



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 16 April 2023 – 2nd Sunday of Easter

THE ABBEY

8.00 am BCP Holy Communion

Celebrant:

The Reverend John Townend

9.30 am Parish Eucharist

Celebrant:

The Reverend Robert Green

Preacher:

Canon Charles Mitchell-Innes

(There is a baptism at 11.30 am.)

Collect: Almighty Father, you have given your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification: grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings: Acts Ch 2: v 14a, 22 - 32; John Ch 20: v 19 - 31

Hymns: 119 & 118, 107, 173 (265), 124

6.00 pm Choral Evensong

Officiant:

Canon Charles Mitchell-Innes

CASTLETON CHURCH

11.15 am Mattins

Officiant:

The Reverend Hugh Bonsey

LILLINGTON CHURCH

10.00 am Morning Service

Officiant:

The Reverend Hugh Bonsey

LONGBURTON CHURCH

10.00 am Family Communion

Celebrant:

The Reverend Lesley McCreadie

(followed by APCM)

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10.30 am Morning Worship

Leader:

Sandra Cutting

Speaker:

John Crossman

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

The Abbey - Weekday Services

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 5 May 2023)

3rd Friday of the month at 11.00 am – Remembering the Fallen (next service Friday 21 April 2023)

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

Sunday 23 April 2023 – 3rd Sunday of Easter

THE ABBEY

8.00 am BCP Holy Communion	Celebrant:	The Reverend Lesley McCreadie
9.30 am Parish Eucharist	Celebrant:	The Reverend Christopher Huitson
	Preacher:	The Reverend Robert Green

(There is a school service at 11.30 am and a baptism at 2.00 pm.)

6.00 pm Choral Evensong	Officiant:	The Reverend John Townend
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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 Said Holy Communion	Celebrant:	The Reverend Pene Kennedy
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10.30 am Morning Worship	Leader:	TBC
	Speaker:	Mark Greenstock

Thought for the Day

Easter time is the oldest season of the Christian Year, and in the early Church the Easter season was known as Pentecost (from the Greek word for fifty). It was celebrated as one great feast incorporating the resurrection and ascension of Jesus, the gift of the Spirit and the birth of the Church - all these themes were seen as showing us different aspects of the same mystery.

Since the late 1960s the Church has begun to re-establish the practice of seeing the Easter season as starting with Easter Day and finishing on Pentecost Sunday.

"This most joyous space", wrote Tertullian, the 3rd century Christian theologian. He describes the period of the Fifty Days as being a "space" in which we can experience the boundless freedom and joy of resurrection life.

As you celebrate the Easter season this year, I hope that you will see these Fifty Days as our ancient Christian brothers and sisters did - not as a series of isolated days with their different themes and expressions of belief, but as one event in which we celebrate all that God the Father has done for us through Christ.

The Reverend Hugh Bonsey

Notices

Visiting Hours: The Abbey is open to visitors on Mondays to Saturdays (8.00 am – 5.00 pm) and on Sundays (11.00 am – 5.00 pm). The Abbey may close when private services are taking place. (*Funeral – Wednesday 19 April (midday). Baptisms – Sunday 16 April (11.30 am) & Sunday 23 April (2.00 pm). School services – Wednesday 19 April (9.15 am) & Sunday 23 April (11.30 am). Music Festival takes place Thursday 27 April – Thursday 4 May.*)

Organ Recitals: On Mondays at 1.30 pm, free entry, retiring collection, all welcome:
Monday 17 April 2023 - Peter Bray, Assistant Organist, Sherborne Abbey
Monday 24 April 2023 – Guy Hepher, Organ Scholar, Sherborne Abbey

Monday 1 May 2023 - Matthew Owens (*part of the Sherborne Music Festival with music by Bach, Pachelbel, Mendelssohn, Widor, Edmund Thomas Chipp and Owens himself. To buy tickets (£15.00): <https://www.sherborneabbeyfestival.org/portfolio/matthew-owens-organ-recital/>*)

Service Music: After the busy Easter Weekend, the choristers have their second Sunday off this weekend before returning for the Summer Term. The Sunday services are sung by some of the adult members of the Abbey Choir. *Parish Eucharist:* Mass for three voices, Byrd; The Lord is my shepherd, Parisian Tone; Ave verum, Mozart. Hymns: 119 & 118, 107, 173 (265), 124. *Choral Evensong:* Introit: Oculi omnium, Wood; Responses: Tallis; Psalm: 30, Plainsong; Canticles: Short Dorian Service, Tallis; Anthem: O nata lux, Tallis; Hymns: 486, 103.

