 pm (*free entry, retiring collection, all welcome.* Autumn Recital Series continues with: Monday 7 November 2022 – Kentaro Machida, Oxford.

Service Music: *Parish Eucharist:* Missa Brevis, Palestrina; O Lord, give thy holy spirit, Tallis; Salvator mundi, Tallis; Hymns 338, 341, 282, 495. *Choral Evensong:* Introit: Justorum animae, Stanford; Responses: Clucas; Psalm: 65 Hurford; Canticles: Dyson in D; Anthem: Thou wilt keep him, Wesley; Hymns: 358 (ii), 467.

James Henderson, Director of Music

Day of Prayer and Gifts: This will take place on Saturday 19 November 2022 in the Abbey. Further details will be sent out to those on the electoral roll shortly. *The Reverend Martin Lee*

Julian Group: This is not a prayer group – just an opportunity to share half-an-hour's silence and meditation with fellow Christians and let God speak to us. The meetings are ecumenical. It is very refreshing. Why not give it a try? The next meeting is on Wednesday 9 November 2022 in St. Johns' Almshouse Chapel from 4.00 pm to 4.30 pm. *Shirley Fry (01935 389124)*

Longburton Village Café: Held in the village church of St James, the café provides tea, coffee (free refills) and great cakes, for just £1.50 and will be open on Tuesdays 15 & 29 November and 13 December 2022 from 10.30 am until noon. Come along and bring a friend!

Toy Sunday: Sunday 20 November 2022, the Feast of Christ the King, is Toy Sunday throughout the Benefice when all five of our churches welcome gifts of toys, books & games for children/young people, plus toiletries for the mums (for 'pamper hampers'), who would otherwise have a lean time of it at Christmas. Recipients will be the North Dorset Women's Refuge and other local charities. All gifts must be new and unwrapped (except for original packaging). New single bedding is also welcome. Please bring your gift to church or the Parish Office. Many thanks.

Oliver! To be performed by local school children in the Abbey on Thursday 17, Friday 18 & Saturday 19 November 2022 at 7.00 pm. Free admission by ticket only (400 per night). Tickets now available from the Parish Office. Everyone welcome! *The Reverend Martin Lee*

Syrian Taster Evening: On Tuesday 15 November 2022 at 6.30pm, St Paul's Church, in aid of Ukrainian refugees. Meal (vegetarian option), Syrian food presentation and talk by a Syrian refugee, now settled in Sherborne. Tickets £15.00. Contact: cathadam1@talktalk.net

Cath Adam (Sherborne Area Refugee Support Group)

Warm Space: Every Thursday (3 Nov – 14 Dec) from 10.00 am until 3.00 pm, Cheap Street Church will provide a warm and welcoming space with hot drinks, cakes, soup & rolls plus activities (eg jigsaws & knitting). If you would like to volunteer to help in the kitchen, provide food or just sit & chat to people please contact Penny pennylgardner@gmail.com. *Cath Adam*

Sherborne Good Neighbours: AGM on Tuesday 29 November 2022, 12 noon until 1.30 pm at the Roman Catholic Church Hall, Westbury. All those who would like to find out more about volunteering with Good Neighbours are most welcome. Although most requests are for transport to surgeries or local hospitals, we would welcome not only new drivers but also volunteers prepared to visit and check on the house bound and help with shopping. If you can spare an hour occasionally please contact Mike Hatch, Chairman on 01935 815806 or m.hatch1471@btinternet.com.
Mike Hatch

Mothers' Union: Next meeting on Friday 25 November 2022, Griffiths Room, Digby Memorial Church Hall, 10.00 am for 10.30 am start.
Jo Higgs, MU Secretary

Faith & Arts Play Reading: On Friday 25 November 2022 at 7.30 pm – 9.00 pm, led by Mark Greenstock, this will be performed as a play-reading by any who wish to take part. Our kind host is again Mike Keatinge at Highbank, Marston Road, Sherborne DT9 4BL. (Parking is on the left-hand side of the road going up, but not in the layby of Cleve House; limited space in the drive by arrangement with Mike). Refreshments (wine and soft drinks) available from 7.00 pm. Come and participate – no special acting talents required! Also, you can simply come and listen, if you do not wish to read. All ages are welcome. More details from *Mike Keatinge* (01935 389377) or *Mark & Hester Greenstock* (812561). Tickets £3.00 (includes refreshments) from the Parish Office.

Remembrance Poppies: Available at the back of the Abbey and/or the Shop inside the Abbey.

SCT Christmas Day Lunch: This will take place in the Digby Memorial Church Hall from 12.30 pm until 3.00 pm primarily for anyone without family at Christmas. Traditional lunch (vegetarian option) – no charge. To join us and/or volunteer please fill in the form(s) at the Parish Office. More details to follow in next week's Pewsheet.
John Bradshaw

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Please contact the Parish Office on 01935 713777 or email Sue Lee

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Parish Office – 01935 713777 (Monday – Friday 9.00 am – 3.00 pm (1.00 pm on Thursdays))

Email: Joanna.Sams@sherborneabbey.com

Abbey Shop (in the Abbey) – Opens Monday - Friday 10.30 am – 3.30 pm

Abbey Tours – If you wish to book a tour, please contact the Parish Office.

Website: <https://www.sherborneabbey.com/>