



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 1 September 2024 – 14th Sunday after Trinity

THE ABBEY

8.00 am BCP Holy Communion	Celebrant:	The Reverend Martin Lee
9.30 am Parish Eucharist	Celebrant & Preacher:	The Reverend Martin Lee
	Deacon:	The Reverend Rebecca McDonnell

Collect: Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; 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: James Ch 1: v 17 – end; Mark Ch 7: v 1 – 8, 14 – 15, 21 - 23

Hymns: 234(ii) & 238, 256, 363, 420

6.00 pm Choral Evensong	Officiant:	The Reverend Martin Lee
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CASTLETON CHURCH

11.15 am Mattins	Officiant:	Canon Charles Mitchell-Innes
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STPAULS@THEGRYPHON (*Theme: "Back to School"*)

10.30 am All Age Family Worship	Leader & Speaker:	The Reverend Jim Edie
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LILLINGTON CHURCH

9.30 am Family Service	Officiant:	The Reverend John Townend
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LONGBURTON CHURCH

10.00 am Holy Communion	Celebrant:	The Reverend Pene Kennedy
4.00 pm 'Back to School' Service	Officiants:	The Reverend Lesley McCreadie The Reverend Rebecca McDonnell

The Abbey – Weekday/Monthly 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 (CW/BCP) – The Lady Chapel

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 Friday 6 September)

The Abbey – Weekday/Monthly Services continued

3rd Friday of the month at 11.00 am – Remembering the Fallen (next service Friday 20 Sept 2024)

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

Thought for the Day

Last Thursday the Church remembered the Beheading of John the Baptist.

John was a significant figure in the 1st century, as he drew people to the desert with his message of repentance and the offering of Baptism in the River Jordan. Spiritual renewal was required in preparation for the coming Kingdom of God. All sections of society were addressed by John, including the elites, some of whom despised him.

It is possible that Jesus was one of his disciples. The message that John gave to his followers was similar to the message of Jesus; although later, Jesus emphasised the mercy and love of God. The Church views John's missionary work as being a preparation for the ministry of Jesus.

The important fact to be remembered and recognised is that Jesus' ministry was able to flourish after John's death. The preparatory work of John bore fruit in the transitional nature of the work of the two men.

The continuity of disciples from John to Jesus, shown by Andrew and others, shows the close relationship between the two ministries.

The nature of John's death served as a foreshadowing of the death of Jesus. Both men suffered as a result of being critical of those in authority, and both died as martyrs in one sense; with Jesus also dying a sacrificial death for the redemption of humanity.

The Reverend Hugh Bonsey

Sunday 8 September 2024 – 15th Sunday after Trinity/ Anniversary of the King's Accession

THE ABBEY

8.00 am BCP Holy Communion	Celebrant:	The Reverend Martin Lee
9.30 am Parish Eucharist	Celebrant:	The Reverend Martin Lee
<i>Patronal Festival</i>	Preacher:	The Reverend Rebecca McDonnell
<i>(There is a baptism in the Abbey at midday.)</i>		
6.00 pm Choral Evensong	Officiant:	The Reverend Martin Lee

CASTLETON CHURCH

11.15 am BCP Holy Communion	Celebrant:	The Reverend Rebecca McDonnell
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STPAULS@THEGRYPHON

(Theme: "Receiving & Giving/Prayer & Provision: God's generosity and ours")

10.30 am Holy Communion	Leader & Speaker:	The Reverend Jim Edie
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LILLINGTON CHURCH

9.30 am BCP Holy Communion	Celebrant:	The Reverend Brenda Phillips
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LONGBURTON CHURCH

10.00 am Family Communion	Celebrant:	The Reverend Lesley McCreadie
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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. *School Services: Sunday 1 September (2.00 pm) & Tuesday 3 September (9.15 am). Wedding: Saturday 7 September (1.00 pm). Baptism: Sunday 8 September (midday). School/Concert rehearsals: Thursday 12 September (4.00 pm) & Saturday 14 September (1.30 pm).*

Prayer List: *The Sick:* Harry Bond, Chris Smallbone, Alan Gillard, Josephine Vincent, Peter Dunkin, Vivien Best, Rosie Taylor, Judith Spellman, Doreen Elderkin, Gillian Hornby, HM The King & HRH The Princess of Wales. *The Departed:* Phil Cuff & Gayna Hankey. *Andrew Cross, Head Verger*

Service Music (Sunday 1 September) (*sung by adult members of the Abbey Choir*): *Parish Eucharist:* Setting: Ireland in C; Anthems: *Ave verum*, Mozart; *Gloria tibi, domine*, Byrd; Hymns: 234(ii) & 238, 256, 363, 420. *Choral Evensong:* Introit: *Gloria tibi, domine*, Byrd; Responses: Plainsong; Psalm: 6 Monk; Canticles: Stanford *in B flat*; Anthem: *I will lift up mine eyes*, Walker; Hymns: 341, 342.