James Henderson, Director of Music

Prayer List: *The Sick:* Harry Bond, Bridget Hill, Chris Smallbone, John Bunnell, Julie Preece and Martin Lee. *Departed:* Sheila Sharman, Zora Brown, Julie King, David Weller, Dorothy Sauer, John Walker and Mary Goddard.

Andrew Cross, Head Verger

Lent Project 2023: We are appealing again for your support and incredible generosity for: Chernobyl Children's Life Line (CCLL) and The Footprints Project. The Lent Project Leaflet can be found at the Abbey, Castleton & St Paul's. The appeal closes on 16 April 2023. *John Crossman*

Longburton Village Café: On Tuesday 25 April 2023, 10.30 am – noon, in the village church of St James. The café provides tea, coffee (free refills) & great cakes, just £2.00.

The Reverend Lesley McCreadie

Mothers' Union: On Friday 28 April 2023, 10.00 am – midday, Griffiths Room, Digby Memorial Church Hall. Talk by Jenny Nelson, Head of Wind, Brass & Percussion at Sherborne Girls' School.

Jo Higgs, MU Secretary

Electoral Roll: The Electoral Roll for The Abbey, Castleton and St Paul's is being revised (9 – 21 April 2023) in advance of the APCM on 7 May 2023 (7.00 pm in the Abbey). To be eligible to vote at the APCM, you must be on the roll but all are welcome to attend. Those currently on the roll need do nothing! If you are 16+, a communicant member of a church in communion with the Church of England and wish to be added, please complete a blue Electoral Roll form (available from the back of the Abbey and the Parish Office) and return it by Friday 21 April 2023. After the revision, a copy of the roll will be published by the PCC for at least 14 days and/or will be available for inspection.

Castleton Verger: St Mary Magdalene Church, Castleton, are seeking a verger to help look after our lovely church and friendly congregation. We are looking for five hours a week, 2½ hours of which will be on Sunday mornings when we hold our weekly service. This is a remunerated post. If you are interested and would like to talk to us, please ring our churchwarden, Robert Harris, on 07771 770717. I look forward to hearing from you.

Robert Harris

Abbey Shop: Booklet now available of 'Daily Prayers for the Coronation of King Charles III' which contains a daily prayer, reading and reflection from Easter Day (9 April) to Coronation Day (6 May). Just £1.50!
Phil Prout, Shop Manager

Planned (blue) Gift Aid Envelopes: The blue envelopes are expected soon and those who normally use them will be contacted when they arrive. In the meantime, could we ask you to use the standard white envelopes available in the Abbey or from the office. Thank you. *David Ferguson*

Abbey Tours: Our regular guided tours of the Abbey, on Tuesdays at 10.30 am and Fridays at 2.00 pm have started and will run until Friday 1 December 2023. As with entry to the Abbey, there is no charge for these tours (although donations always appreciated). Just turn up and the guide will be waiting near the porch. If you have a larger group wanting a tour, please the Parish Office to arrange a convenient date/time.
Harold Clarke

Funeral: Mary Goddard, widow of Canon Paul Goddard, sadly passed away on Friday 31 March 2023. Mary's funeral will take place in St Wyllow Church, Lanteglos, Polruan, Cornwall PL23 1NQ on Wednesday 19 April 2023 at 2.30 pm. All are welcome to attend.

Sherborne Abbey Festival 2023: From Thursday 27 April 2023 until Thursday 4 May 2023 taking place in the Abbey and various other venues in Sherborne. An amazing line-up of concerts to whet every appetite with a mixture of world-famous stars, local musicians and school performances. The Festival has purchased a beautiful grand piano for the Abbey and this instrument's first concert appearance, performed by internationally renowned pianist, John Lenehan, on Thursday 4 May 2023 is definitely not to be missed. <https://www.sherborneabbeyfestival.org/>. Tickets available: 0333 666 3366 or <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/sherborneabbeyfestival>.

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 10 May 2023 in St. Johns' Almshouse Chapel from 4.00 pm to 4.30 pm.
Shirley Fry (01935 389124)

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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/>