



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 15 January 2023 – 2nd Sunday of Epiphany

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 God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; 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. Amen.

Readings: 1 Corinthians Ch 1: v 1- 9; John Ch 1: v 29 - 42

Hymns: 296, 481 (462), 304, 486

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 Morning Service	Officiant:	The Reverend Hugh Bonsey
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LONGBURTON CHURCH

10.00 am Family Communion	Celebrant:	The Reverend Lesley McCreadie
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10.30 am All Age Worship	Leaders & Speakers:	The Edie Family
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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 Sepulchre 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

The Abbey - Weekday Services continued

1st Friday of the month at 9.00 am – Requiem Holy Communion - The Sepulchre Chapel - (next service on Friday 3 February 2023).

3rd Friday of the month at 11.00 am – Remembering the Fallen (next service Friday 20 Jan 2023.)

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

Sunday 22 January 2023 – 3rd Sunday of Epiphany

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 John Townend
6.00 pm Choral Evensong	Officiant:	The Reverend Martin Lee

CASTLETON CHURCH

11.15 am Mattins	Officiant:	The Reverend Hugh Bonsey
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LILLINGTON CHURCH

10.00 am Morning Service	Officiant:	The Reverend Hugh Bonsey
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Longburton Church

10.00 am Said Holy Communion	Celebrant:	The Reverend Lesley McCreddie
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10.30 am Morning Worship	Leader:	John Crossman
	Speaker:	Mark Greenstock

Thought for the Day

Come and See. The theme that sits behind this week's Gospel reading is 'Come and See'. In the reading we see two of John the Baptist's disciples meeting Jesus and spending time with him. Of them one was Andrew who was Peter's brother, and, following his experience with Jesus, Andrew takes Peter to see Jesus declaring 'We have found the Messiah'. We as followers of Jesus are called to take people to see or meet Jesus; in fact Jesus declares to His followers, and therefore also to us, that we should 'go and make disciples of all nations' (Matthew Ch 28: v 19 - 20). This is not a take it or leave it part of following Jesus, leading people to see Jesus, or evangelism (to give it its posh name): it's central to our Christian journey. Just imagine if Andrew hadn't taken Peter, the 'rock' on which Jesus says He will build his church, to meet Jesus?

You might recall the person who first led you to Jesus. It might have been a parent, a grandparent or a friend, or it could have been a member of clergy or a complete stranger. I was a student at the University of Southampton when strangers, who later became friends, led me to Jesus. That was over 20 years ago and I certainly wouldn't be a vicar now if they hadn't bothered.

So, I encourage you, look out for the people that God is putting in your life who need leading to Jesus, and take them to him; for He 'is the water of life and whoever drinks the water [He] gives them will never thirst.'

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. (*Funeral on Friday 20 January 2023 (12.30 pm).*)

Organ Recitals: The new series continues with (*Mondays, 1.30 pm, free entry, retiring collection, all welcome*):

Monday 16 January 2023 - Pavlos Triantaris, St Peter's, Henleaze, Bristol.

Monday 23 January 2023 - Harold Jackson, Honorary Assistant Organist, Sherborne Abbey.

Monday 30 January 2023 - James Henderson, Director of Music, Sherborne Abbey.

Abbey Choir: The Abbey Choir spent two evenings this week in the Abbey recording a Christmas CD that will hopefully be a popular choice of Christmas gift at the end of 2023! Another CD is planned for March.

Advertisements will shortly be appearing for the recruitment of boy choristers for the Abbey Choir, and girl choristers for the new Abbey Girls' Choir that starts this month. Should anyone have friends and relatives whose children would be interested in auditioning for either choir, please put them in touch with me. Emailing james.henderson@sherborneabbey.com or leaving a paper note in the Parish Office are the best ways of making contact.

