

Sunday 5 October 2025
Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity
The Barton Benefice

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Confessor, king, 1066 (Lesser Festival)

9.30am Eucharist, Westcote Barton (Patronal)

11.00am Eucharist, Over Worton

5.00pm Evening Prayer, Sandford St Martin

Readings for WB and OW

1 John 4. 13-16

Matthew 5.1-12

Readings for SSM

Habakkuk 1.1-4; 2.1-4

Psalms 37.1-9 1

2 Timothy 1.1-14

Luke 17.5-10

Hymns are on the Readings & Collects Sheet.

NEW: Rotas are now compiled by Jennie Barry & Deborah Bailey. For any requests or changes, please email beneficerota@gmail.com

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

Join in person or on 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. Clare works Wednesday lunch time and Thursday morning. Please also include any topics for our prayers enquiries.bartonbenefice@outlook.com

Details of services are on the website achurchnearyou.com/barton-benefice or check noticeboards.

Clare is next at the Rectory on Thursday 6 November. Please get in touch with any printing or general benefice administration requests.

Please Pray for ...

For lasting peace throughout the world and restraint where there is threat of war.

For a safe and peaceful outcome to the war in Ukraine, also for Israel, Gaza and places which experience ongoing conflict.

For everyone living in the wake of disasters & all whose lives are adversely affected by changes in the climate.

For the work of aid agencies & all 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 and all who work in education.

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.

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

STEEPLE BARTON CHASE

AT BARTON ABBEY

10K, 5K & FUN RUN

(IT IS ALSO A VERY PLEASANT WALK - DOGS WELCOME ON THE LEAD)

SUNDAY 5TH OCT

START AT 10 AM

DETAILS- INCLUDING A LINK TO SIGN UP AT:
www.entrycentral.com/steeplebartonchase

Study Group

Thursday 2 October at the Rectory at 5.30pm

Wednesday 8 October 5.30pm at Susan's.

There will be chance to look at questions which have arisen from Andrew's summer sessions.

New members welcome, sessions last about an hour, just bring a Bible.



COFFEE, CAKE, CHAT & CHRISTMAS CARDS

Saturday 4th October

Duns Tew Village Hall

10.30-12.30

Come to support the Medical/Orphan & Borehole Projects (or [make a donation...](#))

www.tzaba.org

(Transvaal, Zimbabwe and Botswana Association)

Taizé Service Sunday 12 October, 5-6pm

St Laurence's Church, Combe

A special service of candlelight, chants, readings and prayers in the style of the Taizé Community in Burgundy. The Church Choir and School Choir will lead the singing some of the beautiful Taizé chants, accompanied by a group of instrumentalists.

All Souls' Day Service Sunday 2 November 3.30pm
Westcote Barton Church followed by refreshments in the Alice Marshall Hall

The service includes music, readings, prayers, and reading the names of those who have died, as we light candles in their memory. Everyone is welcome to attend and please do invite other friends and family who may wish to attend. R.S.V.P. (if possible) by 31 October letting us know how many people will be coming and the name(s) of those you would like to be remembered in the service. Email Steph or post through the Rectory door.

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.

Handel: Messiah - Choir of The Queen's College, Oxford & Academy of Ancient Music Wed, 3 Dec. 7pm

Esther Lay (Rector of Wooton, Glympton and Kiddington) is one of the soloists in this performance. If you would like to go, **please book your own tickets asap** and then let Maria know if you'd like to travel on the Barton Bus m.coonick@btinternet.com.

The deadline for booking transport is **Friday 31 October**. There will be a cost to be shared according to the number travelling. Info on the concert and booking tickets here <https://www.queenschoir.com/tickets>.

Houseplants

There are houseplants at the Rectory from Sally looking for homes. Judith and John Allan had big Christmas cactus plants, now also looking for a home. Please let Jane know if you are interested.

Considering Confirmation in 2026?

If any adults or children are seeking confirmation in 2026 or would like to explore this, please contact Jane. The Bishop will be arranging dates for services soon.

Sunday 12 October
Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity
With Rev'd David Jackson

9.30am Eucharist (said with hymns)
Steeple Barton

11.00am Eucharist, Duns Tew

Readings

2 Kings 5.1-3, 7-15c
2 Timothy 2.8-15

Psalms 111
Luke 17.11-19

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