



WychwoodBenefice

Church News 21 – 28 July 2019

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

SUNDAY 21 JULY 2019 TRINITY 5

11.00am Milton United Benefice Holy Communion
followed by BBQ Lunch

PRAYERS AND READINGS

Collect

Almighty God, send down upon your Church the riches of your Spirit, and kindle in all who minister the gospel your countless gifts of grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Post Communion

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by your governance, that your Church may joyfully serve you in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Readings: (Year C) Fifth Sunday after Trinity

First Reading Amos 8:1-12 The prophet Amos announces a terrible judgement upon Israel because its people have been greedy, have exploited those who are poor and have used dishonest trading practices.

Gospel Luke 10:38-end Jesus breaks convention by entering the home of two women, Martha and Mary, to teach them. However, Martha is too distracted to listen.

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.

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: 21 July: Please pray for Open Doors partners establishing leadership development programmes for women across the Middle East and North Africa, to help them share the Gospel. 28 July: We pray for all Christian women who cannot connect with other Christians because it endangers themselves and others. We ask that they will feel the presence of The Holy Spirit and the love of God.

SUNDAY 28 JULY 2019 TRINITY 6

8.15am	Shipton BCP Holy Communion
9.30am	Milton Worship for All Holy Communion
11.00am	Shipton BCP Morning Prayer
11.00am	Idbury BCP Holy Communion

PRAYERS AND READINGS

Collect

Creator God, you made us all in your image: may we discern you in all that we see, and serve you in all that we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Post Communion

God of our pilgrimage, you have led us to the living water: refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Today's Readings (Year C) Sixth Sunday after Trinity

First Reading Colossians 2:6-15 [16-19] A reminder of who we are – children of God – and who God is – our merciful and faithful Saviour. Rooted in Christ, we can grow strong. In all this we are called to lives of abundant gratitude.

Gospel Luke 11:1-13 The disciples ask Jesus to teach them how to pray. He gives them the Lord's Prayer, and tells them stories about persistence in bringing human need to God.

Notices

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.

Shipton Bells

Some good news – The installation of the bells has now been officially signed off so the various grants owed will now be paid.

Summer Holiday Hours

Revd Geoffrey Clement Annual Leave: Sat 3 Aug – Mon 2 Sept *During this period, if you need to speak to a priest in an emergency please contact Rev'd Anne Hartley: Tel 01993 830160 Email: anne@wychwoodbenefice.org.uk (Out of contact on Thursdays).*

Benefice Office Summer Hours

22-29 July	CLOSED
29 July-2 Aug	Tues 9-5, Weds 9-5
5-9 Aug	Fri 9-3
12-16 Aug	Fri 9-3
19-23 Aug	Mon 9-5, Fri 9-5
26-30 Aug	Tues 9-5
2-6 Sept	Wed 9-2.30, Fri 9-2.30

Church Flowers in Shipton and Milton



Sunday July 28th all Church flowers in Milton donated in memory of Pat Burgis.

Please get in touch if you would like to sponsor the church 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: wychwoodbenefice.org.uk

Then contact one of the flower arrangers – details below

Shipton: Anne Hilling annehilling@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 contribute towards the general costs.

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.

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.

Saturday 24th August Fifield and Idbury PCC Garden Party 2.30- 4.30pm
Old Housing, Church Street, Fifield. £5 entry (on the day) raffle, cakes & sales tables.

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.](#)

Donations for Shipton Fete's White Elephant Stall

Final call for donations for the fete on Monday 26 August. If you have anything to contribute please get in touch with James Walmsley: [01993 830842](tel:01993830842).

Ride and Stride Sat 14 September

If you are new to Ride and Stride – find out all about it here:

<https://www.rideandstrideuk.org/>

For Shipton – we need people to welcome the riders and striders in church and also need people to take part to help raise much-needed funds this year.

For sponsorship forms, offers of help or to find out more please get in touch with the church contacts as follows:

Shipton: Mike Brooks tel 01993 830014

Idbury: Mary Champness tel 01993 831074

Fifield: John Yaxley tel 01993 831385

Milton: Liz Watts tel 01993 831759.

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.

Readings 4 August Trinity 7 Ecclesiastes 1:2. 12-14; 2:18-23, Luke 12:13-21
(Year C).

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