



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 October 2023 – 19th Sunday after Trinity

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 Rebecca McDonnell

Collect: O God, forasmuch as without you we are not able to please you; mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; 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: Philippians Ch 4: v 1 – 9; Matthew Ch 22: v 1 - 14

Hymns: 436, 391, 272, 427

(The bell ringers will be ringing a quarter peal from 4.30 pm.)

6.00 pm Choral Evensong

Officiant:

The Reverend Martin Lee

CASTLETON CHURCH

11.15 am Mattins

Officiant:

The Reverend Hugh Bonsey

LILLINGTON CHURCH

9.30 am Morning Service

Officiant:

The Reverend Hugh Bonsey

LONGBURTON CHURCH

10.00 am Family Communion

Celebrant:

The Reverend Pene Kennedy

STPAULS@THEGRYPHON (*Intergenerational Service: Philippians Ch 4: v 6 - 7*)

10.30am All Age Worship

Leader & Speaker:

The Reverend Jim Edie

Monday 16 October 2023 – Pack Monday Service

Do please join us for this inaugural short act of worship in the Abbey at 2.30 pm.

Officiant: The Reverend Martin Lee

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

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 November 2023)

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

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

Sunday 22 October 2023 – 20th Sunday after Trinity

THE ABBEY

8.00 am BCP Holy Communion

Celebrant:

The Reverend Martin Lee

9.30 am Parish Eucharist

Celebrant:

The Reverend Martin Lee

Preacher:

Canon Charles Mitchell-Innes

6.00 pm Choral Evensong

Officiant:

The Reverend Martin Lee

CASTLETON CHURCH

11.15 am Mattins

Officiant:

The Reverend Hugh Bonsey

LILLINGTON CHURCH

9.30 am Morning Service

Officiant:

The Reverend Hugh Bonsey

(There is a memorial service at Castleton on Friday 27 October 2023 at 11.00 am.)

Longburton Church

10.00 am Said Holy Communion

Celebrant:

The Reverend Pene Kennedy

STPAULS@THEGRYPHON

No service – Ammerdown Retreat weekend away – anyone not going on the retreat are encouraged to attend one of the other services in the Benefice.

Thought for the Day

“Give us back our 11 days!” shouted the protesters in 1782 (or so we are led to believe). This was the time when Protestant England enacted a civic law under which England adopted the Gregorian Calendar, as opposed to keeping the Julian Calendar which had existed since Roman times.

Ever since the Council of Nicea in 325 AD, the Julian Calendar had been out of kilter with the movement of the Earth and Sun until 10 days were adrift in 1582. The new calendar, promulgated by Pope Gregory XIII to fix the correct date of Easter, was seen by Protestants and Eastern Orthodox Christians as a popish plot and they refused to take part at that time.

Today we celebrate the life of St Teresa of Avila, the Spanish Mystic and Carmelite Reformer, who died either in the evening of 4 October or in the morning of 15 October 1582. Since that fateful evening, all the countries of the world bar five have adopted the new calendar at various times.

Imagine today if we still hadn't followed Gregory's calendar. Even fractions of a second are corrected by financial institutions around the world today in business transactions – never mind 11 days!

The Reverend Hugh Bonsey

Notices

Visiting Hours: The Abbey is open to visitors (free of charge) 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/Memorial Services – Thursday 19 October (1.00 pm), Tuesday 24 October (1.00 pm), Wednesday 25 October (12.30 pm), Friday 3 November (12.30 pm) & Friday 24 November (2.00 pm). Visiting Choir Rehearsal – Saturday 28 October (from 4.15 pm).*

Service Music: *Parish Eucharist:* Missa O quam gloriosum, Victoria; Ave verum, Byrd; O holy spirit, Lord of grace, Tye; Locus iste, Bruckner; Hymns: 436, 391, 272, 427. *Choral Evensong:* Introit: Tantum ergo, Séverac; Reponses: Clucas; Psalm: 39, Parratt; Canticles: Howells in G; Anthem: Hail, gladdening light, Wood; Hymns: 476, 475.

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

Pack Monday 16 October 2023 – Paul Ellis, Organist Emeritus, Sherborne Abbey

Monday 23 October 2023 – no recital

Visiting Choir: We are delighted to welcome The Saint John Singers who will be singing a Choral Evensong on Saturday 28 October 2023 at 5.30 pm. The choir will also be singing at the 9.30 am Eucharist and 6.00 pm Choral Evensong on Sunday 29 October 2023. All are welcome to attend these service.

