



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 6 July 2025 – 3rd 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: Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and have sent the Spirit of your son into our hearts whereby we call you Father: give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious liberty of the children of God; 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: Galatians Ch. v 6 (1-6) (7-16); Luke Ch. 10 v 1-11, 16-20 **Hymns:** 373(Coe Fen), 461, 481 (462), 420.

6.00 pm Choral Evensong

Officiant:

The Reverend Martin Lee

CASTLETON CHURCH

11.15 am Mattins

Officiant:

The Reverend Hugh Bonsey

12.30 pm Baptism

Officiant:

The Reverend Martin Lee

STPAULS@THEGRYPHON

(Theme: 'Living by the Spirit – 2')

10.30 am Morning Worship

Leader:

Sandra Cutting

Speaker:

Mark Greenstock

LILLINGTON CHURCH

9.30 am Family Service

Officiant:

The Reverend Hugh Bonsey

LONGBURTON CHURCH

10.00 am Village Communion

Officiant:

The Reverend Pene Kennedy

Choral Evensong on Thursdays will resume on Thursday 18 September.

The Abbey – Weekday/Monthly Services

Every Monday – Saturday - 8.30 am – Morning Prayer - The Sepulchre Chapel

Every Monday - 9.00 am – CW Holy Communion - The Sepulchre Chapel

Every Tuesday – 12 noon – CW Holy Communion – The Sepulchre Chapel

Every Wednesday – 10.30 am Holy Communion with Homily (CW/BCP) – The Lady Chapel

The Abbey – Weekday/Monthly Services contd

Every Thursday - 12 noon – BCP Holy Communion - The Lady Chapel

Every Friday - 9.00 am – Ecumenical Holy Communion - The Sepulchre

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

1st Friday of the month - 9.00 am – Requiem HC - The Sepulchre Chapel (Friday 4 July 2025)

3rd Friday of the month - 11.00 am – Remembering the Fallen (next service: Fri 18 July 2025)

Thought for the Day

Last Sunday was a fifth Sunday in the month and at St Paul's that means we try and do something a little different, a service of testimony for example. On Sunday 29th June we had a focus on mission, which is the theme of this Sunday's Gospel lectionary reading. Today we reflect on Jesus words "Go on your way. See I am sending you...." in Luke's Gospel as he sends out the 'seventy' in pairs ahead of him. The passage then outlines what they should do; they should announce God's Kingdom. What they might experience, peoples' rejection of God's Kingdom. Finally, it outlines what they did experience, the wondrous work of God's Kingdom. Sometimes we can have the view that mission is all about what we do, that it relies on us, but that is a mistake and, if we are not careful, that can quickly become empire building. Professor David Bosch, a theologian known for his work in mission, states that mission is 'God's activity, which embraces both the church and the world, and in which the church may have the privilege to participate.' God calls us to get involved in his plan. Jesus tells us to 'go on our way' and announce the Gospel through both our actions and our words. We are to prepare the way for Jesus, prepare peoples' hearts for the Good News of God's Kingdom here on earth, just as the seventy did. So have courage and do just that!

Revd Jim Edie

Sunday 13 July 2025 – 4th Sunday after Trinity

THE ABBEY

8.00 am BCP Holy Communion	Celebrant:	The Reverend Rebecca McDonnell
9.30 am Parish Eucharist	Celebrant:	The Reverend Martin Lee
	Deacon:	The Reverend Rebecca McDonnell
	Preacher:	The Reverend Martin Lee
12 Noon Baptism	Officiant:	The Reverend Martin Lee
6.00 pm Choral Evensong	Officiant:	The Reverend Martin Lee

CASTLETON CHURCH

11.15 am BCP Holy Communion Celebrant: The Reverend Hugh Bonsey

STPAULS@THEGRYPHON *(Theme: 'Living by the Spirit - 3')*

10.30 am Holy Communion: Leader: The Reverend Jim Edie

Speaker: John Crossman

LILLINGTON CHURCH

9.30 am BCP Holy Communion Celebrant: The Reverend Hugh Bonsey

Longburton Church

10.00 am Family Communion Officiant: 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. *Wedding: Sat 12 July 2.30 pm, Funeral: Monday 14 July 3.30 pm.*

Prayer List: *The Sick:* Harry Bond, Chris Smallbone, Alan Gillard, Peter Dunkin, Rosie Taylor, Judith Spelman, Julie Godley, Miranda Broadhurst, Mervyn Davies, Shirley Fooks & Jo Gem
The Departed: Malcolm Shennan, David Hayes & Barbara Morton. *Andrew Cross*

Service Music: (Sunday 6 July): *Parish Eucharist:* Setting: *Missa Brevis* Berkeley; Anthems: *I will love thee* Kalinnikov; *Just as I am* James Henderson, Hymns: 373(Coe Fen), 461, 481 (462), 420; *Organ Jubilate* William Mathias.

