



Message from John Crossman: Following up on our wonderful £3000 Lent donation for their work I was speaking recently to our partners contact at CMS & CMS Africa. We talked about the impact of the Ebola outbreak in neighbouring DRC – now spreading into other countries. It is clear that this is more threatening than previous strains and support is affected by countries including UK & USA reducing their aid support. It is likely to impact those we know and work within Uganda, South Sudan and especially EZO. You may be interested in these updates from CMS mission partner Bishop Martin Gordon. The newsletter has a video embedded, which is a helpful insight to the work the church is doing to help.
<https://churchmissionsociety.org/people-in-mission/martin-gordon-drcongo/>
<https://www.gordonsingoma.org/newsletter-26may-2026>
Dr John Crossman

**SHERBORNE ABBEY with CASTLETON,
SAPPAUL'S, LILLINGTON and LONGBURTON**

NOTICE SHEET

28th June 2026

BENEFACTICE NOTICES

WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

5th July 2026

5th Sunday after Trinity

ABBEEY

8.00 am BCP Holy Communion

Celebrant: The Reverend Martin Lee

9.30 am Parish Eucharist

Celebrant: The Reverend Martin Lee

Preacher: The Reverend Martin Lee

6.00 pm Choral Evensong

Officiant: The Reverend Martin Lee

CASTLETON

11.15 am Mattins

Officiant: The Reverend David Marl

ST PAUL'S@THE GRYPHON

10.30 am Morning Worship

Leader: The Reverend Jim Edie

Speaker: Mark Greenstock

LILLINGTON

9.30 am Family Service

Officiant: The Reverend John Townend

LONGBURTON

10.00 am Village Communion

Celebrant: The Reverend Pene Kennedy

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Sherborne Library of Things: Operating out of Tinneys Lane, it acts as an offshoot of the Repair Café, designed to save money, reduce waste, and build community. It allows residents to borrow everyday household items so, if you have anything in your garage, cupboard or attic that you no longer use, please visit www.sherbornelibraryofthings.co.uk You can get in touch via sherbornelot@gmail.com Thank you

Opera in Osborne:

Performed in the beautiful surroundings of St Cuthbert's Church.

A Night at the Silent Movies – Nosferatu: Arrive early for drinks and wood-fired pizzas. Thu 6th August, 7.30pm, £10

Mozart's The Magic Flute:

Wed 5th, Fri 7th & Sat 8th August, 7.30pm, £45.

Bach's Coffee Cantata & Wagner's Wesendonck Lieder: Sat 8th August, 3.00pm, £20

Opera in the Park: Featuring four exceptional singers accompanied by pianist John Cuthbert. Sun 9th August, 3.00pm, £20.

Tableaux de Provence: Alex Mitchell (saxophone), Martin Walker (piano) present music by Maurice Ravel, Robert Planel, Paule Maurice and Jean Françaix. Tickets £10 cash on the door. Cheap Street Church, Sunday 28 June 3.00pm.

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.

Safeguarding: Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. We are committed to the support, nurture, and protection of all in our church community. If you have any concerns about the safety or wellbeing of a child or vulnerable adult, do not keep them to yourself. Contact immediately the Parish Safeguarding Officer, Jon Massey at safeguarding@sherborneabbey.com.

Parish Giving Scheme (PGS): Sherborne Abbey joined the Parish Giving Scheme in September 2025. The scheme is designed to enable donors to give monthly, quarterly or annually by direct debit to the

Abbey. Donors have the option to index link their gifts. Admin is reduced as the PGS collect the gift aid. For further information please contact liz.ashmead@sherborneabbey.com

Music News: It was again wonderful to see such a strong congregation at last Thursday's Evensong, with attendance higher than recent weeks and months. The last Thursday Evensong of the 'year' is on **Thursday 2 July at 5.30pm**; do come along and try the service as we give out some ABSRM medals and ribbons in recognition of individual chorister achievements. If you have not yet experienced a midweek Choral Evensong, we warmly encourage you to do so: it is a wonderful opportunity to hear the choir in action and to enjoy a moment of reflection in the beauty of the Abbey.

There are still a few spaces for choristers aged 8–14 in our "Be a Chorister" afternoon on Sunday. We're starting at 4.00pm with some arts and crafts, and there will be an opportunity to have a go at singing Choral Evensong with the Abbey Choir. Please point anyone interested to the Parish Office or to me.

James Henderson, Director of Music & Organist



28th June Sherborne Abbey Choir
4.00-7.00pm

Be a Chorister!

For children in years 2-5
Come and experience what life in Sherborne Abbey Choir is like

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Mothers Union: The next meeting will be the Summer Lunch on Friday 24th July 2026 at the Abbey Tea Rooms. musecretary@sherborneabbey.com

Eileen Heath

Longburton Village Café: The next Village Café will take place on Tuesday 30th June.

St James The Great Longburton: Cream Tea in St James Church on Saturday 25th July between 3.00 pm & 4.30 pm to celebrate St James's Day. Suggested donation £5.

Have you considered being a Welcomer?: Would you like to join the team of Welcomers, just one hour on alternate weeks. We have three vacant slots, Mondays 2pm – 3pm & 4pm – 5pm and Fridays 4pm – 5pm. It is not an onerous task but an important one. Welcomers are often the first person that a visitor comes in to contact with, they need to feel welcome and listened to. They may be tourists or someone who just wants to sit quietly and pray. If you feel you could spare an hour and would like to join the team please contact the Parish Office, 01935 713777 or email andrew.cross@sherborneabbey.com

Turn unwanted jewellery into a lasting legacy:



Local supporter, Maggie, is collecting old, broken and unwanted jewellery and watches to raise vital funds for the Abbey's Facilities Upgrade Appeal. Please place your unwanted items in the box provided in the Abbey. All items are sorted and sold with all proceeds going directly to the Abbey. All donations help to improve facilities for everyone.



For more information please contact Maggie 01963 250108 or the Parish Office 01935 713777

The Almshouse Chapel: Although the Chapel is open at the moment, we are looking for volunteers to be in the Chapel on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10.00am – 3.00 pm. If anyone could spare an hour on one of those days to be present in the Chapel and welcome visitors, please contact the Parish Office, 01935 713777 or Eve Lloyd, 01935 815889.

