



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 8 October 2023 – 18th Sunday after Trinity

THE ABBEY

8.00 am BCP Holy Communion

Celebrant:

The Reverend Katie Windle

9.30 am Parish Eucharist

Celebrant:

The Reverend Martin Lee

Preacher:

The Reverend Robert Green

Deacon:

The Reverend Rebecca McDonnell

Collect: Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us your gift of faith that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to that which is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; 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 3: v 4b – 14; Matthew Ch 21: v 33 – end

Hymns: 410, 407, 295, 296

6.00 pm Choral Evensong

Officiant:

The Reverend Martin Lee

CASTLETON CHURCH

11.15 am BCP Holy Communion

Celebrant:

The Reverend Hugh Bonsey

LILLINGTON CHURCH

9.30 am BCP Holy Communion

Celebrant:

The Reverend Hugh Bonsey

LONGBURTON CHURCH

10.00 am Family Communion

Celebrant:

The Reverend Lesley McCreadie

STPAULS@THEGRYPHON (*Theme: Little Book, Big Message: Jude*)

10.30am Morning Worship

Leader:

The Reverend Jim Edie

Speaker:

Kim Dunning

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 3 November 2023)

The Abbey - Weekday Services continued

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 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

(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

Thought for the Day

In some churches this time of the year is called *Creationtide*. At this time of the year, when in this part of the world we have been focused on harvest and giving thanks for the fruits of the earth, you can see how this has come about.

On Wednesday of this last week the church also celebrated the feast day of St Francis of Assisi who of course is often dubbed the patron saint of animals and nature. I was so pleased to hear Tony Lumby pray for dogs in the intercessions last Sunday, but as someone in front of me said, 'I'm sure cats are included too!' Those who accompany us day by day of the four-legged kind are such important parts of our lives. Francis is also known these days as the 'Eco Saint'. We certainly need to think about our relationship with the created world in a kinder more connected way; the way Francis advocated 800 years ago. You only have to read his *Canticle of the Sun*, to see how much he realised our interconnectedness with all that is around us.

In these days of climate change, global warming and so much else, as Christians we have a duty to set a good example of how things can be done differently. This is why we should celebrate our new heating system and let people know that as a church we are doing our bit. But there is more to do if creation is to survive for our grandchildren to enjoy, and not only survive, but thrive as God intended.

The Reverend Lesley McCreadie

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. *Wedding – Saturday 7 October (3.00 pm). School Service – Sunday 8 October (11.30 am). Funeral/Memorial Services – Friday 13 October (midday), Tuesday 24 October (1.00 pm) & Wednesday 25 October (12.30 pm). Visiting Choir Rehearsal – Saturday 28 October (from 4.15 pm).*

Service Music: *Parish Eucharist:* Missa Aeterna Christi munera, Palestrina; O Lord, give thy holy spirit, Tallis; O taste and see, Vaughan Williams; Tantum ergo, Séverac; Hymns: 410, 407, 295, 296. *Choral Evensong:* Introit: In pace, Blitheman; Reponses: Smith; Psalm 18 vv 1-14 Pye, Camidge; Canticles: Fifth Service, Tomkins; Anthem: Lord, I trust thee, Handel; Hymns: 64, 373 (Coe Fen).

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

Monday 9 October 2023 – Arthur Hope-Barton, Organ Scholar, Sherborne School & Abbey

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

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 services; free entry.

James Henderson, Director of Music

Prayer List: *The Sick:* Harry Bond, Bridget Hill, Chris Smallbone, Alan Gillard, Robert Harris, Judith Spelman. *Departed:* Jane Edward, Anne Turberville, Peter Armitstead, Brenda Bartle, Irené Lillingston-Price & Jeremy Finch.

Vergers

Longburton Village Café: On Tuesdays 10 & 24 October 2023, 10.30 am – noon, in the village church of St James. The café provides tea, coffee (free refills) & great cakes, just £2.00.

Autumn Discussion Group – the Psalms: I will be running another discussion group and this time we will be looking at the Psalms. We will meet over 6 weeks starting Wednesday 11 October 2023 through to Wednesday 15 November 2023 from 2.00 pm – 3.00 pm in the Studio, Digby Memorial Church Hall. If you would like to join us, or know more, please give me a call - 01935 321106 or email jb910@icloud.com. *(Please note change of time!)*

John Bradshaw

Coffee Morning: You are invited to the Friends' Coffee Morning on Wednesday 11 October 2023, 10.30 am - 1.00 pm, Digby Memorial Hall. An informal opportunity to meet over tea or coffee with a slice of cake! Do join us and bring a friend, or friends! It would be helpful, for catering purposes, if you could RSVP to Joanna.Sams@sherborneabbey.com. Thank you.

Frances Gomme-Duncan

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 11 October 2023 and will be held in the Sepulchre Chapel, Sherborne Abbey from 4.00 pm – 4.30 pm.

Shirley Fry (01935 389124)

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

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

Abbey Visitors: Over the summer, the Guardians have welcomed almost 20,000 visitors! *J Huitson*

Morris Minor Association: On Sunday 8 October 2023 there will be 15 Morris Minors parked outside the Abbey from 2.00 – 5.00 pm. Do come and have a look! *Please note: There will be no parking outside the Abbey on this afternoon due to this display.*

Vergers

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

Harvest Lunch: We enjoyed a large gathering at this year's Lunch which, I am delighted to report, raised £400.00 for the Sudan Medical Link. Thank you to all of you who came, who helped make extra puddings for the increased numbers and who donated raffle prizes.
Frances Walker

Harvest Gifts & Donations: Thank you all for your contributions which were gratefully received by the Sherborne Food Bank. The collection total of £633.14 (including gift aid) will be split between the Sudan Medical Link and Christian Aid. Thank you so much.
Nigel Chappell, Treasurer

Volunteer Stewards: We are looking for volunteers to help steward events/concerts in the Abbey. If you are interested please contact the Parish Office. Of course, this would mean you get to view the event free of charge! So if you may be available on an ad hoc basis please let us know?!

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

Eco-Church: The PCC asked me to start a committee to look at all aspects of church life relating to our environment and ways of protecting God's wonderful creation. I am keen for all the churches in our benefice to achieve the minimum Bronze standard as rated by the organisation A Rocha. Topics range from Worship & Training, Buildings, Land, Community & Lifestyle. So, whether you are retired clergy, flower arranger, prayer warrior or a congregant who has a real heart for all things environmentally friendly, would like to join our committee? I look forward to hearing from you. Thank you. Contact: suebradshaw24@gmail.com/07715 446416
Sue Bradshaw

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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/>