



WychwoodBenefice

Church News 5 & 12 August 2018

Our Vision: To build God's Kingdom here on earth as in heaven

SUNDAY 5 AUGUST 2018 - TRINITY 10

11.00am Shipton United Benefice Holy Communion Anne Hartley

PRAYERS AND READINGS

Collect Lord of heaven and earth, as Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent in prayer, give us patience and courage never to lose hope, but always to bring our prayers before you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Post Communion God of our pilgrimage, you have willed that the gate of mercy should stand open for those who trust in you: look upon us with your favour that we who follow the path of your will may never wander from the way of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Readings: Psalm 51.1-13, Ephesians 4.1-16, John 6.24-35.

Open Doors Prayers: Give thanks for the release from prison of Miriam. She says "It feels like a miracle that so many of you have been praying for me and thinking of me".

Prayer List: Hostage John Cantlie and Graham Harris.

Weddings and Banns: Chloe Bennington & Craig Wood are getting married in Shipton on 19 August. Banns will be read in Shipton on 5 & 12 August for Lisa Price & Jed McCrory who are getting married in Shipton on 1 September. Banns will be read in Shipton church on 5 August for Sarah-Jane Stowe & Andy Wale who are getting married in Shipton on 21 September.

R.I.P. Renee Barnard.

SUNDAY 12 AUGUST 2018 - TRINITY II

8.15am	Shipton BCP Holy Communion	Peter Silva
9.30am	Milton Holy Communion	Peter Silva
11.00am	Shipton BCP Morning Prayer	Lay Led
11.00am	Fifield BCP Holy Communion	Peter Silva

PRAYERS AND READINGS

Collect God of glory, the end of our searching, help us to lay aside all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom, and to give all that we have to gain the pearl beyond all price, through our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen**

Post Communion

Lord of all mercy, we your faithful people have celebrated that one true sacrifice which takes away our sins and brings pardon and peace: by our communion keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel and preserve us from all sin; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Open Doors Prayers

Many are suffering in Yemen's seemingly forgotten war with millions at the point of starvation and many more suffering malnutrition. Ask God to raise up peacemakers on all sides to bring an end to this terrible conflict.

Readings: Psalm 130, Ephesians 4.25 - 5.2, John 6.35,41-51.

NOTICES

Performance in Shipton Church: Thursday 9 August, 3pm

Come and support our summer play "Rip Van Winkle" performed by the children and friends of Shipton choir, followed by tea and cake. 3pm at St Mary's on Thursday 9 August. Retiring collection for church funds.

Mothers Union Lunch Tues. 14th August 12.30pm/1pm Benefice Centre

£12 for a 3 course lunch with coffee/tea and chocolates. Please contact Kathleen Walker for tickets kmwalker109@gmail.com or phone Anne Wilkin 830902.

Ride and Stride Saturday 8 September 2018

Contacts for Ride and Stride are as follows: Shipton: Mike Brooks

Milton: Liz Watts

Fifield and Idbury: John Yaxley

For more information see: <http://www.rideandstrideuk.org/>

Introducing our new vicar, Revd Geoffrey Clement

His licensing will be on Wednesday 17th October, 7.30pm. Details to follow.

“I am originally from Streatham South London, my working career started as an apprentice stone mason working at Westminster Abbey for about 8 years going on to work at other London landmark buildings doing restoration work. In 1989 I went to live in Montevideo and began training for ordination at the Anglican seminary. I was ordained deacon 1994 and priest 1996 working in a number of different parishes and missions in Montevideo. I then spent 4 years in the North of the country on the border of Argentina and some of my ministry was in the town of Fray Bentos where the meat pies came from!

I returned to the UK in 2001 and since then have worked in multi-parish ministry in Suffolk.

I have been married to Angela for 9 years and we have two (step) children Charles 19 and Nicola 17. Angela grew up in the Gosport area down on the South Coast. For the last few years she has been working as a teaching assistant in Early Years at our local primary school achieving Outstanding in the last Ofsted. We have two dogs: Bobby a labradoodle and Bridget a Cockapoo both of whom need plenty of exercise.

I have a couple of hobbies that keep me on the straight and narrow, I used to do a lot of bell-ringing and have managed peals on 12 bells, but would love to get back to some 8 bell ringing. I have a motorbike (Moto Guzzi V9 if that means anything to you) which I use whenever possible, but mostly when the sun is shining. We have a campervan that we use when we can to take time out together. I also enjoy doing a bit of homebrewing.

We are really looking forward to coming to live and serve among you and becoming part of the benefice family.”

Shipton Church Fete Bank Holiday Monday 27 August 12-4pm

On the village green there will be stalls and games to appeal to all ages. There will be burgers, hotdogs and a bar selling beer, Pimms and soft drinks. Stalls will include the white elephant, books and jigsaws as well as stalls from external exhibitors. There will also be hoopla, Aunt Sally, tombola, other games and the jousting horse.

Inside the church we will provide tea and delicious cakes and a cake stall. On offer will be tours of the fascinating bell tower plus a special free musical programme.

Donations needed for Shipton Church Fete: 27 August

Books, bric-a-brac and jigsaws and bottles for the tombola – please contact James Walmsley 830842 or jameswalmsley@mistral.co.uk

Cakes are needed (for the cake stall and also for the teas) Please contact Claire Bell 831281 or clairelizbell@gmail.com .

Sponsored Quarter Peal

We are ringing the last Quarter Peal on the bells before refurbishment on Bank Holiday Monday 27th August, at the start of the Shipton Church Fete, with Shipton ringers and friends. We would welcome any sponsors for this event to help us raise the final funds required. Please ask Mike Brooks for details on how you can sponsor this.

Remembrance 100: 100 Days

4 August marks the beginning of 100 days of prayer for peace leading up to the 100th anniversary of the end of WWI on 11 November

<https://www.remembrance100.co.uk/100-days/>

Benefice Prayer

Heavenly Father,

As we prepare for the arrival of our new vicar, we give thanks for the appointment of Revd Geoffrey Clement as Incumbent for this benefice.

Lord Jesus, we pray for Geoffrey as he prepares to join us. Help us all to take our part, growing in faith and love for one another, and reaching out to others. May we all be ready to serve together with joy, to build our faith, and live in loving obedience to your example.

Holy Spirit, guide us at this time of uncertainty and change: fill us with vision and energy; make us faithful in prayer and worship, that we may discover your way for the future and see your kingdom grow. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Readings 19 August: Trinity 12 Psalm 111, Ephesians 5.15-20, John 6.51-58.

If you would like to receive the Church News by email, please let Clare know – office@wychwoodbenefice.org.uk

Benefice Summer Office Hours:

August 5-11 Tues 9-4, Weds 9-3, Thurs 9-12

August 12-18 Weds 11-5, Thurs 9-4, Fri 8-11

August 19-25 Weds 10-12

August/September 26-1 Weds 9-4

September 2-8 Mon 10-11, Thurs 9-2.30, Fri 9-2.30

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