Service Music: *Parish Eucharist:* Setting Darke in E; I sat down, Bairstow; Ave verum, Mozart; Ubi caritas, Duruflé; Hymns: 296, 481 (462), 304, 486. *Choral Evensong:* Introit: In pace, Blythman; Responses: Ayleward; Psalm: 82, Attwood; Canticles: Noble in B minor; Anthem: A boy was born, Britten; Hymns: 480 (15), 339. *James Henderson, Director of Music*

Longburton Village Café: Held in the village church of St James, the café provides tea, coffee (free refills) and great cakes, for just £2.00 and will be open on Tuesdays 17 & 31 January 2023 from 10.30 am until noon. *The Reverend Lesley McCreadie*

Mothers' Union: The MU will see in the New Year with their AGM and a celebration of the Eucharist on Friday 27 January 2023 from 10.00 am until midday in the Griffiths Room at the Digby Memorial Church Hall. *Jo Higgs, MU Secretary*

Snowdrop Remembrance & Thanksgiving Service: This service takes place on Friday 3 February 2023 at 11.00 am at the Church of the Sacred Heart & St Aldhelm, Westbury, Sherborne. An opportunity to remember loved ones and add a name to the Sherborne Book of Remembrance. Refreshments available. *Sherborne Churches Together*

Coffee Helpers: Coffee is served after the 9.30am Eucharist on Sunday mornings and additional help is once again being sought. I am asking for people to help once a month. I will help anyone willing through the process on the first occasion. Please speak to me after the service or leave a message in the Parish Office. Many thanks. *Hilary Pearce*

RBL Poppy Appeal - Update: In addition to the £520.00 raised in the RBL collection tins, a further £1,275.40 was donated at the Remembrance Service which has been sent to The Royal British Legion. Thank you. *Jo Hague, Treasurer*

Prayer for Our World: On Thursday 19 January 2023 from 11.00 am - 11.40 am in the Abbey near the Lady Chapel. Praying can be silent, extempore, read out, or just a topic mentioned, whatever suits YOU! Please join us in this. We pray with gratitude that we can bring the needs of the world and society to our faithful and loving God who hears and helps. Bringing the needs of the world to Him and worshipping Him gives us courage to stay informed and yet hopeful. You are welcome to come for all or part of the time. Details: *Rosaleen (01935 592185)*

Thank you from the Friends of the North Dorset Women's Refuge: We are always amazed and overwhelmed by the generosity and thoughtfulness shown by the Toy Services held in the Sherborne Benefice: sorting and enjoying this ourselves is good, how much more for those families in Refuge at Christmas time. The committee work with staff to choose appropriate presents for each child while pamper hampers (washing baskets lined with beautiful Linus quilts) are prepared by those who enjoy distributing all sorts of special "smellies" until the hampers are full to overflowing. Wrapping day is chaotic and busy, helped by coffee and catching up. Without your help we could not do any of this, and those of you who gave us money this year were so helpful as we were able to divide this between all families. We value the link with the Abbey which was started many years ago and we are so pleased it continues with Martin Lee and his team. Sarah, the Senior Staff member of the Paragon Trust which works with women in Refuge, wrote just after Christmas and I would like to share her comments with you: *"Thank you for the lovely hampers for the ladies, the money and the gifts for the children... the families were overwhelmed and it was gratefully received. I wanted to take the time to thank you all, for all you do, your thoughtfulness, kindness and understanding of the families we are supporting. You all make a HUGE contribution in supporting our families to lead safer and calmer lives."* Everyone who contributes in any way is included in this heartfelt thank you from Sarah and from us, 'the Friends of', as we are known.

Wedding Conference: We shall be inviting all the couples who are booked to get married in our churches during 2023 to an informal but informative conference to be held in the Abbey from 2.00 pm on Saturday 28 January 2023. This should help with your planning, give you an opportunity to ask questions and just confirm practicalities. Look out for your invite!

(Sue.Lee@sherborneabbey.com)

The Reverend Martin Lee

Bellringers: The Bath Abbey Ringers will be ringing a quarter peal at Sherborne Abbey from 4.00 pm on Sunday 15 January 2023.

Tim Phillips, Tower Captain

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

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Abbey Shop – Staffed hours: Monday - Friday 10.30 am – 3.30 pm; Saturday 10.30 am – 1.00 pm.

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

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