



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 30 April 2023 – 4th Sunday of Easter

THE ABBEY

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

Collect: Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings: Acts Ch 2: v 42 – end; John Ch 10: v 1 - 10

Hymns: 112, 315 (288), 104, 113

6.00 pm Choral Evensong	Officiant:	The Reverend Martin Lee
--------------------------------	------------	-------------------------

CASTLETON CHURCH

11.15 am Festal Mattins	Officiant:	The Reverend Hugh Bonsey
--------------------------------	------------	--------------------------

Performed by the Beckett Consort (part of the Sherborne Music Festival)

(There is a baptism at 2.00 pm.)

LILLINGTON CHURCH

10.00 am Morning Service	Officiant:	The Reverend Pene Kennedy
---------------------------------	------------	---------------------------

LONGBURTON CHURCH

6.00 pm Songs of Praise	Officiant:	The Reverend Lesley McCreadie
--------------------------------	------------	-------------------------------

STPAULS@THEGRYPHON

10.30 am Morning Worship	Leader:	The Reverend Jim Edie
---------------------------------	---------	-----------------------

	Speaker:	John Crossman
--	----------	---------------

(followed by St Paul's AGM at midday)

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 5 May 2023)

The Abbey - Weekday Services contd

3rd Friday of the month at 11.00 am – Remembering the Fallen (next service Friday 19 May 2023)

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

Sunday 7 May 2023 – 5th Sunday of Easter

THE ABBEY

8.00 am BCP Holy Communion Celebrant: *(to be confirmed)*

9.30 am Parish Eucharist Celebrant: *(to be confirmed)*

Preacher: *(to be confirmed)*

6.00 pm Choral Evensong Officiant: *(to be confirmed)*

(The APCM follows this service at 7.00 pm in the Abbey. All are welcome to attend.)

CASTLETON CHURCH

11.15 am Mattins Officiant: *(to be confirmed)*

(Fellowship Sunday)

LILLINGTON CHURCH

10.00 am Family Service Officiant: *(to be confirmed)*

Longburton Church

10.00 am Village Communion Celebrant: The Reverend Lesley McCreddie

STPAULS@THEGRYPHON

10.30 am Morning Worship Leader: Sue Hawkett
Speaker: The Reverend Jim Edie

Thought for the Day

John Ch 10: v 10 *"I have come that they might have life, and have it the full."* Words from this Sunday's Gospel reading is also the vision and ethos for the Gryphon School. As some of you will know, part of my role within our town is to be Chaplain to the staff and young people of the Gryphon. As with any institution that works with young people, there are many joys and some challenges and one thing I can guarantee is that life is never boring.

My role involves providing Christian input through Acts of Worship, pastoral support, helping out in lessons, mentoring and, a few weeks ago, I had the joy of heading out with pupils undertaking their Gold Duke of Edinburgh expedition training in Bannau Brycheiniog (formally known as the Brecon Beacons). All the hard work of staff at the Gryphon is encouraging young people to do their best and reach their goals and ultimately live life to the full both academically and through extra-curricular activities. What staff deliver and achieve is fantastic.

However, Jesus' words take us far further than just being and doing our best. We know from Scripture that *'living life to the full'* can only be fulfilled by being in communion with Jesus; to know him, to speak to him, to listen to him and to follow him. It is when we know Jesus that we can be confident of Paul's words from Romans Ch 8, that there is *'no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus'*, and then ultimately *live life to the full*. So I ask, is Jesus knocking on your door? If so, do you need to open it and open the door to life in all its fullness?

The Reverend Jim Edie

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. *(Music Festival taking place until Thursday 4 May so various rehearsals and concerts in the Abbey during this time – please refer to Festival programme available in the Abbey or contact the Parish Office. Coronation Civic Service – Friday 5 May (2.30 pm). Weddings – Saturday 13 May (2.00 pm) & Saturday 20 May (midday). St Aldhelm’s Day Service – Saturday 20 May (3.00 pm). School Service – Sunday 21 May (11.30 am). School Visit – Thursday 24 May (11.15 am & 1.00 pm).)*

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, Head Tour Guide*

Organ Recitals: On Mondays at 1.30 pm, free entry, retiring collection, all welcome:

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/>)

Monday 8 May 2023 – Simon Clarkson, Yeovil

Service Music: *Parish Eucharist:* Missa Brevis, Palestrina; Let all mortal flesh, Bairstow; Lord, I trust thee, Handel. Hymns: 112, 315 (288), 104, 113. *Choral Evensong:* Introit: We wait for thy loving kindness, McKie; Responses: Clucas; Psalm: 34 vv 1-8, 19-22, Parratt; Canticles: St Paul’s Service, Howells; Anthem: Fo lo, I raise up that bitter and hasty nation, Stanford; Hymns: 118, 336.

