



Wychwood Benefice

Church News 7 – 14 July 2019

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

SUNDAY 7 JULY 2019 TRINITY 3

11.00am Shipton United Benefice Holy Communion

PRAYERS AND READINGS

Collect God our saviour, look on this wounded world in pity and in power; hold us fast to your promises of peace won for us by your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen

Post Communion O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining and whose power we cannot comprehend: show us your glory as far as we can grasp it, and shield us from knowing more than we can bear until we may look upon you without fear; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen**

Readings: (Year C)

First Reading 2 Kings 5:1-14 Neither race nor social status prevented the maid or the other servants from wanting God to heal Naaman.

Gospel Luke 10:1-11. 16-20 Jesus sends seventy disciples to prepare his way, urging them not to let strict religious rules obstruct the good news of God's kingdom of peace.

Prayer List: Hostage John Cantlie, David Trollope, Shauni McGregor, Mark Forsbrey, Karin Wiseman, Emma Bradford, Margaret Gibbs, James Newman, Chris Seviour, Nathalie Stewart, Paul Ricketts and Wendy Hiscock.

Baptism: Arthur Naish is being baptized in Milton church on 14 July.

Weddings and Banns: We pray for all the couples getting married in the benefice this summer. For Tim Yates & Jilly Newman; Fiona Matthews & Robert Crossland; Nick Willson & Victoria Shreeves; Carmen Hillier & Ashley Swain; Gemma Potter & Matthew Berry.

Funerals: There will be a Service of Thanksgiving for Michael Porter on 27 August at 1pm in Shipton church.

Open Doors: 7 July: We ask God to sustain the faith of persecuted women and pray for all Open Doors partners who support them.

14 July: Please pray for all women who are rejected by their families because they choose to follow Jesus.

SUNDAY 14 JULY 2019 TRINITY 4

8.15am	Shipton BCP Holy Communion
9.30am	Milton Holy Communion
11.00am	Shipton Holy Communion
11.00am	Fifield BCP Morning Prayer

PRAYERS AND READINGS

Collect Gracious Father, by the obedience of Jesus you brought salvation to our wayward world: draw us into harmony with your will, that we may find all things restored in him, our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen**

Post Communion Eternal God, comfort of the afflicted and healer of the broken, you have fed us at the table of life and hope: teach us the ways of gentleness and peace, that all the world may acknowledge the kingdom of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Today's Readings (Year C)

First Reading Amos 7:7-end Amos foretells God's judgement against the people of Israel, who fail to align themselves with God's commandments and reject the prophet that God sends.

Gospel Luke 10:25-37 Jesus uses a story to teach his listeners, and us, who our neighbour is and what it means to love him or her as ourselves.

Notices

Shipton choir is visiting Gloucester Cathedral on the weekend of 13/14 July to sing the services whilst the cathedral choir's on holiday. Do pop in and support them if you're able to: the services are Saturday 13th at 4:30pm and Sunday 14th at 10:15am and 3pm.

Nominate a charity for this year's Harvest Donations

We are considering more local organisations for this year's Harvest produce. If you have a suggestion, please email the office by the end of July. We can either continue to split the donations into fresh and long-life or otherwise, as appropriate.

New Confirmation Class In September there will be a new all-age confirmation class starting. If you are interested in exploring this further, please get in touch with Geoffrey.



Pilgrim Paths – New Website:

Taken from last week's Diocesan e-news:

“Are you looking for some time out? This is the perfect time of the year to try a Pilgrim Path. The Revd Sally Welch, with the help of a team in Chipping Norton Deanery, has created a whole series of Pilgrim Paths, together with some great resources to help you reflect and pray as you make your spiritual journey through some beautiful places. There is a Pilgrim Path based on the Beatitudes, and one on Sensing Creation... May the road rise to meet you, and the wind be always at your back!” *Judy French, Archdeacon of Dorchester*

The ten circular walks on the website can be downloaded and printed out or download onto a phone or tablet to take on the walks. There are also details of the guided walks and links to other relevant websites.

The address is <https://pilgrimpaths.info/>

The next Pilgrim Path walk is on **Wednesday 10th July at 10.00am**. We will be walking from Daylesford Church to Chastleton, returning to Daylesford once more. Meet by the Church door at 10.00am. For more information please go to the website [Walking Routes and Mini Pilgrimages For All Ages - Pilgrim Paths](#)

Benefice Summer Lunch Sunday 21 July

We will be having a BBQ Lunch after the United Benefice Service in Milton on Sunday 21 July from 12 noon. N.B. The Sunday service will start at 11am.

It is a chance for everyone in the Benefice to come together – baptism families, wedding couples and all who are part of this Benefice to share in a lunch.

We hope to be outside (weather permitting). Bring something to sit on (a rug or a chair) your own drinks and something to share – a salad or a pudding.

RSVP by Monday 15 July to help us with numbers and let us know what you are bringing. Email office@wychwoodbenefice.org.uk

New Milton Church Prayer Candles and Cards

We now have prayer candles in church, and we have had some beautiful cards hand-printed by the Whittington Press. You might like to take one and send it to someone special to let them know you have remembered them in your prayers by lighting a candle.

Friends of St John the Baptist Church, Fifield. The Friends are holding a Barbecue Picnic on Sunday 21st July in the gardens of Old Housing. On offer will be Barbecued sausages, a special sauce, baps, salads, trifles, soft drinks and a glass of wine plus bring your-own-bottle. There will be a Tombola, a book stall and other sales tables. Tickets are £6 to Friends' Members and £7 to non-members. Contact Tina Palmer 01993 830517, or sallyjauustin@gmail.com for more information and tickets.

Fifield-with-Idbury PCC are holding a Garden Party on 24th August – more details later, but make a note of the date, always a lovely occasion with interesting things to buy and a splendid tea on offer.

Shipton Children's Summer Concert Friday 26 July 3pm in the church
This year some of Shipton's children will be performing: *Jonah-man Jazz* by Michael Hurd. Please do come and support this if you can. Tea and cake will be served afterwards. There will be a retiring collection for church funds.

Update on St Mary's Shipton-u-Wychwood Church Repairs
The full details on the plans and fundraising possibilities can be found on the website: [Shipton Church Update](#).

Church Flowers in Shipton and Milton

To try and cover some of our flowers costs we would like to offer the option of sponsoring flowers on a particular Sunday in memory of someone or in celebration of someone or something. A dedication can be read out in church and printed in the Church News. To pick a Sunday take a look on the website to find out where the services are being held:

Then contact one of the flower arrangers – details below

Shipton: Anne Hilling annehillig@yahoo.co.uk 01993 830656

Milton: Sheilah Peregrine m.peregrine197@btinternet.com 01993 831984

There is no specified amount – all donations are gratefully received whether you would like to sponsor a particular Sunday or just contribute towards the general costs.

Readings 21 July Trinity 5: Amos 8.1-12, Psalm 52, Colossians 1.15-28, Luke 10.38-42 (Year C)

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