

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

SUNDAY 30 SEPTEMBER 2018 - TRINITY 18

11.00am Fifield United Benefice Holy Communion Anne Hartley

PRAYERS AND READINGS

Collect God, our judge and saviour, teach us to be open to your truth and to trust in your love, that we may live each day with confidence in the salvation which is given through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Post Communion We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast: for here we receive you, here the memory of your passion is renewed, here our minds are filled with grace, and here a pledge of future glory is given, when we shall feast at that table where you reign with all your saints for ever. **Amen**

Readings: Psalm 124, James 5.13-20, Mark 9.38-50 (Year B).

Open Doors Prayers: UK and Ireland

In response to rising persecution in Asia and the Middle East many of the local church partners are stepping up their work in the field and are asking us to increase our support. Pray for wisdom for the Open Doors team as they consider how to respond effectively to this plea.

If you wish to donate towards this appeal or give to the Open Doors general fund please contact *Kathleen Walker 01993 830050* for details on how to do this. Thank you in anticipation.

Prayer List: Hostage John Cantlie, Graham Harris, Guthrie Piggot & Margaret Gibbs.

Baptisms: Jake Greenwood will be baptized in Milton Church on 30 September. **Weddings**: Joe McCarthy and Jane Izod are getting married on Saturday 6 October in Milton church.

R.I.P.: Annie Savill.

SUNDAY 7 OCTOBER 2018 - TRINITY 19

11.00am Shipton United Benefice Holy Communion Anne Hartley

PRAYERS AND READINGS

Collect Faithful Lord, whose steadfast love never ceases and whose mercies never come to an end: grant us the grace to trust you and to receive the gifts of your love, new every morning, in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Post Communion Holy and blessed God, you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son and filled us with your Holy Spirit: may we honour you, not only with our lips but in lives dedicated to the service of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Open Doors Prayers: Prayer for Ghassan in Syria

Holy Spirit, thank you for the faith and resilience you've placed in your servant Ghassan, despite losing so much through the conflict in Syria. Please give him fresh strength and joy in his life as he leads his church in serving the community in Aleppo. **Amen**

Readings: Psalm 26, Hebrews 1.1-4; 2.5-12, Mark 10.2-16 (Year B).

NOTICES

Benefice Lunch Thank You

Thank you to all those who contributed towards the lunch, gifts and helped on the day. Clare & Rachel really appreciated their gifts too!

All That Jazz concert Friday 12 October, 7pm Milton Church

Burford School's Jazz Band All That Jazz present a selection from their varied repertoire. Tickets: Adults £15 (parents of musicians £10) includes a glass of wine. 11-18years £5. Available from Benefice Office 832467 or Liz Watts 831759.

Shipton Bells Update:

The bells are due to be removed from the tower on I October, a process which will take approximately 4 days. To reduce costs, between the last Sunday where the bells will be rung (23 Sunday) and I October, bell ringers along with other volunteers will remove as many of the fittings as possible. Also, volunteers will be required to assist the bell hanger in removing the bells. And, at the later date, to paint the bell frame. Anyone who could spare a bit of time during this period to help with this please get in touch with Mike Brooks 01993 830014.

You are invited to the Institution and Licensing by the Bishop of Dorchester

> and the Induction and Installation by the Archdeacon of Dorchester of The Rev Geoffrey Clement as Vicar

Wednesday 17 October, 7.30pm St Mary's Church, Shipton under Wychwood Followed by refreshments

Parking at: New Beaconsfield Hall.

Licensing Service Rehearsal:

For everyone involved in the service there is a rehearsal on Wednesday 10 October at 7pm in Shipton Church.

Refreshments for Licensing Service:

Claire Bell is kindly coordinating the reception after the Licensing service on 17 October. We are anticipating up to 300 people. The Benefice as a whole is responsible for hosting this event and so we are calling on everyone to help, however they are able.

We are asking if people can bring a plate of nibbles (e.g. mini sandwiches, mini quiches, mini sausages/sausage rolls, mini samosas, scotch eggs, savoury biscuits or crisps etc.) ideally at least 20 bites per plate. These need to be delivered to the church by 2pm on Wednesday 17th or call Claire for an alternative arrangement if this is not possible. Please can you contact Claire by Sunday 7 October to let her know what you can bring.

Claire also needs lots of helpers to hand round trays of drinks and food after the service. Please can you let Claire know if you can help with this - also by 7 October.

Contact details: Claire Bell Tel 01993 831281, mobile 07973 157693 or email: clairelizbell@gmail.com

Harvest Festivals 2018

Friday 12 October 9.15 Shipton - School Harvest Festival Sunday 14 October 1 Iam Shipton Harvest Festival, followed by bring & share lunch.

Saturday 13 October Fifield Harvest Supper at the Parish Hall 7 for 7.30pm Tickets £12.50 from Catherine Hitchens 01993 831881. Sunday 14 October 11am, Fifield Harvest Festival.

Harvest Donations:

All fresh produce you bring will go to Helen & Douglas House All other produce will go to The Porch Steppin' Stone Centre All donations are extremely welcome.

MU Holy Communion in Fifield Church, Tuesday 2nd October 2.30pm

The Mothers' Union meeting in October is Communion at Fifield Church. Rev'd Anne Hartley will be the celebrant. Everyone is welcome to join us.

Readings 14 October Trinity 20: Psalm 22.1-15, Hebrews 4.12-16, Mark 10.17-31 (Year B).

Harvest Readings: Matthew 6: 25-33, 1 Timothy 6: 6-10, Psalm 126.

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

Administrator: Clare Harper, Office Hours: Mon & Thurs 9-2, Tuesday 11.30-2.30, Wednesday 12.30-2.30

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