



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 20<sup>th</sup> October 2024 – Feast of St Luke

### THE ABBEY

<b>8.00 am BCP Holy Communion</b>	Celebrant:	The Reverend Rebecca McDonnell
<b>9.30 am Parish Eucharist</b>	Celebrant:	The Reverend Martin Lee
	Preachers:	Henry, Tilly and Tom

**Collect:** Almighty God, you called Luke the physician, whose praise is in the gospel, to be an evangelist and physician of the soul: by the grace of the Spirit and through the wholesome medicine of the gospel, give your Church the same love and power to heal; 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:** Isaiah Ch. 35 v. 3 - 6; Luke Ch 10: v 1 - 9

**Hymns:** 366 & 367, 391, 272, 466

<b>6.00 pm Choral Evensong</b>	Officiant:	The Reverend Martin Lee
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### CASTLETON CHURCH

<b>11.15 am Mattins</b>	Officiant:	The Reverend John Townend
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### STPAULS@THEGRYPHON *(Theme: "Revelation Series: I stand at the door and knock")*

<b>10.30 am All Age Worship</b>	Leaders:	The Broadley Family
	Speaker:	The Reverend Jim Edie

### LILLINGTON CHURCH

<b>9.30 am Morning Service</b>	Officiant:	The Reverend John Townend
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### LONGBURTON CHURCH

<b>10.00 am Family Communion</b>	Celebrant:	The Reverend Pene Kennedy
	Preacher:	The Reverend Brenda Phillips

## 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

**1<sup>st</sup> 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.)

**3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month** at 11.00 am – Remembering the Fallen (next service Friday 15 Nov 2024)

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

## Thought for the Day

Life for most of us has moments of great complexity, some confusing, some frustrating and some cause us to be angry. There are times when I watch how people try to pick up on what they perceive as the faults of others and rejoice in endeavouring to show that person up. We see such behaviour in all walks of life.

Certain voices tried to trip Jesus up, with loaded questions, waiting for his answer so they could pounce on him and criticise him. It would be all too easy to dismiss those accounts as just people who were against Jesus however, let us be clear that such behaviour is still very present in our society today. Our gospel today sees James and John asking Jesus if in the kingdom of heaven, they could sit on his left and right hand. That was certainly not popular with the other disciples and conflict between them soon broke out.

When I see this, I ponder on how hard people try to trip others up, with the mistaken mindset that they are right, and others are wrong. They will go to great lengths to prove it. What arrogance! The disciples certainly saw a mistaken arrogance in James and John in the request that they put to Jesus. He dealt with the request with humility. *'The son of man came to serve, not to be served'*. As we watch our screens we feel totally helpless at the scenes of human suffering as a result of war. We might ask the question of those who press the button to bomb innocent people, is this the only way? I suppose the question is rhetorical for we know our answer is NO, we just wish they could see it. As we ponder on the words of Jesus in our gospel, may we be reminded that Jesus calls us all to serve with humility of heart and mind, not to score points off others, or try to humiliate them, for that is not the action of Christian people but the action of a mistaken arrogance. *The Reverend Martin Lee*

## Sunday 27 October 2024 – Last 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

Deacon:

The Reverend Rebecca McDonnell

**6.00 pm Choral Evensong**

Officiant:

The Reverend Martin Lee

### CASTLETON CHURCH

**11.15 am Mattins**

Officiant:

The Reverend Hugh Bonsey

### STPAULS@THEGRYPHON (*Theme: "Revelation Series: Jesus – The Ancient of Days"*)

**10.30 am Morning Worship**

Leader:

John Crossman

Speaker:

Mark Greenstock

### LILLINGTON CHURCH

**9.30 am Morning Service**

Officiant:

The Reverend Hugh Bonsey

### Longburton Church

**10.00 am Holy Communion**

Celebrant:

The Reverend Pene Kennedy

# 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 30 October (midday), 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 & Sally Hillcote. *The Departed:* Gillian Hornby, Vivien Best, Sylvia Brick, John Mason, Ivan Oldaker (*'Ivan the Cobbler'*), Hilda Fitzmaurice & Michael Mowlam.

*Andrew Cross, Head Verger*

**Service Music (Sunday 20 October):** *Parish Eucharist:* Setting: *Missa O quam gloriosum* Victoria; Anthems: *Ave verum* Byrd; *O holy spirit, Lord of grace* Tye; *Locus iste* Bruckner; Hymns: 366 & 367, 391, 272, 466. *Choral Evensong:* Introit: *Tantum ergo* Séverac; Responses: Humphrey Clucas; Psalm: 39 Parratt; Canticles: *Bairstow in D*; Anthem: *Hail, gladdening light* Wood; Hymns: 476, 252.

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

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2024 – Peter Bray *Assistant Organist*

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2024 – David Turner *Edinburgh*

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2024 – Magnus Williamson *Newcastle upon Tyne*

**Abbey Choirs:** The girls' choir is having a two week Half Term break and will therefore next sing Evensong on Thursday 7 November. The boys' choir continues this Sunday and next, then having a Sunday off at the beginning of November when the back rows will sing on their own. Meanwhile, do you know any good tenors or basses who would like to join the back rows? We're looking for skilled volunteer musicians with strong sight-reading abilities who relish a musical challenge. A brief audition will be part of the process to ensure the right fit for both parties. If you are interested or you know anyone who may be interested, please contact the Parish Office (01935 713777, option 2) or the Director of Music at [james.henderson@sherborneabbey.com](mailto:james.henderson@sherborneabbey.com)

*James Henderson, Director of Music*

**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*

**Longburton Village Café:** Held in the village church of St James, the café provides tea, coffee (free refills) & great cakes for just £2.00. Tuesdays 5 & 19 Nov 2024; 10.30 am – noon.

**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 13 November 2024, Lady Chapel, Abbey, 4.00 pm – 4.30 pm.

*Shirley Fry (01935 389124)*

**Christmas Tree Festival:** The much loved Sherborne Churches Together Christmas Tree Festival is back at Cheap Street church from the 30th November ending with a carol service at 5.00 pm on December 7th. We need volunteers to man the festival in hour slots during this time, welcoming and taking donations for our two charities. If you can help please see Rev Becca, or contact her at [Rev.Becca.McDonnell@gmail.com](mailto:Rev.Becca.McDonnell@gmail.com) Thank you.

*The Reverend Rebecca McDonnell*

**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](http://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](mailto: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*

**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.

Website: <https://www.sherborneabbey.com/>