James Henderson, Director of Music

Prayer List: *The Sick:* Harry Bond, Bridget Hill, Chris Smallbone, Alan Gillard, Robert Harris, Judith Spelman. *Departed:* Anne Turberville, Brenda Bartle, Stephen Rose, Bev Brewer & Joe Herbert.

Pack Monday Tours of Sherborne Abbey: Tour guides will be available on Monday 16 October 2023 between 10.00 am – 12.30 pm and 3.00 pm – 5.00 pm when they will be happy to take you on a short tour and/or answer any questions you may have.

Harold Clarke, Head Tour Guide

Cakes for the Pack Monday Café: We would be very grateful to receive gifts of cakes, biscuits and tray bakes. Please indicate if your cake includes eggs, milk, nuts, sesame or gluten and it helps not to slice your bake as we cut similar portions for ease of pricing. Cakes may be brought to the Abbey on Sunday 15 October or to the Digby Memorial Hall on the morning of 16 October, Pack Monday. Please label your plates and tins so that we can return them to you! Thank you.

Frances Walker

All Souls' Requiem List: The list is now on one of the tables at the back of the Abbey for you to enter the names of those you wish to be remembered on All Souls' Day. The Requiem Eucharist will take place on Thursday 2 November 2023 at midday in the Abbey.

Vergers

Longburton Village Café: On Tuesdays 24 October, 7 & 21 November 2023, 10.30 am – noon, in the village church of St James. The café provides tea, coffee (free refills) & great cakes, just £2.00.

Julian Group: Not a prayer group; just an opportunity to share ½ hour's silence & meditation with fellow Christians and let God speak to us. The meetings are ecumenical & are very refreshing - why not give it a try? Our next meeting on Wednesday 8 November 2023 and will be held in the Sepulchre Chapel, Sherborne Abbey from 4.00 pm – 4.30 pm.

Shirley Fry (01935 389124)

Abbey Bell Ringers: We are sad to announce the death of Joe Herbert, previous Tower Captain for 25 years. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family and friends.

Mothers' Union: On Friday 27 October 2023; 10.00 am – midday; Griffiths Room, Digby Memorial Church Hall; '*Coffee, Cake & Craft*', the art of making Christmas cards led by a member of the Abbey's congregation who sends beautiful cards! Please bring a green and a red pencil, pen or felt tip. Paper provided. All welcome!

Jo Higgs, MU Secretary

Day of Prayer and Gifts: This will take place on Saturday 28 October 2023 in the Abbey. Further details will be sent out to those on the electoral roll and will then also be at the back of the Abbey.

The Reverend Martin Lee

Toy Sunday: On Sunday 26 November 2023, the Feast of Christ the King, is **Toy Sunday** throughout the Benefice. This is the day on which all five of our churches welcome gifts of toys, books and games for children and young people, plus toiletries/PJs for the mums (to make up ‘pamper hampers’), who would otherwise have a lean time of it at Christmas. The recipients will be the North Dorset Women’s Refuge and other local charities. Everything now depends on gathering a wonderful array of gifts. **All** gifts must be **new** and also **unwrapped** (except for their original packaging, of course). Single bedding is also welcome, again must be **new**. Please bring your gift to your church or drop off at the Parish Office. Very many thanks. *The Reverend Martin Lee*

“A Taste of Syria”: Delicious Middle Eastern cooking, sharing tasty dishes, homemade in Sherborne on Monday 23 October 2023 at St Paul’s Church Hall, 6.30 pm for 7.00 pm. Buffet tickets: £20.00 each from tasteofsyriatickets@gmail.com. 50% of profits going to the National Autistic Society. *Cath Adam*

Abbey Shop: We are now selling the popular and inviting annual guide ‘Daily Reflections for Advent & Christmas – Waiting in Joyful Hope 2023-2024’ in the shop. *Phil Prout, Shop Manager*

Friends’ Christmas Cards: Available for sale in the Abbey – come and stock up! *Chris Hamon*

Dementia Friends: We may know someone in our family, a friend or neighbour who has dementia and wonder how we can help them. On Saturday 11 November 2023 (11.00 am – 12 midday, St Paul’s Church, St Paul’s Close, DT9 4DU) Charlotte Parsons, a Dementia Friends Ambassador, will lead an informal session which will address many of our concerns. Do come. Dementia Friends is a social action movement designed so that anyone can get involved and not only improve their understanding of dementia but also contribute to making their community more dementia-friendly. Please contact Sue Hawkett 07867 538052 for more information. *Sue Hawkett*

Parish Office: The office will be closed on Pack Monday, 16 October 2023. *Parish Office*

The Benefice Team

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St Mary Magdalene, Castleton & St James the Great, Longburton - Contact Sue Lee at the Parish Office (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/>