

Church News 8 & 15 July 2018

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

SUNDAY 8 JULY 2018 - TRINITY 6

8.15am	Shipton BCP Holy Communion	Peter Silva
9.30am	Milton Holy Communion	Peter Silva

11.00am Shipton Holy Communion with

Presentation of Lady Reade Cheques Peter Silva

11.00am Fifield BCP Morning Prayer Cedric Reavley

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**

Readings: Psalm 48, 2 Corinthians 12.2-10, Mark 6.1-13.

Open Doors Prayers: Open Doors estimate that there are as many as 5 million Christians in rural areas with no church to go to. Please pray for Open Doors partners working to reach these Christians with Bibles, teaching and practical support.

Prayer List: Hostage John Cantlie, Graham Harris and Arthur Hunt.

Baptism: Thomas Stephens will be baptised on Sunday 15 July in Shipton church.

Weddings and Banns: There is a marriage blessing in Fifield church on Saturday 14 July for Stuart de Crespigny and Sophie Chico. Robert Statham & Victoria Fleck are getting married on 20 July at All Saints, Churchill. Chloe Bennington & Craig Wood are getting married in Shipton on 19 August. Banns will be read in Shipton on 22 July, 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 8 & 22 July and 5 August for Sarah-Jane Stowe & Andy Wale who are getting married in Shipton on 21 September.

R.I.P.: David Melling and Stanley Field.

Funerals: There is a Service of Thanksgiving for Stanley Field on Thursday 12 July, 1pm in Shipton church. David Melling's funeral is on Friday 13 July, 12noon in Milton church

SUNDAY 15 JULY 2018 - TRINITY 7

9.30am Milton United Benefice Holy Communion Elizabeth Koepping 6.00pm Fifield Evening Prayer Cedric Reavley

PRAYERS AND READINGS

Collect Generous God, you give us gifts and make them grow: though our faith is small as mustard seed, make it grow to your glory and the flourishing of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Post Communion Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life, ever giving himself that the world may live: may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion that, in his saving cup, we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen**

Open Doors Prayers Pastor Samuel (83yrs, name changed) says "We want to be there for rural Christians, we teach that true hope can be found in Jesus". Pray for stamina for Samuel and ask God to raise up others to help him.

Readings: Psalm 24, Ephesians 1.3-14

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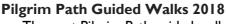
Pastoral Care

We have a dedicated Pastoral Team who would be pleased to respond to anyone who feels they might appreciate a visit.

If you know of anyone who might appreciate an initial phone call, or if you would like a visit from one of the team, please call Elaine on 831610 or drop a line to elainerusselljarvie@talktalk.net

If you feel you would like prayer support or pastoral care, there are also prayer boxes in Shipton and Milton for your requests.

Thank you to those who are already involved with the Pastoral Care Group and if anyone else would like to be involved in any way, do get in touch with Elaine.



The next Pilgrim Path guided walk will be on:

Wednesday 18th July 10am

St Giles Wiggington (OX15 4JU) to St Mary's Swerford (5 miles)

Please meet at the church and bring refreshments.

Adventures on your doorstep for you to share with family and friends. Guided circular walks, led by experienced walkers offering reflections and insights.

Fifield Friends Barbecue Sunday 22 July

The Barbecue is a "Friends" event and will be at Merryfield, High Street, Fifield. 12.30 for 1.00pm. There will be a raffle. Tickets are £12.50. For further details and to book please conatct Tina Palmer (830517) or Jennifer Lowe (830 634).

Mothers Union Lunch Tues. 14th August 12.30pm/Ipm 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.

Shipton Church Fete Bank Holiday Monday 27th August 1-4pmThe Shipton Church Fete will be held on the village green and in St Mary's church and it will be a fun family day for grandparents, parents and children to enjoy themselves.

On the village green there will be stalls and games to appeal to all ages. For the hungry there will be burgers and hotdogs from the barbeque and a bar selling beer, Pimms and soft drinks for the thirsty. There will be stalls such as the white elephant, books, jigsaws and cakes. To add to the fun there will be hoopla, Aunt Sally, tombola, other games and the jousting horse. There will also be stalls from external exhibiters.

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

Donations of books, bric-a-brac (in good condition) and jigsaws would be welcome. We look forward to welcoming everyone from our local communities to enjoy a traditional village church fete.

"We've been on a journey from Martha to Mary..." Read (or listen to) the Bishop of Oxford's presidential address about our diocesan-wide vision for a more Christ-like Church for the sake of God's world.

https://blogs.oxford.anglican.org/address-to-diocesan-synod-becoming-more-christ-like/

Prayer for the Benefice during the vacancy

Heavenly Father,

During this vacancy, we pray that you guard and bless our Wychwood Benefice as we serve you together during this time without a vicar.

Lord Jesus, We know that you have great plans for us. Help us all to take our part, growing in faith and love for one another, and reaching out to others.

Holy Spirit, Guide those who are seeking the right person for us, together with those who are seeking the right place for their ministry, that together we may discover your way for the future and see your kingdom grow. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Wychwood Chorale 10th Anniversary Concert Saturday 14 July, 7.30pm St Mary's, Charlbury

Celebrating our first ten years with a selection of favourites from our repertoire Free admission and refreshments. There will be a voluntary collection in aid of Aspire Oxfordshire Community Enterprise, Cecil's Fund and the church.

Readings Sunday 22 July Trinity 8 Psalm 89.20-37, Ephesians 2.11-22, Mark 6.30-34.53-56

Benefice Summer Office Hours:

July 15-21 Mon 9-2.30, Tues 10-2.30, Weds 12.30-2.30, Thurs 9-1

July 22-28 Thurs 10-11

July/August 29-4 Tues 9-4, Weds 9-3, Thurs 9-12

August 5-11 Tues 9-4, Weds 9-3, Thurs 9-12 **August 12-18** Weds 11-5, Thurs 9-4, Fri 9-12

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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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If you need to speak to a priest contact: Rev'd Anne Hartley Tel 01993 830160 anne@wychwoodbenefice.org.uk (Out of contact on Mondays)

Or Area Dean, Revd Dr Sally Welch Tel 01608 810230 or in an emergency 07974 439630

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