

Sunday 15 February 2026

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The Barton Benefice

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Jane's Farewell Service & Drinks

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Service (Eucharist) 10am
Steeple Barton Church

Refreshments from 11.30am at
Middle Barton Sports & Social Club

If you'd like to leave a farewell message to Jane, there will be cards available to sign in the churches. And if you'd like to contribute towards a leaving gift please visit the website for details

achurchnearyou.com/church/3413/service-and-events/events/1279128/

Readings

Exodus 24: 12 – end

Psalm 2 or Psalm 99

2 Peter 1: 6 – end

Matthew 17: 1 - 9

Hymns and Readings are in Sunday's order of service.

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

CONTACT INFORMATION DURING THE VACANCY

Email:

From 18 February the new Benefice email is
bartonbenefice@gmail.com

Please note Jane's email:

clergy.bartonbenefice@gmail.com will be discontinued from 18 February.

Tel:

From 18 February the new Benefice phone number is 07752 763912

The Rectory Landline Tel 01869 340510 and Mobile 07840 319850 will not work from 18 February.

These contact details are also on the website.

Invitation to Jane's Installation

Monday 9 March, 7.30pm at



St Peter and St Paul Church,
Church Lane, Shiplake,
Henley-on-Thames

NB the venue has changed!

You are also invited to the Rectory from 5 onwards for tea and cake before the service. There will also be refreshments in church after the service.

Parking: All parking is at Shiplake College RG9 4BW.

N.B. there is no parking by the church. There are a couple of spaces for anyone with reduced mobility. Please let Deborah know.

Please R.S.V.P. to Deborah
deborahbailey46@hotmail.com
indicating the number of seats required for the service and whether or not you are planning to come early for refreshments with Jane and Alan in Shiplake. Further directions/parking details available from Deborah.

Lunchtime prayers continue on Fridays at 12.15pm.

On 13 February at 4 Pound Bank Sandford Saint Martin (Ed's). On 20 February at 13 Marshall Crescent, Middle Barton (Sam's).

Join in person or on www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/prayer-during-day (scroll to find the Prayer during the day on a Friday for 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 noticeboards & the website achurchnearyou.com/barton-benefice .

Please Pray for ...

For lasting peace throughout the world and restraint where there is threat of war and unrest including in Iran and the US.

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, marriage and funerals.

For families who have recently held a funeral or are preparing for one in the coming days.

For all who are unwell.

For all who are awaiting test results, and those receiving or recovering from treatment, giving thanks for all who are healing or feeling better after a period of illness.

For all who have died recently in our communities and beyond.

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



Lent Lunches and Study Groups

Lent Study Groups on Weds 4 March, Tues 17 March and Weds 1 April, all at 5.30pm at 34, Duns Tew. The theme is

the Nicene Creed: getting to grips with what we say we believe.



The theme for this year's **Lent Lunches** is religious paintings.

Please arrive at 12.15 for 12.30pm soup lunch. 1.15 talk followed by questions, finishing at 1.45pm. Please book by emailing: sara.cunningham3@btinternet.com

First lunch on Thurs 26 Feb, DT Village Hall. Further dates on the leaflet.

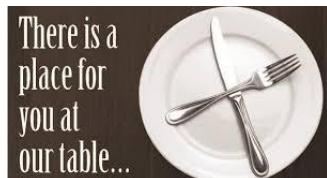
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Ash Wednesday 18 February

12noon Ash Wednesday Eucharist
with imposition of Ashes **Duns Tew**



Wednesday Lunch Club
every week 12-2pm in the
Alice Marshall Hall. 2
course lunch for £7 meet
old friends and make some
new ones. Raising funds for local churches and
charities. All welcome.



Sunday 22 February First Sunday of Lent


The Destiny Breakfast every
Saturday 9.30 -12.00 in the Alice
Marshall Hall. From
full English to
pastries and lots in between. Raising
money for the Destiny Fund supporting
local children's events. Everyone welcome



Food Bank: Donations in the Porch

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



Readings

Genesis 2: 15-17; 3: 1-7

Psalm 32

Romans 5: 12 – 19

Matthew 4: 1 - 11

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To speak to someone or for prayer requests, please
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