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Collect

O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace, that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Our Benefice Prayer

Lord God, in our striving towards your kingdom, send the gift of your Holy Spirit to work through our benefice.

Help us to look forward, to act together with mutual support,
to be open to your will, to seek to avoid conflict and to nurture loving relationships.
Give us vision, patience and wisdom so that our churches may grow and our communities be blessed with your Grace
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

5th Sunday in August
The Upper Meon Parishes
East Meon, Langrish, Warnford and West Meon



All of them were filled with the Holy. (Acts 2: 4a)

Pew News 31st August

This Saturday 30th August

All Saints' Church, East Meon

6 pm RC Vigil Mass

Sunday Services

Every Sunday

All Saints' Church, East Meon

8 am Holy Communion BCP

following the BCP Lectionary

31st August – 1st Sunday after Trinity

5th Sunday Benefice Service

11.30 am – Butser Hill Service

– Bring a picnic or enjoy the café after the service -
Bring your Kites. At Langrish if wet.

An Extract from Genesis 1.1-10; Acts 2: 1-4

Services During the Week

The First Tuesday in the Month

6 pm Compline at Langrish

Each Wednesday in

9 am Morning Prayer at West Meon & Langrish

Services for the next two weeks:

2nd September

6 pm Compline at Langrish

7th September – 12th Sunday after Trinity

Philemon 1-21; Luke 14: 25-33

Our Lady, Warnford

9 am – Mattins BCP

All Saints' Church, East Meon

10.30 am – Benefice Eucharist

St John the Evangelist, West Meon

6 pm – The Accession of King Charles III (BCP)

Proverbs 8: 1-16; Romans 13:1-10

14th September – Holy Cross

Philippians 2.6-11; John 3.13-17

St John the Evangelist, Langrish

9 am – Service of the Word

NB Our Lady, Warnford

10:30 am – Benefice Eucharist

For your prayers...

In Ordinary Time we are encouraged to pray for a variety of areas of our lives and the world, but especially each morning for the day ahead and its tasks, the world and its needs, and the Church and her life. In the evening, we are encouraged to pray for peace and for individuals and their needs.

For peace among all peoples, not least in the Middle East in Sudan, and Ukraine. For Christians persecuted because of their faith world-wide.

IDWAL – Inter Diocesan West Africa Link



Our Benefice has links with Ghana. East Meon with Ayifuah, Langrish with Jameso Nkwanto, Warnford & West Meon with Winneba. Please remember the people and priests of these churches in your prayers.

We pray for all our brothers and sisters of the Diocese, and especially for Bishop Jonathan, our Archdeacon Kathryn and our Area Dean Susie, and for our local brothers and sisters of all denominations.

We pray that as we move ever closer to becoming an Official Benefice we may unite through the love of Christ, respecting our differences and enjoying our fellowship. We pray for the community and parish of Langrish as the draft Pastoral Scheme is considered and for the Church Commissioners, who will determine its outcome.

We pray for all our schools around the Benefice and for all the preparing to up a class or to a new school, college or leaving for university. We pray for the staff preparing for the new academic year.

The Unwell – please notify Fr Tony for private or public prayers.

Recently Departed



Jayne Thompson (East Meon)

Mary Dawson (West Meon).

Mary's funeral will take place in West Meon at 12 noon on 5th September.

Kit Power (Warnford):

Kit's Thanksgiving Service in West Meon Church on 16th October at 2:30 pm.

Please keep the families and friends of Jayne, Kit and Mary in your prayers.

NOTICES PLEASE

Notices for next week by

Tuesday, 2nd September at 12 noon please to:

beneficeuppermeon@gmail.com

NOTICES

All Saints' Church, East Meon

A huge vote of thanks to the organisers and contributors of the East Meon Arts 'Frank Turner Concert' which has raised £50,000 for the upkeep of the church.

Watch this space for more events in our parishes.

Jane's Boys! First Wednesday of the month, 6pm-8pm in the George on **Wednesday 3rd September**. All men of drinking age welcome to join!

Ringing News:

Interested to know more about bell ringing or already ring and would like to ring locally why not get in touch. We are a friendly band of ringers who practise most Fridays at 7.30. If you would like more information, including about our dedicated learner sessions, contact Pam Barnsley at pmbarnsley@hotmail.com.

Pop-Up Choir: Last Tuesday in the month, 7.15 - 8.15pm, East Meon Village Hall. All Welcome.

East Meon Arts Presents: Southern Sunshine
7.30 pm - 20th September 2025

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An evening of Spanish Choral Music from the Renaissance to the Modern Day

Our Lady, Warnford

Warnford Village Fete -

THIS SATURDAY 30th August 2025 at 1pm Warnford Playground. Entry is FREE OF CHARGE Contributions would be appreciated for the following stalls: - Books, Bottles, Plants, Toys, Tombola, Cakes & Preserves Bric-a-Brac. Please contact Amie Boyes at amieboyes@icloud.com for details. Thank You!

St John the Evangelist, Langrish

Compline will be sung in Langrish Church on **Tuesday 2nd September at 6pm**. Do join us for this short, quiet, reflective service.

St John the Evangelist, West Meon

The last August Afternoon Teas of the Season!
Teas will be served in the grounds of St John's, **West Meon** at **3 – 5 pm** on **31st August**.

Do go and enjoy the true summer delight of a cream tea or home-made cake with hot or cold drinks in the beautiful setting of the Churchyard.

New helpers always welcome too!

Contact Susan Berry: susanclareberry@gmail.com or 07941096308.

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Commemorative Walk Saturday 11th October: Steep to East Meon

Before the building of All Saints' Steep, in around 1125 AD, people from Steep had to travel to All Saints', East Meon to attend services.

For anyone wishing to take part in a walk to mark that ancient link, we shall meet at Steep Church at 9.45 and walk in the footsteps of our forebears to East Meon.