Valedictory Evensong: Introit: *Just as I am* James Henderson; Responses: Smith; Psalm: 32 Woods; Canticles: *Dyson in D*; Anthems: *I was glad* Parry; Hymns: 372, 336; *Organ Toccata in C, BWV V564/1* J S Bach.

Music News: This Sunday is the last with the Abbey choristers and then they have a weekend off before singing at Hatfield House on Friday 18 July (tickets <https://hatfield-house.co.uk/event/sherborne-abbey-choir-in-concert/>) and in St George's, Windsor Castle, for the two sung Sunday services on 20 July at 10.45am (Mattins) and 5.15pm (Choral Evensong). Next weekend our back rows sing for the last time before they, too, have a summer break and we will then be welcoming various visiting choirs to sing for us—including during the weekend that the Abbey Choir will be in Hatfield and Windsor—with details appearing in future pewsheets.

James Henderson, Director of Music

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

Monday 7 July 2025 – Charlie Gurnham, Assistant Director of Music

Monday 14 July 2025 – Charlie Gurnham, Assistant Director of Music

Mothers' Union: Friday 25 July 2025; SUMMER LUNCH. Venue – Almshouse Tea Rooms.

Jo Higginson MU Secretary

Men's Breakfast: St Paul's Church are holding a Men's Breakfast on Saturday 12 July at The Mermaid, Blackberry Lane. £9.00 each. Please contact St Paul's Church Office 01935 816444 or email admin@spcsherborne.co.uk.

Abbey Facilities Upgrade: The Toilets Project is moving slowly through the approvals process. The Victorian Society withdrew objections which would have left an unviable vestry, but there are still reservations on the design of the new screen. Ultimately a decision will be taken by the Chancellor of the Diocese, but she will want first to have a view from the DAC. We are still probably a couple of months from getting the faculty. *Mike Keatinge*

Abbey Choir Windsor: We are organising a coach trip on Sunday 20 July to Windsor for anyone who would like to support our choir who are singing Mattins at St George's Chapel, followed by a day in Windsor. Departure time approx. 6.45 am, returning from Windsor at 5.00 pm. Please give your names to the Parish Office. Cost will be £30 per head, cash or cheque. Please pay when you sign up. Further details from the Parish Office. *Parish Office*

Lift required: Please can anyone provide transport to enable Sandra Taft to attend the 9.30 Parish Eucharist on a regular basis. Tel: 01935 817625. *Parish Office*

Taizé Service: Half an hour of prayer, meditation and music – on Sunday 13 July 2025; 6.30 pm, Cheap Street Church. Everyone welcome. vicarlesley@outlook.com. *Lesley McCreadie*

Julian Group: On Wednesday 9 July 2025; 4.00 pm – 4.30 pm; Lady Chapel. Not a prayer group; an opportunity for silence & meditation with fellow Christians and let God speak to us. Meetings ecumenical & very refreshing. Do join us! *Shirley Fry (01935 389124)*

Abbey Welcomers: There are a few vacant slots in the rota waiting to be filled by willing volunteers. Should anybody be interested in doing an extra duty or know of anyone interested in joining, please contact us, or notify the Parish Office. Suzanne.Short@sherborneabbey.com

Sewing Machine Appeal: Thank you to everyone who has donated a sewing machine. We are still open to receiving further machines for Mothers' Union Members in Melanesia. Please contact Jo Higgs at musecretary@sherborneabbey.com. *Jo Higgs, M.U. Secretary*

Visit by Church Mission Society: On Sunday 27 July in the Abbey we shall have a talk from three colleagues from Church Mission Society Africa, who employ our mission partner Sam Malish. We will need to feed and accommodate our guests on the Saturday. Could you put up one or more for the Saturday night? That evening guests and hosts will all eat together. If you can help please contact me on 07721616003 or john.crossman@btinternet.com

Lent Appeal 2025: Thank you so much for your very generous contributions to this year's Lent Appeal. The final total was an amazing £6391.38 the largest amount for ten years. I have sent £3200 to both Hilfield Friary & Confident Children out of Conflict. *John Crossman(FIAC)*

Cream Tea to celebrate St James on Saturday July 26th - join us in the church of St James the Great, Longburton, for a Cream Tea **3.00-4.30pm**. We would love to see you! All donations for church funds. *Revd Lesley McCreadie*

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))

Email: Sue.Lee@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/>