Abbey Music: The adults of the Abbey Choir return this Sunday, with the new Choral/Organ Scholars and the new Assistant Director of Music, Dr Charlie Gurnham, singing—and Peter Bray, our Assistant Organist, on the organ. The boys return to their early morning rehearsals next week and then resume singing the following weekend. The Girls' Choir begin singing their weekly services on Thursdays from 19 September at 5.30 pm. *James Henderson, Director of Music*

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

Monday 9 September 2024 – Simon Clarkson, Yeovil

Monday 16 September 2024 – Peter Bray, Assistant Organist, Sherborne Abbey

Organists' Visit: On Thursday 12 September 2024, we welcome the North Hampshire Organists' Association who will be playing the organ for an hour from 11.00 am.

Message from Shirley Fry: “My heartfelt thanks to all of you who sent cards of condolence at the sad death of my dear Tony and the beautiful words you wrote. Thank you too for coming to his service. There is a big hole in my life but your kindness and prayers are helping to fill it. God Bless you, with love, Shirley” *Shirley Fry*

Dorset Historic Churches Trust Ride & Stride Event (Saturday 14 September 2024): Do have a look at the board at the west end of the Abbey showing Mike Keatinge's proposed amazing 50 mile Dorset bike ride route visiting a possible 24 churches, as well as Eric Jager's splendid 40 mile run route visiting about 19 churches – both in aid of this charity. Please support them by donating via the yellow DHCT envelopes (available in the Abbey) with gift aid if possible. Thank you very much. *Hilary Leavey*

Threads Through Creation Exhibition: On now in the Abbey until Sunday 6 October 2024 - a spectacular sequence of twelve huge textile panels (1.5m (8ft) high by 4m (13ft) wide). It is an exuberant retelling of the creation story in the book of Genesis, which many visitors will find both moving and breathtaking as you are treated to a wonderful variety of colours, shapes, patterns – and of course lots of creatures! – in a vibrant combination of layers of silk, hand-dyed materials, metallic leathers and gold leaf, miles of thread—and more than eight million stitches! The exhibition is one of the largest textile projects by a single artist, ever. It has taken Jacqui Parkinson nearly three years. Admission is free but donations to the upkeep and maintenance of the Abbey are very welcome. <https://www.jacqui-textile.com/creation/> *Jonathan Rodd*

Dorset Youth for Christ 'Youth Hangout': A space for young people (Yrs 6 – 11) to connect with others their age, play some games & explore the Christian faith. 2nd Sunday of the month, next Sunday 8 September 2024, 6.30 pm – 7.30 pm, Cheap Street Church Hall.

Friends of Sherborne Abbey Outing to Winchester (Tuesday 10 September 2024): Please note that this trip is now fully booked! *Chris Hamon/Frances Gomme-Duncan*

Julian Group: Not a prayer group; an opportunity to share ½ hour's silence & meditation with fellow Christians and let God speak to us. Meetings are ecumenical & very refreshing. Next meeting: Wed 11 Sept 2024, Lady Chapel, Abbey, 4.00 pm – 4.30 pm. *Shirley Fry (01935 389124)*

Longburton Village Café: Held in the village church of St James, the café provides tea, coffee (free refills) & great cakes for just £2.00. Tuesday 10 & 24 Sept 2024 from 10.30 am - noon.

Remembering the Fallen: This short service takes places monthly (3rd Friday), at 11.00 am in the Lady Chapel. Next service: Friday 20 September 2024. Following prayers, a member of the Devonshire & Dorset Regimental Association reads the names from one page each of the two Dorset Regiment Books of Remembrance, the Sherborne Book of Remembrance and The Rifles Book of Remembrance. The service concludes with the Last Post, Two Minutes' Silence, Reveille and Blessing. All are welcome. *The Reverend Martin Lee*

Mothers' Union: The next meeting is on Friday 27 September 2024 at 10.00 am in the Griffiths Room, Digby Memorial Church Hall. The speaker is John Stokoe on the topic of The Friends of the Yeatman Hospital. All welcome! *Jo Higgs (musecretary@sherborneabbey.com)*

Sherborne Abbey Regular Guided Tours: Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays (10.30 am), Wednesdays & Fridays (2.00 pm) and Sundays (11.15 am) (2.00 pm if a Sunday morning baptism is taking place). Just turn up; 45 mins – 1 hour; no charge (donations appreciated). If you have a large group, please contact Joanna in the Parish Office (01935 713777). *Harold Clarke*

Donations to Sherborne Abbey PCC - The running of our wonderful Abbey costs £5.00 per minute - not to mention our other churches! We rely on donations to help maintain them – if you could kindly '*spare a minute*' to make a donation please use this QR code or the card machine in the Abbey. Thank you so much.



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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.

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