



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

Good Friday & Easter Eve Services

THE ABBEY - Good Friday 7 April 2023: Readings and Reflection – 12 noon; The Good Friday Liturgy – 1.00 pm; The Last Hour of the Cross Devotion – 2.00 pm.

Easter Eve, Saturday 8 April 2023: The Easter Liturgy – 8.00 pm.

CASTLETON CHURCH & LONGBURTON CHURCH

Good Friday 7 April 2023: Devotional Service – 10.00 am

STPAULS@THEGRYPHON - Good Friday 7 April 2023: Reflective Service – 10.30 am

Sunday 9 April 2023 – Easter Day

THE ABBEY

8.00 am BCP Holy Communion Celebrant: The Reverend John Townend

9.30 am Parish Eucharist (*please note that incense will be used at this service*)

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rt Reverend Stephen Lake, Bishop of Salisbury

Deacons: The Reverend John Townend & The Reverend Christopher Huitson

Collect: Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity. Amen.

Readings: Acts Ch 10: v 34 – 43; John Ch 20: v 1 - 18

Hymns: 110 & 112, 113, 105 (ii), 120

11.30 am Festal Mattins Officiant: Canon Charles Mitchell-Innes

(*There will be a quarter peal, prior to Evensong, rung by the Abbey ringers & friends (some of whom will be ringing in Vernet-les-Bains in the Pyrenees next week).*)

6.00 pm Choral Evensong Officiant: The Reverend John Townend

CASTLETON CHURCH

11.00 am Festal Mattins Officiant/Celebrant: The Reverend Hugh Bonsey
followed by shortened BCP HC (*please note earlier start time*)

LILLINGTON CHURCH Officiant/Celebrant: The Reverend Hugh Bonsey

9.30 am Family Service & HC (*please note earlier start time*)

LONGBURTON CHURCH

10.00 am Village Communion Celebrant: The Reverend Lesley McCreadie

STPAULS@THEGRYPHON Leaders & Speakers: The Reverend Jim Edie & family

10.30 am All Age Holy Communion

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

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1st Friday of the month at 9.00 am – Requiem Holy Communion - The Sepulchre Chapel - (next service on Friday 5 May 2023 (*due to 1st Friday in April being Good Friday*)).

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 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.)

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 McCreddie

(followed by APCM)

STPAULS@THEGRYPHON

10.30 am Morning Worship Leader: Sandra Cutting

Speaker: John Crossman

Thought for the Day

If we were to start looking at the world in which we live and began to write down where there is conflict, natural disaster, incidents of maltreatment, the list goes on and it becomes a long task, so we won't.

During this Holy Week, we have been led through the journey which Jesus took for us and reminded how his suffering was indeed for us, to pay the price for the sinfulness of all humanity. Whatever emotion we might have felt this week, in our prayers and in the beautiful music which we were treated to on Monday with our choir, arriving at Easter Sunday is to arrive and feel a sense of inner peace, of great joy and exuberance. Seeing our beautiful Abbey decorated with such resplendent elegance, brings us to be reminded that the hope and joy of the empty tomb, is always with us, for we are Easter People. So may we shine in the world as people of the resurrection, full of hope and joy.

The Reverend Martin Lee

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. (*Memorial Service – Friday 14 April (3.00 pm). 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:

Bank Holiday Monday 10 April 2023 – Peter King, Organist Emeritus, Bath Abbey

Monday 17 April 2023 - Peter Bray, Assistant Organist, Sherborne Abbey

Service Music: *Parish Eucharist:* Missa Brevis Sancti Joannis de Deo, Haydn; This joyful Eastertide, Ledger; Rise, heart, thy Lord is risen, Vaughan Williams. Hymns: 110 & 112, 113, 105 (ii), 120. *Festal Mattins:* Introit: This joyful Eastertide, Wood; Responses: Smith; Psalm: 111, Woods; Te Deum: Stanford in C; Jubilate: Britten in E flat; Anthem: Rise, heart, thy Lord is risen, Vaughan Williams; Hymns: 103, 107, 119. *Choral Evensong:* Introit: This joyful Eastertide, Wood; Responses: Clucas; Psalm: 150, Stanford; Canticles: Wood in F; Anthem: Blessed be the God and Father, S S Wesley; Hymns: 117, 124.

James Henderson, Director of Music

Prayer List: *The Sick:* Harry Bond, Bridget Hill, Chris Smallbone, John Bunnell, Julie Preece, Margaret Lovett and Fr Martin. *Departed:* Sheila Sharman, Philip Blair, Zora Brown, Julie King, David Weller, Dorothy Sauer 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 Tuesdays 11 & 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. *Lesley McCreadie*

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 12 April 2023 in St. Johns' Almshouse Chapel from 4.00 pm to 4.30 pm.

Shirley Fry (01935 389124)

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.

Visiting Bellringers: We are delighted to welcome ringers from Oxford University on Tuesday 11 April 2023 who will be ringing for an hour from 9.30 am.

Tim Phillips, Tower Captain

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

Planned (blue) Gift Aid Envelopes: Currently the blue envelopes are not available and we are working to rectify this. In the meantime, could we ask those who normally have them to use the standard white envelopes available in the Abbey or from the office. Thank you. *David Ferguson*

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

Exhibition of Paintings: Entitled 'A Pilgrimage Towards Grace', it features paintings by Cecily Dodwell and will take place in the Bow Chapel from Sunday 2 April until Thursday 13 April 2023 (10.00 am – 3.30 pm). All welcome!
The Reverend Martin Lee

Abbey Tours: Our regular guided tours of the Abbey, on Tuesdays at 10.30 am and Fridays at 2.00 pm (excluding Good Friday 7 April 2023) 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.

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.

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>.

Parish Office: The office is closed on Good Friday 7 April 2023 and Easter Monday 10 April 2023. The office will also close at 1.00 pm (12.30 pm Friday) from Tuesday 11 April – Friday 14 April 2023 inclusive.
The Reverend Martin Lee

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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/>