



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 13 October 2024 – 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 & Deacon:	The Reverend Robert Green

Collect: God, the giver of life, whose Holy Spirit wells up within your Church: by the Spirit's gifts equip us to live the gospel of Christ and make us eager to do your will, that we may share with the whole creation the joys of eternal life; 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: Hebrews Ch 4: v 12 – end; Mark Ch 10: v 17 - 31

Hymns: 265, 486, 315(288), 420

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

11.15 am BCP Holy Communion	Celebrant:	The Reverend Hugh Bonsey
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(There is a baptism at Castleton at 2.00 pm.)

STPAULS@THEGRYPHON *(Theme: "Revelation Series: Jesus – The Lion & The Lamb")*

10.30 am Holy Communion	Leader:	The Reverend Rebecca McDonnell
	Speaker:	Kim Dunning

LILLINGTON CHURCH

9.30 am BCP Holy Communion	Celebrant:	The Reverend Hugh Bonsey
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LONGBURTON CHURCH

10.00 am Family Communion	Celebrant:	The Reverend Lesley McCreadie
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Monday 14 October 2024 – The Abbey – 2.30 pm

Pack Monday Service – a short act of worship – all welcome!

Thursday 17 October 2024 – Choral Evensong – 5.30 pm

Weekly midweek Evensongs in the Abbey sung by the Girls' Choir, with our loyal 'back rows'.

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

The Abbey – Weekday/Monthly Services continued

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 (Fri 1 Nov will be an Ecumenical service due to All Souls Requiem on Saturday 2 November at 10 .00 am.)

3rd Friday of the month at 11.00 am – Remembering the Fallen (next service Friday 18 Oct 2024)

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

Thought for the Day

Tomorrow Pack Monday Fair will be with us again. There is something reassuring about an annual event whose origins are lost in the mists of time, a traditional festivity that many remember from their childhood and one which draws people to share the buzz of the town en fête. John Masefield, in his old age, as Poet Laureate, recalled the effect that ‘the great yearly marvel called the October Fair’ in Ledbury had on him as a small boy in the 1870s : ‘the aspect of the Market Place was one of entrancing interest, noise and glad excitement.’ Among other stalls ‘there were egg and cheese and butter sellers, and the cheap-jacks, with their patter, and their piles of crockery.’ Like Pack Monday, it was originally also a hiring fair and a showcase for the buying and selling of farm animals, and, again like Pack Monday, still continues today with market traders’ stalls. But of course much of the character and many details of these fairs have changed over the years, and that may be a cause of regret, even sorrow, for some. Masefield concludes, ‘All the joy of that old England was there every year, and I could have known it, and did not know it’ (*Grace Before Ploughing, 1966*).

Our Fair, by some accounts, had its origin in the completion of the building of the Abbey, and there is a special service for all tomorrow afternoon. Certainly our Abbey stands as a visible monument to the unbroken continuity of worship over the centuries, celebrating the God who does not change but is a steadfast and sure foundation, as the Psalmist affirms : ‘*Thou, O Lord, shall endure for ever, and thy remembrance throughout all generations... Thou art the same, and thy years shall not fail*’ (Ps 63).
Canon Charles Mitchell-Innes

Sunday 20 October 2024 – Feast of St Luke

THE ABBEY

8.00 am BCP Holy Communion	Celebrant:	The Reverend Rebecca McDonnell
9.30 am Parish Eucharist	Celebrant:	The Reverend Martin Lee
	Preachers:	Henry, Tilly and Tom
6.00 pm Choral Evensong	Officiant:	The Reverend Martin Lee

CASTLETON CHURCH

11.15 am Mattins	Officiant:	The Reverend John Townend
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STPAULS@THEGRYPHON (*Theme: “Revelation Series: I stand at the door and knock”*)

10.30 am All Age Worship	Leaders:	The Broadley Family
	Speaker:	The Reverend Jim Edie

LILLINGTON CHURCH

9.30 am Morning Service	Officiant:	The Reverend John Townend
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Longburton Church

10.00 am Family Communion	Celebrant:	The Reverend Pene Kennedy
	Preacher:	The Reverend Brenda Phillips

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: Wed 16 October (midday), Thurs 17 October (1.30 pm) & Fri 1 November (2.00 pm). Wedding: Sat 16 November (11.00 am). Choir Rehearsal: Sat 30 November (1.30 pm).*

Prayer List: *The Sick:* Harry Bond, Chris Smallbone, Alan Gillard, Peter Dunkin, Rosie Taylor, Judith Spellman, Doreen Elderkin. *The Departed:* John Newbury, Gillian Hornby, Vivien Best, Sylvia Brick, John Mason & Ivan Oldaker (*'Ivan the Cobbler'*). *Andrew Cross, Head Verger*

Service Music (Sunday 13 October): *Parish Eucharist:* Setting: Mass for four voices, Byrd; Anthems: Ave verum, Mozart; Ave Maria, Parsons; Hymns: 265, 486, 315(288), 420. *Choral Evensong:* Introit: O nata lux, Tallis; Responses: Ayleward; Psalm: 18 vv 1-14 Pye, Camidge; Canticles: Howells in G; Anthem: Leaf from leaf Christ knows, Judith Weir; Hymns: 64, 373 (Coe Fen).