James Henderson, Director of Music

Prayer List: *The Sick:* Harry Bond, Bridget Hill, Chris Smallbone, John Bunnell, Julie Preece, Margaret Lovett & Alan Gillard. *Departed:* Yvonne Willway, Nora Hunt & Richard Smith. *Andrew Cross*

New Treasurer: We are looking to appoint a Treasurer for the Abbey. There is a remuneration package agreed for this post, with some voluntary contribution from the post holder as well. If you are or indeed if you know anyone who is an accountant and would like to offer yourself for this important role, please do contact me, *Martin Lee*, the Rector on 07725 593 100.

Coronation Civic Service: On Friday 5 May 2023; 2.30 pm; Sherborne Abbey. A service to celebrate King Charles III’s Coronation. All are welcome to attend. ***Please note: There will not be any parking available (including disabled parking) outside the Abbey on this day.*** We shall also be screening the Coronation in the Abbey on Saturday 6 May 2023 (service starts at 11.00 am). *Rev Martin Lee*

Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM): The APCM of Sherborne with Castleton & St Paul’s takes place on Sunday 7 May 2023; 7.00 pm; Sherborne Abbey. All are welcome to attend.

The Reverend Martin Lee

Longburton Coronation Cream Tea: Everyone is invited to a cream tea at St James, Longburton, on Sunday 7 May 2023 from 3.00 pm until 4.30 pm to celebrate the Coronation.

Longburton Village Café: On Tuesdays 9 & 23 May 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

Children’s Craft Activity Session: On Bank Holiday Monday 8 May 2023 from 10.00 am to midday in the Lady Chapel. Craft activities with a Coronation theme open to all visiting children – free entry and no charge for the activity. For more details please contact Sue Lee at the Parish Office. *Sue 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 10 May 2023 in St. Johns’ Almshouse Chapel from 4.00 pm to 4.30 pm. *Shirley Fry (01935 389124)*

Aldhelm – The Gathering: To celebrate St Aldhelm’s Day, on Saturday 20 May 2023, there will be groups with stalls, entertainers and short performances on The Abbey Close from 11.00 am. The celebration will close with a procession of ‘banners’ by each group into The Abbey for a service at 3.00 pm presided by the Bishop of Sherborne assisted by The Reverend Lesley McCreadie. Everyone is welcome to attend. For more details please email the organisers on aldhelm2023@gmail.com

Friends of Sherborne Abbey AGM: On Sunday 21 May 2023 in The Abbey at 7.00 pm. The AGM will follow a Friends’ Evensong at 6.00 pm & there will be a short reception between the two events to welcome you to the meeting. Everyone welcome to the AGM! *Dr Chris Hamon*

Mothers’ Union: On Friday 26 May 2023, 10.00 am – midday, Griffiths Room, Digby Memorial Church Hall. Slides & talk by Sheila Soper on South Sudan. Please also have a look at the MU’s Coronation display on their noticeboard near the Sepulchre Chapel in the Abbey. *Jo Higgs, MU*

Electoral Roll: The Electoral Roll for The Abbey, Castleton and St Paul’s has been revised in advance of the APCM on 7 May 2023 (7.00 pm in the Abbey) and a copy of the roll is now available for inspection in the Abbey, Castleton and St Paul’s. *Chris Hamon*

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*

Sherborne Abbey Festival 2023: On until Thursday 4 May 2023 with an amazing line-up of concerts taking place in the Abbey and other venues in Sherborne. Tickets: 0333 666 3366 or <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/sherborneabbeyfestival>. <https://www.sherborneabbeyfestival.org/>

The Benefice Team

Team Rector of Sherborne Abbey with Castleton, St Paul’s, Lillington and Longburton:

The Reverend Martin Lee

The Vicarage, Abbey Close, Sherborne, Dorset DT9 3LQ.

Tel: 01935 713777 or 07725 593100 Email: martinlee903@btinternet.com

Team Vicar:

The Reverend Jim Edie

with particular responsibility for St Paul’s

Church, Sherborne. St Paul’s Vicarage,

8 Kings Road, Sherborne DT9 4HU

Tel: 01935 816444 (office)/revjim.edie@gmail.com

Associate Priest:

The Reverend Hugh Bonsey

with particular responsibility for

St Martin of Tours, Lillington

11 Fairfield, Bristol Road, Sherborne,

Dorset DT9 4HG. Tel: 01935 812749

St Mary Magdalene, Castleton and St James the Great, Longburton

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

(Sue.Lee@sherborneabbey.com) for enquiries about these two churches.

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

Email: Joanna.Sams@sherborneabbey.com

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/>