

**Weekly Pew Sheet for the benefice of
Newport and Carisbrooke with Gatcombe**



Sunday 19th October 2025 - Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to our benefice! If you are visiting one of our churches for the first time, please introduce yourself to us!

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Collect; God, our judge and saviour, teach us to be open to your truth and to trust in your love, that we may live each day with confidence in the salvation which is given through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST READING; Nehemiah 12: 27-47

Now at the dedication of the wall of Jerusalem they sought out the Levites in all their places, to bring them to Jerusalem to celebrate the dedication with rejoicing, with thanksgivings and with singing, with cymbals, harps, and lyres. The companies of the singers gathered together from the circuit around Jerusalem and from the villages of the Netophathites, also from Beth-gilgal and from the region of Geba and Azmaveth, for the singers had built for themselves villages around Jerusalem. And the priests and the Levites purified themselves, and they purified the people and the gates and the wall.

Then I brought the leaders of Judah up onto the wall and appointed two great companies that gave thanks and went in procession. One went to the right on the wall to the Dung Gate, and after them went Hoshaiah and half the officials of Judah, and Azariah, Ezra, Meshullam, Judah, Benjamin, Shemaiah, and Jeremiah, and some of the young priests with trumpets: Zechariah son of Jonathan son of Shemaiah son of Mattaniah son of Micaiah son of Zaccur son of Asaph, and his kindred, Shemaiah, Azarel, Milalai, Gilalai, Maai, Nethanel, Judah, and Hanani, with the musical instruments of David the man of God, and Ezra the scribe went in front of them. At the Fountain Gate, in front of them, they went straight up by the stairs of the city of David, at the ascent of the wall, above the house of David, to the Water Gate on the east.

The other company of those who gave thanks went to the left, and I followed them with half of the people on the wall, above the Tower of the Ovens, to the Broad Wall, and above the Gate of Ephraim, and by the Old Gate, and by the Fish Gate and the Tower of Hananel and the Tower of the Hundred, to the Sheep Gate, and they came to a halt at the Gate of the Guard. So both companies of those who gave thanks stood in the house of God, and I and half of the officials with me; and the priests Eliakim, Maaseiah, Miniamin, Micaiah, Elioenai, Zechariah, and Hananiah, with trumpets; and Maaseiah, Shemaiah, Eleazar, Uzzi, Jehohanan, Malchijah, Elam, and Ezer. And the singers sang with Jezrahiah as their leader. They offered great sacrifices that day and rejoiced, for God had made them rejoice with great joy; the women and children also rejoiced. The joy of Jerusalem was heard far away.

On that day men were appointed over the chambers for the stores, the contributions, the first fruits, and the tithes, to gather into them the portions required by the law for the priests and for the Levites from the fields belonging to the towns, for Judah rejoiced over the priests and the Levites who ministered. They performed the service of their God and the service of purification, as did the singers and the gatekeepers, according to the command of David and his son Solomon. For in the days of David and Asaph long ago there was a leader of the singers, and there were songs of praise and thanksgiving to God. In the days of Zerubbabel and in the days of Nehemiah all Israel gave the daily portions for the singers and the gatekeepers. They set apart that which was for the Levites, and the Levites set apart that which was for the descendants of Aaron.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

GOSPEL READING; Luke 18:1-8

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke
Glory to you, O Lord

Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my accuser.' For a while he refused, but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.' " And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

This is the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you O Christ

Post communion prayer; We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast: for here we receive you, here the memory of your passion is renewed, here our minds are filled with grace, and here a pledge of future glory is given, when we shall feast at that table where you reign with all your saints for ever. **Amen.**

What's on in our parish?

Informal Evening Service: Join us every Sunday evening at Newport Minster for our new service, starting at 6:30 pm. Come early to enjoy coffee and community before we begin. Each week we gather for a night of worship, prayer, and the Word. All are welcome – we'd love to see you there!

Morning Prayer at The Minster: Monday-Friday at 8.30am. All welcome.

Play café: Has spaces available for pre-school children at the Minster on Tuesday mornings from 10.30am-noon. Play café will be open during the school holidays, older siblings are welcome.

Parson's Pantry: Wednesday mornings, 10-12 noon in Carisbrooke Church Hall. Enjoy a chat over tea, coffee and cake. All welcome.

Alpha at Newport Minster: Join us on Wednesday's for our new Alpha courses: Morning Alpha: 10:30am-12:00pm or Evening Alpha: 7:00pm-9:00pm. Alpha is a series of interactive sessions that explore life, faith, and meaning. Each week we look at a different question about the Christian faith, watch a short video, and share an open conversation in a relaxed setting. It is a great opportunity to meet new people, enjoy coffee (and pastries in the morning or puddings in the evening), and ask the big questions of life. Free and open to all. If you would like to attend please email: Joe Shurmer joseph.shurmer@cofeheartofwight.org

St. John's Midweek Service: Takes place on Wednesday at 11am. This week the service is Morning Prayer.

St. John's Lunch Club: Every Wed, 11.45am-1pm in St John's Church Hall. £4.50 per person. To book a place, please contact lead, Di Hayman on 07901 553674.

Minster Memory Café: Autumn Timetable is now out and can be found at the back of church for anyone who might enjoy coming along or wanting to find out more.

Food Bank: At St. John's Church Hall from 2-4pm every Wed and Fri afternoon.

Singing for Fun: In the Parish Centre, Wednesday evening at 7pm. All welcome.

Saturday November 1st: From 10am until 2.30pm St. Olave's Merry Christmas Craft Market. Lots of exciting artisan craft stalls for your early Christmas Shopping PLUS St. Olave's Coffee Shop open as usual for delicious refreshments.

Murder Mystery Evening: Our next Murder Mystery Evening takes place on SATURDAY 1st November at 6.30pm. It takes place in St. Mary's Church Hall and is entitled "Murder at the Casino". Everyone is welcome to come and act a part or be a detective to solve the crime. Tickets are £12 and include a light supper. Send an email to: friendsofcarisbrookechurch@hotmail.com or text Peter on 07919 096838 to book a place or get further details.

Friday November 14th at 7.30pm: St Olave's Quiz at The Gallybagger, Main Road, Chillerton. Please contact Harriet on 07833 311674 to book a table.