

**Sunday 8 February 2026**

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***The Barton Benefice***

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**9.30am Eucharist (said with hymns),  
Steeple Barton**

**11.00am Eucharist, Duns Tew**

**Readings**

Genesis 1: 1 – 23    Psalm 136 or 136: 1 - 9, 23 - 26

**Romans 8: 18 – 25    Matthew 6: 25 - 34**

**Hymns** are on the Readings & Collects Sheet.

**Rotas** are now compiled by Jennie Barry & Deborah Bailey. For any requests or changes, please email [beneficerota@gmail.com](mailto:beneficerota@gmail.com)

**Lunchtime prayers** continue on Fridays at 12.15pm.

**On 6 February** at 11 Mill Lane Middle Barton (Susan Small). On 13 February at 4 Pound Bank Sandford Saint Martin (Ed's).

Join in person or on [www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/prayer-during-day](http://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](http://achurchnearyou.com/barton-benefice) .

Clare is next at the Rectory on **Thursday 12 February**

Please get in touch with any printing or general benefice administration requests.

**Contact information during the Vacancy:**

**Email:**

**From 16 February** the new Benefice email is [bartonbenefice@gmail.com](mailto:bartonbenefice@gmail.com)

*Please note Jane's email:*

[clergy.bartonbenefice@gmail.com](mailto:clergy.bartonbenefice@gmail.com) will be discontinued from 18 February.

**Tel:**

**From 16 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.*

**Jane's Farewell Service & Drinks**

**Sunday 15 February**

**Service 10am Steeple Barton Church**

**Refreshments from 11.30am at**

**Middle Barton Sports & Social Club**

Jane and Alan have enjoyed seven wonderful years in the Barton Benefice, and thank everyone for their support, generosity and friendship.

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/](http://achurchnearyou.com/church/3413/service-and-events/events/1279128/)



**Invitation to Jane's Installation**

**Monday 9 March, 7.30pm at All Saints Church, Dunsden**

Church Lane Dunsden Reading, RG4 9PH,

Everyone is welcome to attend Jane's Licensing in the Shiplake Benefice near Henley on Thames.

Anyone coming is also welcome to drop in for tea and cake beforehand.

**Please RSVP** to Deborah

[deborahbailey46@hotmail.com](mailto:deborahbailey46@hotmail.com)

indicating the number of seats required for the service and whether or not you are able to come early for refreshments with Jane and Alan in Shiplake.

### 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 this month.

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

For all who are unwell.

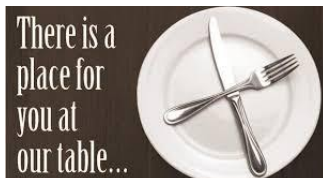
For all who are awaiting test results, and those receiving or recovering from treatment, giving thanks for all who are healing or feeling better after a period of illness.

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.

### Wednesday Community Lunch 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



### Saturday Community Breakfast every week 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



**Coffee Morning, Saturday 7 Feb, 10.30 -12.30 in Duns Tew Village Hall** in aid of Thames Valley Air ambulance. Bacon baps, delicious cakes, tea, coffee.

### 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.



### Ash Wednesday Eucharist 12noon Duns Tew Church – 18 February.

With imposition of Ashes.



**Study Group:** The next meeting is on **Wednesday 11 February 6pm** at Steph's. We will be looking at the next sections of Church of England Booklet "We Believe". For further info contact Steph: [stephanilacey34@icloud.com](mailto:stephanilacey34@icloud.com)

**Consensio**  
*directed by Dr Paul Hedley*

*An afternoon choral concert for*  
**Epiphany and Candlemas**  
*Pieces by Byrd, Howells, Poulenc and others*



**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> February, at 3pm**  
**in Duns Tew Church**  
*Tickets: £12 (under 16s free)*  
*Tea, Coffee, Cake*  
*in aid of Duns Tew Church, OX25 6JP*  
*To book, contact: Clare Burgess*  
*[dunstewpcc@gmail.com](mailto:dunstewpcc@gmail.com)*  
*07909 881596*

### Sunday 15 February Sunday Next Before Lent

**10.00am Jane's Farewell Service (Eucharist),  
Steeple Barton**

**Followed by refreshments at  
Sports & Social Club**

#### Readings

<b>Exodus 24: 12 – end</b>	<b>Psalm 2 or Psalm 99</b>
<b>2 Peter 1: 6 – end</b>	<b>Matthew 17: 1 - 9</b>

**The Revd Jane Wright, Rector of the Benefice**  
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