



Fortnightly Church News for
Sunday 31 August & 7 September 2025

Wychwood Benefice

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

SUNDAY 31 AUGUST – TRINITY 11

11.00am United Benefice Holy Communion **Fifield**

PRAYERS AND READINGS TRINITY 11 (YEAR C)

Collect God of glory, the end of our searching, help us to lay aside all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom, and to give all that we have to gain the pearl beyond all price, through our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen**

Post Communion Lord of all mercy, we your faithful people have celebrated that one true sacrifice which takes away our sins and brings pardon and peace: by our communion keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel and preserve us from all sin; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

1st Reading Proverbs 25.6-7, **2nd Reading** Hebrews 13.1-8, 15,16,

Gospel Luke 14.1, 7-14.

Prayer List: Jenny Hayward, Stuart Wallace and John Hartley.

Banns: Holly and Jack in Milton ahead of their wedding in Wiltshire in October.

Baptisms: Eloise and Daisy.

R.I.P.: Beryl Moss and James Cox.

Funerals: There will be a service of Thanksgiving for the life of Beryl Moss on Monday 15 September 1pm in Milton church.

SUNDAY 7 SEPTEMBER – TRINITY 12

8.15am BCP Holy Communion **Shipton**

9.30am Worship for All **Milton**

11.00am BCP Holy Communion **Fifield**

6.00pm BCP Choral Evensong (Patronal) **Shipton**

PRAYERS AND READINGS TRINITY 12 (YEAR C)

Collect God of constant mercy, who sent your Son to save us: remind us of your goodness, increase your grace within us, that our thankfulness may grow, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Post Communion God of all mercy, in this eucharist you have set aside our sins and given us your healing: grant that we who are made whole in Christ may bring that healing to this broken world, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

1st Reading Deuteronomy 30.15-20, **2nd Reading** Philemon 1-21,
Gospel Luke 14:25-33.

Mid-Week Communion Wednesdays, 10am in Milton.

A colorful poster for the Shipton Church Fete. It features a light blue background with various colored balloons (pink, orange, green, yellow) and strings of triangular bunting flags in yellow, green, and red. The text is written in a playful, hand-drawn style.

Shipton Church Fete
on the Green
Saturday 30th August
12-4pm

Raffle, Pimms and Beer Tent, bottle stall, chocolate tombola, quality goods including Lego, jigsaws and children's toys. BBQ, Tea and Cakes, Games, trips up the tower and more.

Free Entry—All Welcome
Proceeds to St Mary the Virgin Parish Church



Saturday 13 September

Heather and Liz will both be taking part again raising funds for Milton church and would be grateful for any sponsorship. To sponsor Liz please go to: goodhub.com/go/oxfordshire-historic-churches-trust-200603. Liz writes:

"This is a very worthwhile cause, as in addition to the half proceeds received direct from my ride, the church can apply for grants from the Trust. We have in the past received a generous grant for essential repair works and expect to be applying again in the future."

To find out more or to take part go to:

ohct.org.uk/ride-and-stride/

Oxford Historic Churches has used a window panel from Shipton church as their Christmas card for this year. Shipton are selling these in bundles of 5 and 10 for £2.50 and £5.

Benefice News and planning for 28 September

The Reverend James Elward, currently a curate at the start of his third year, will be coming to work in the Wychwood Benefice on 18th September until Christmas. This placement will enable James to learn more about rural ministry. He will be sharing his ministry journey with you at the benefice service on 28th September before our discussion about the future and shared lunch. There is a brief outline of possible areas for reflection and list at the back of church to sign up for food.

Sunday 28 September after the 9.30am United Benefice Service in Milton Consultation and Bring-and-Share lunch

Sarah has been here a year already and would love to hear how the first year has gone and how we continue together in ministry. Following a discussion around events we will have a bring-and-share lunch in church.

Tickets on sale now!

GOSPEL BELL

Saturday 20 September, 2025, 7pm
St Mary's, Shipton-under-Wychwood

Tickets - £10 to include a glass of wine
Contact the office or a member of the PCC



Gospel Bell play uplifting, spiritual music from the American Gospel Blues and Country Gospel traditions.
An infectious, singalong, toe tapping treat!
You can listen to recordings of the songs we play via the home page: www.GospelBell.com



Next Date!

**Songs & Stories
around the firepit
in Milton churchyard**

**Sat 27 Sep 4pm
With toasted
marshmallows**

All welcome!

MEETINGS

Shipton PCC Monday 1 September 6.30pm in the church.

Milton PCC Thursday 4 September 10am in the church room.

Fifield with Idbury PCC Thursday 6 November 4pm.

Care Homes July and August

Mon 1 September 2.15pm Tall Trees Holy Communion.

Fri 5 September 10.30am The Paddocks Holy Communion.

Mon 8 September 2.30pm Old Prebendal Holy Communion.

Coffee, Cake & Company in Fifield Parish Hall, Thursdays

10.30-12.30 is back on Thursday, 4 September.

Memory Lane Café: Monday 15 September 10am-12pm Old

Prebendal House. For people experiencing memory loss, their carers, family and friends and those who have lost loved ones. Contact davidensor@mac.com 07836 613540.

Diary Date: Sunday 26 October 4pm Milton Church: The

Palmieri Piano Quartet. Tickets £15 including refreshments from Mike Hartley mike@rhartley.net t. 07976 532429 Music will include:

Mozart Quartet No 1 in G Min, Dora Pejačević Quartet, Mahler Piano Quartet.

Fifield Family Fun Run Sun 14 Sep 10am.

Raising funds for the Recreation Ground. Details at: fifieldvillage.co.uk Register at FifieldFunRun@gmail.com

SUNDAY 14 SEPTEMBER – TRINITY 13

11.00am United Benefice Holy Communion **Shipton**

1st Reading Exodus 32.7-14, **2nd Reading** 1 Timothy 1.12-17,
Gospel Luke 15.1-10.

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