

**Sunday 24 August 2025**  
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*The Barton Benefice*

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**9.30am Said Eucharist with hymns, Duns Tew**

**11.00am Eucharist, Steeple Barton**

**5.00pm Evening Prayer, Westcote Barton**

**Readings**

**Isaiah 58.9b-14**

Hebrews 12.18-29

Psalm 103.1-8

**Luke 13.10-17**

**Hymns**

632 Fill thou my life, O Lord my God

294 We love the place, O God

503 *Send, O God, your Holy Spirit HC*

753 O praise ye the Lord!



**Lunchtime prayers** continue on Fridays at 12.15pm in Westcote Barton church.

Join in person or follow at home using the 'Prayer During the Day' service from Common Worship.  
<https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/prayer-during-day> (scroll this link to find the Prayer during the day on a Friday during ordinary time)

Please send notices to Clare by Tuesday evening.  
 Please also include any topics for our prayers  
[enquiries.bartonbenefice@outlook.com](mailto:enquiries.bartonbenefice@outlook.com)

**Details of services** are on the website  
[achurchnearyou.com/barton-benefice](http://achurchnearyou.com/barton-benefice) or check noticeboards.

**Rotas** are compiled by Clare Harper. For any requests or changes, please email Clare.

**Please Pray for ...**

For lasting peace in areas of conflict throughout the world and restraint where there is threat of war.  
 For a safe and peaceful outcome to the war in Ukraine following the ongoing meetings and talks, also for Israel and Gaza.  
 For everyone living in the wake of disasters and whose lives are adversely affected by changes in the climate.  
 For the work of aid agencies and all who are supported by them.  
 For wisdom for all who govern, in this country, at national and local levels.

For all who are experiencing hardship of any kind, in this country and beyond.

For all who are persecuted for their faith.

Take a moment to reflect on things in the news or whatever is on your mind right now.

**Local Prayers:**

For all preparing for baptism and marriage this year.

For young people in our communities.

For all receiving exam results and making decisions on next steps.

For all who are unwell.

For all receiving or recovering from treatment, giving thanks for all who are feeling better after a period of illness.

For all who have died recently.

All who are mourning the loss of a loved one, whether recently, or whose anniversary falls at this time.

**Meetings:**

**Wednesday 3 September 5.30/6pm Benefice Meeting**

**Duns Tew Village Hall.** There will be a speaker from Eco Church. If you wish the Benefice Meeting to consider specific topics when they meet, please contact Jane with information before 25<sup>th</sup> August.

**PCC Meetings for the Ws and WB will follow the Benefice Meeting and SB PCC meet re. The Chase.**

Wed 10 September 8pm **SSM PCC** in church.

Thurs 18 September 5pm **SB PCC** at Deborah's.

Wed 1 Oct 5.30pm **DT PCC** at Maria's.

**Sun 7 Sep from 1pm: The annual John Barrows Memorial Cricket Match is at Sandford Cricket Club.** This is in aid of the Lawrence Home Nurses. Do come along and support it if you can.

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September**



This is Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust's main source of donations, raising over £89,000 in 2024, which was divided between the trust and churches named by participants. If you would like to take part this year to support one of the churches in the Benefice OHCT has devised several new cycling and walking routes to help you plan. Registering and sponsoring a church is easy online.

[ohct.org.uk/ride-and-stride/](http://ohct.org.uk/ride-and-stride/)

## Sunday 14 September 11am Harvest Festival & Celebratory Service for the Organ's Restoration in Over Worton Church

We are delighted to welcome Trevor Burley as guest organist for this service of music and festive hymns. All are welcome to come and see the church decorated for Harvest. Refreshments will follow.

## Sunday 21 September Harvest Service in the Alice Marshall Hall at 6pm followed by Harvest supper.

Come and celebrate harvest with a short service including harvest readings followed by a 2 course, hot supper. Tickets are £10. Contact Kate Carter-Windle on 07775 750903 or sign up in church.



### SAVE THE DATE!

**Steeple Barton Chase!**

**This year it is on Sunday 5 October**

Booking and information at:

[fran0476.wixsite.com/steeplebartonchase/entry](http://fran0476.wixsite.com/steeplebartonchase/entry)

A challenging and enjoyable course across fields and through woodland in the lovely grounds of Barton Abbey (for walkers or runners!).

Enjoy hot and cold refreshments before and after the race. All profits will go towards the upkeep of Steeple Barton church. Booking and information at:

All Enquires email: [steeplebartonchase@outlook.com](mailto:steeplebartonchase@outlook.com)

### Food Bank: Donations in the Porch

Please continue to help by leaving a donation of tins / jars / packets of food for the whole family, plus pet food, in the porch of WB or SB.

### Deanery News/Events

**The Woodstock Deanery are celebrating Creation Sunday on 7 September** with the following events open to all. At 2pm there is a walk and scavenger hunt starting at St Martin's church, Bladon. This will be followed by tea at 3.30pm at St Mary Magdalene, Woodstock and then a return walk to Bladon. There is also ENGAGE an informal worship service in Woodstock church at 5pm and Choral Evensong in Bladon Church at 6pm.

### Study Group

**The Study Group will resume on 17 September, 5pm at the Rectory. New members are always welcome, sessions last about an hour, just bring a Bible.**



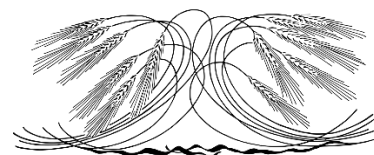
### Sunday 31 August Eleventh Sunday after Trinity



**11am Benefice Eucharist for Lammastide with Benefice Choir, Westcote Barton**

*The service will begin outside (weather permitting) moving into church for a Eucharist. Everyone welcome as all our parishes come together to give thanks. Lammas begins the harvest season with Harvest Festivals marking the end.*

*Please share information about this service with friends from the agricultural community and invite them to join us.*



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