



Wychwood Benefice

Church News 3 & 10 July 2022

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

SUNDAY 3 JULY – TRINITY 3

11.00am Shipton United Benefice Holy Communion livestreamed

PRAYERS AND READINGS (YEAR C)

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**

First Reading Galatians 6:[1-6] 7-16

Paul finishes off his letter to the Galatians by reiterating that they must not try to modify the spiritual freedom of the Gospel with the rituals of Judaism – they must keep focused on the freedom that comes with Christ.

Gospel Luke 10:1-11. 16-20 Having previously sent the twelve disciples on a mission to preach, Jesus now extends the task to seventy followers. They return with joy, having seen the power of God in their hands.

Prayer List: Hostage John Cantlie, Marian Clark and Emma Bradford.

SUNDAY 10 JULY – TRINITY 4

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| 9.30am | Milton Holy Communion livestreamed |
| 11.00am | Shipton Holy Communion |
| 11.00am | Fifield BCP Morning Prayer |

PRAYERS AND READINGS (YEAR C)

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**

First Reading Colossians 1:1-14 The lives of the Colossian believers were certainly full: according to this passage, they are full of the Spirit and transformed by love. Paul doesn't burden them with thousands of rules, but prays that as they receive more of the Spirit, they will be able to live as God wants.

Gospel Luke 10:25-37 The Samaritan's actions are so simple, so straightforward, so humane. Yet with all the unresolved business of generations of sectarian violence and hatred, they were so difficult and challenging to Jesus' listeners. The conclusion is that the Samaritan acted as the neighbour – and God says, “Love your neighbour as yourself.” This can only mean letting go of “them and us” barriers.

MID WEEK HOLY COMMUNION Wednesdays at 10.30am in Milton Church.

Shipton Church Cleaning

Mary Drainer has taken on the cleaning rota for Shipton Church and is looking for people to join the team. The first date is **Wednesday 6 July meeting at 9.30 in the church**. We hope to meet regularly to keep on top of the dust and cobwebs! If you can help with cleaning or help with planning the rota please get in touch with Mary 01993 832777.

Shipton Prize Draw June Winner

The Winner of the £100 for June was number 131.

If you would like to sign up for the rest of the year details are on the website:

wychwoodbenefice.org.uk/take-part-in-shiptons-monthly-prize-draw/

The Afternoon Tea in James and Jenny Walmsley's garden raised approximately £850. Many thanks to everyone who helped and those who attended.

The next Shipton Church Coffee Morning will be on Saturday 16 July 10-12noon.



Musical Events

Sunday 3 July, 3.30pm St Nicholas Church, Idbury Tea-Time Concert 3.30pm with *Eight in a Bar*

A summer afternoon concert of choral music followed by tea & cake in aid of Thrive North Oxfordshire and the Wychwood Benefice. Tickets £6 (free for under-18s) to include refreshments available from the Wychwood Benefice Office (office@wychwoodbenefice.org.uk, tel: 01993 832467) or on the door.

Saturday 9 July 7.30pm St Mary's Church, Shipton The Wychwood Chorale - All the World's a Stage - Music from Shakespeare to Sondheim

There will be a retiring collection for the church and The Good Grief Trust. Free admission and refreshments .



Fifield Church: Polishing Floor Tiles

Members of Fifield Church hope to polish the floor tiles in the near future. All offers of help gratefully received. Date to be decided. Please contact Catherine Hitchens or the Benefice Office.

Milton Church: Wardrobe offered free of charge & cupboard needed

At Milton we are sorting out our choir vestry, by getting rid of the very large old wooden wardrobe to make space for the stacking chairs and tables. It is going free for anyone who can move it, otherwise it will be dismantled. We will need a cupboard for our brooms, mops and cleaning materials so if anyone has one going spare – please contact Clare or Liz Watts on 07793583790.

Supporting Ukraine- update from the Diocese of Oxford

If you have matched with Ukrainian families/individuals through your own networks, do let us know as want to connect you to helpers and other support if you need it, [using this form](#).

Find out more about what the diocese is doing and how you can get involved at oxford.anglican.org/ukraine

Services and Coffee Mornings in our Care Homes

We are now going into our care homes on a regular basis and could do with some other people to come along and help/join in.

Old Prebendal House

3rd Tuesday of the month 11am Holy Communion

4th Tuesday of the month 11am Coffee Morning

Tall Trees

1st Monday of the month 2pm Holy Communion

The Paddocks

1st Tuesday of the month 11am Holy Communion

Meeting Dates

Monday 18 July 10am Mission and Outreach, Benefice Centre

All are welcome as we look at further ways of opening up the church and making links with the community.

Next Planning Ahead Meeting to look at services from

Remembrance to Christmas, Friday 29 July 9am in the Benefice Centre.
Following this week's Planning Ahead meeting, booklets with details of services up to Remembrance will be available shortly.

SUNDAY 17 JULY – TRINITY 5

9.30am Milton United Benefice Holy Communion livestreamed

3-5pm Messy Church Milton Church

6pm Fifield Choral Evensong

READINGS (YEAR C)

First Reading Colossians 1:15-28

Gospel Luke 10:38-42

Clare is working Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings.

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