Service Music (Thursday 17 October): Introit: Lead me Lord, Wesley; Responses: Ferial; Psalm: 12, Barnby; Canticles: Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis for Upper Voices, James Henderson; Anthem: The Call, Vaughan Williams; Hymns: 251, 377. *James Henderson, Director of Music*

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

Pack Monday 14 Oct **Popular Organ Recital** – James Henderson, Dir of Music, Sherborne Abbey (something a little different for Pack Monday with a nod in the direction of theatre organ music).

Abbey Choirs: Do you know any good tenors or basses who would like to join the "back rows" both of the boys' choir and the girls' choir? Those of you who attend Choral Evensong on Thursdays will have noticed [and heard] that it is the same loyal back row singers who sing on Sundays that are now also singing on Thursdays. Given that, apart from the Choral Scholars and the two Vincent Evans award-holders, they are entirely voluntary, we are indeed fortunate to have such able adults supporting our ambitious and cathedral-like repertoire. Nonetheless we do have vacancies for **two tenors and one bass**. If you know anyone who may be interested in auditioning for a place in the Abbey Choirs, who is a good sight-reader and wants to be part of a friendly team that rehearses on Friday evenings ahead of the services, please do point them in our direction via the Parish Office (01935 713777) or directly to me james.henderson@sherborneabbey.com

Pack Monday (14 October 2024 at the Abbey): 10.00 am – 12.30 pm and 3.00 pm – 5.00 pm: *Tour Guides* available to answer questions and/or give short guided tours. 1.30 pm: *Organ Recital* by James Henderson, Director of Music (free entry, retiring collection). 2.30 pm: *Pack Monday Service* - a short act of worship. Plus 9.00 am - 3.30 pm: *Pack Monday Café* – run by our Social Committee in the Digby Memorial Hall - do visit for tea/coffee and cakes! *All welcome to these events!*

Cakes for the Pack Monday Café (14 October 2024): We would be very grateful to receive gifts of cakes, biscuits etc. Please indicate if your bake includes eggs, milk, nuts, sesame or gluten and don't slice your bake as we cut similar portions for ease of pricing. Cakes may be brought to the Abbey on Sunday 13 October or to the hall on the morning of Pack Monday, 14 October. Please label your plates and tins so that we can return them to you! Thank you. *Frances Walker*

Church Wardens' Presentation: You are warmly invited to attend a post-Eucharist party in the Lady Chapel on Sunday 20 October 2024, to celebrate our wonderful retired church wardens, David Ferguson and Jonathan Rodd, and to thank them for their incredible dedication to our Abbey church. There will be a formal presentation of personalised thank you gifts to them both, along with tea/coffee and lots of cake! *Alex Mackenzie, Church Warden*

Dorset Youth For Christ – Resound: On Saturday 19 October 2024, ReBorne Church, Digby Hall, Hound Street, 6.00 pm – 9.00 pm. Worship led by Joe Bright. Speaker: Rachel Gardner, Youthscape & President of the Girls Brigade. Tickets: <https://resound.churchsuite.com/events/bxfiggiz>

Ride & Stride: Your generous donations have now topped £1,500.00 (with gift aid + £1,800) for Dorset Historic Churches Trust for which many thanks. And yet again thanks to Mike and Eric who deserve the credit for much of the sponsorship. *Hilary Leavey*

City of Bristol Choir 'Sing we Merrily' Concert: On Tuesday 29 October 2024 in the Abbey at 1.30 pm. 50 members of the choir present a free hour long concert as part of their Autumn tour. Enjoy choral music by Stanford, Daley, Summers, Howells, Durufle, Gjeilo & Bruckner conducted by David Ogden. Retiring collection for local Sherborne charities. www.cityofbristolchoir.org.uk

FIAC: The Abbey's Faith In Action Committee funds many causes including the Friends of Guys Marsh, which offers support to prisoners. Art is an important therapy & the Friends are seeking any unused art material. Also welcome would be any board games & jigsaw puzzles –but not with pieces missing! To donate please text Mary-Ann, Trustee, 07900 056551 to arrange collection.

Mothers' Union: The next meeting is on Friday 25 October 2024 at 10.00 am in the Griffiths Room, Digby Memorial Church Hall. The Reverend Lesley McCreadie will be giving an illustrated talk on the Walk to Rome. All welcome! *Jo Higgs* (musecretary@sherborneabbey.com)

All Souls' Requiem List: The list is now on the table 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 Saturday 2 November 2024 at 10.00 am in the Abbey. (Due to this service, the normal 9.00 am Holy Communion service will not take place on this Saturday (2 Nov).) *The Rev Martin Lee*

Parish Office: The office will be closed on Pack Monday 14 October 2024 and, due to staff holidays/funeral, also on Friday 18 October 2024. *The Reverend Martin Lee*

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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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/>