



Fortnightly Church News for  
Sunday 17 & 24 August 2025

# Wychwood Benefice

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

## **SUNDAY 17 AUGUST – TRINITY 9**

9.30am Holy Communion **Milton**

11.00am Morning Prayer **Fifield**

11.00am Holy Communion **Shipton**

## **PRAYERS AND READINGS TRINITY 9 (YEAR C)**

**Collect** Gracious Father, revive your Church in our day, and make her holy, strong and faithful, for your glory's sake in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**Post Communion** Holy Father, who gathered us here around the table of your Son to share this meal with the whole household of God: in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace, gather people of every race and language to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading** Jeremiah 23.23-29, **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading** Hebrews 11.29 - 12.2,

**Gospel** Luke 12.49-56

**Prayer List:** Jenny Hayward, Stuart Wallace and Catherine Hitchens.

**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:** The funeral of James Cox is on Tuesday 19 August, 2pm in Milton Church. There will be a service of Thanksgiving for the life of Beryl Moss on Monday 15 September 1pm in Milton church.

## **SUNDAY 24 AUGUST – TRINITY 10**

9.30am United Benefice Holy Communion **Milton**

## **PRAYERS AND READINGS TRINITY 10 (YEAR C)**

**Collect** Lord of heaven and earth, as Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent in prayer, give us patience and courage never to lose hope, but always to bring our prayers before you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**Post Communion** God of our pilgrimage, you have willed that the gate of mercy should stand open for those who trust in you: look upon us with your favour that we who follow the path of your will may never wander from the way of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading** Isaiah 58.9b-14, **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading** Hebrews 12.18-29,  
**Gospel** Luke 13.10-17.

**Mid-Week Communion Wednesdays, 10am in Milton.**

## **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 18 August 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](mailto:davidensor@mac.com) 07836 613540.

## **Ride & Stride 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](https://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/](https://ohct.org.uk/ride-and-stride/)

**Diary Date: Sunday 26 October 4pm Milton Church: The Palmieri Piano Quartet.** Tickets £15 including refreshments from Mike Hartley [mike@rhartley.net](mailto:mike@rhartley.net) t. 07976 532429 Music will include: Mozart Quartet No 1 in G Min, Dora Pejačević Quartet, Mahler Piano Quartet.



### Shipton Church Fete:

- **Helpers needed!** Please contact David Ensor, James Walmsley or Mike or Joy Brooks.
- **Prizes for the bottle and chocolate tombola:** There is a box in the back of Shipton church for donations towards this year's tombola.
- **Raffle Tickets:** These are available to sell now and are available in Shipton church.

**Fifield Family  
Fun Run**  
Sun 14 Sep 10am.



Raising funds for the Recreation Ground. Details at: [fifieldvillage.co.uk](http://fifieldvillage.co.uk) Register at [FifieldFunRun@gmail.com](mailto:FifieldFunRun@gmail.com)



**Next Date! Songs & Stories  
around the firepit in Milton  
churchyard**

**Saturday 27 September 4pm**

With toasted marshmallows. All welcome!

**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.

# 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



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An infectious, singalong, toe tapping treat!  
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## SUNDAY 31 AUGUST – TRINITY II

11.00am United Benefice Holy Communion **Fifield**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading** Proverbs 25.6-7, **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading** Hebrews 13.1-8, 15,16,  
**Gospel** Luke 14.1, 7-14.

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