ABBEY WEEKDAY/MONTHLY SERVICES

Every Monday – Saturday - 8.30 am:
Morning Prayer in The Sepulchre Chapel
Every Monday - 9.00 am:
CW Holy Communion in The Sepulchre Chapel
Every Tuesday - 12 noon:
CW Holy Communion in The Sepulchre Chapel
Every Wednesday - 10.30 am:
Holy Communion with Homily (CW/BCP)
in The Lady Chapel
Every Thursday - 12 noon:
BCP Holy Communion in The Lady Chapel
In school term time 6.00pm Choral Evensong
Every Friday - 9.00 am:
Ecumenical Holy Communion
in The Sepulchre Chapel
1st Friday of the month - 9.00 am:
Requiem HC in The Sepulchre Chapel
(next service: Friday 2nd October 2026)
3rd Friday of the month - 11.00am: Remembering the Fallen (next service: Fri 16th October 2026)
Every Saturday at 9.00 am:
CW Holy Communion in The Sepulchre Chapel

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SHERBORNE ABBEY with CASTLETON,

SAINT PAUL'S, LILLINGTON and LONGBURTON

PEWSHEET

Sunday 20th September 2026

16th Sunday after Trinity

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
6.00 pm Choral Evensong
Officiant: The Reverend Martin Lee
CASTLETON
11.15 am Mattins
Officiant: Mr Huw Ridgeway
ST PAUL'S @ THE GRYPHON
10.30 am All Age Worship - Harvest
Leader: Sarah Fricker
Speaker: The Reverend Jim Edie
LILLINGTON
9.30am Morning Service
Officiant: The Reverend Belinda West
LONGBURTON
10.00am Holy Communion
Celebrant: The Reverend Lesley McCreadie

PRAYER LIST

The Sick

Harry Bond, Alan Gillard, Peter Dunkin, Jo Gem, Jo Kemp, Daniel Smallbone, Martin Loveless, Bob Cowley, Jimmy Larwood, Jacob Smith, John Walton, Rev. Hugh Bonsey

The Departed

Clifford Charlton, Penny Gardner, Alan Martin, Karen Knobbs, Andrew Callon, Valerie Pugh

FUNERALS, WEDDINGS & BAPTISMS

Holy Matrimony – 19th September 1.30 pm
Alexander Liddell & Molly Yeo

COLLECT

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; 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

READING

Philippians 1.21-end

GOSPEL

Matthew 20. 1-16

"For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the labourers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So, they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him. 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the labourers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous? So, the last will be first, and the first will be last.

MUSIC AT THE ABBEY

Sunday 20th September

9.30 am Sung Eucharist

Setting *Missa Aeterna Christi munera* Palestrina
Motets *Sicut cervus* Palestrina
O nata lux Tallis
Ubi caritas Duruflé
Hymns 271, 272, 310, 333
Organ *Adagio (from Symphonie No 5)* Widor

6.00 pm Choral Evensong

Introit *Holy is the true light* Harris
Responses Tomkins
Psalm *104 vv 1–10 & 24–31* Howes, Martin
Canticles Jackson *in G*
Anthem *Geistliches Lied* Brahms
Hymns 206, 434
Organ *Fugue in C BWV 545* JS Bach

Thursday 24th September

6.00pm Choral Evensong

Introit *If ye love me* Tallis
Responses Leighton
Psalm *119 vv 1–8* Turle
Canticles Wood *in E flat number 2*
Anthem *For the beauty of the earth* John Rutter
Hymns 357, 360
Organ *Prelude on a theme by Orlando Gibbons* Stanford

ORGAN RECITALS

Monday 21 September, 1.30 pm Harry van Wijk (Concert Organist)

Thought for the day

Employment law today would have a field day with the landowner who hired labourers in his vineyard. They might argue this was unfair and therefore not legal! When we look at the gospels and compare them to today's context, we often find passages that present challenges. This is, of course, Jesus telling us that God values us all and calls every one of us to work in his vineyard. It isn't necessarily about the pay, but about the reward we receive from God for how we have served him in his vineyard. Trying to explain this to an employment lawyer could be quite interesting!

There are, of course, always some who are keen to be critical, pick at and endeavour to stand on the moral high ground. That never ends well for others; they feel hurt, devalued, and unloved. Jesus, however, calls every one of us to serve him and to know that we are equally loved, to follow his ways of love and justice and to proclaim the good news of God's enduring love for us. The book people are talking about this week seeks to rake over the past and condemn another, and the question we're left asking is: what is achieved by such condemnatory words and accusations?

We therefore must take care to ensure that, in serving a God who loves us equally, we honour him by spreading the good news of the Kingdom and praying for Peace in our world.

The Rector