

**Sunday 1 March 2026**  
**Second Sunday of Lent**  
***The Barton Benefice***

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**9.30am Eucharist, Westcote Barton**  
*with thanks to Rev Charles Chadwick*

**11.00am Eucharist, Over Worton**  
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**5.00pm Evening Prayer, Sandford St Martin**

**Readings**

**Genesis 12.1 - 4a**

**Psalm 121**

**Romans 4.1 - 5, 13-17**

**John 3.1 - 17**

**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)

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) .

**CONTACT INFORMATION DURING THE VACANCY**

**Email:**

**From 18 February** the new Benefice email is [bartonbenefice@gmail.com](mailto: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.*



THE PARISHES OF ST. PETER & ST. PAUL,  
SHIPLAKE, ALL SAINTS, DUNSDEN and  
ST. MARGARETS', HARPSDEN CUM BOLNEY  
Invite you to the

Licensing by the Bishop of Dorchester and the  
Archdeacon of Dorchester  
of

The Revd Jane Wright

as

Priest-in-Charge

on Monday 9 March 2026 at 7.30pm in the  
Church of St. Peter and St. Paul,  
Shiplake, RG9 4BS

**N.B. 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. Further directions/parking details including a map are also available from Deborah.

**Please R.S.V.P.** to [deborahbailey46@hotmail.com](mailto:deborahbailey46@hotmail.com) indicating the number of seats required for the service and whether you are planning to come early for refreshments with Jane and Alan in Shiplake.

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

**On 27 February** at 11 Mill Lane Middle Barton (Susan's). On 6 March 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 Lent).

## 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 Jane and Alan as they move and settle in a new benefice, giving thanks for Jane's ministry here over the past 7 ½ years.

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.

### 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



**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

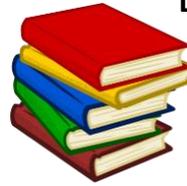


### Food Bank: Donations in the Porch

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.



## 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](mailto:sara.cunningham3@btinternet.com)

First lunch on Thursday 26 February at Duns Tew Village Hall. Rembrandt's 'The Prodigal Son' (DT hosting)

Thursday 5 March at the Grange Over Worton Reubens Adoration of the Magi (Wortons hosting)



Further dates on the leaflet.

**Download the leaflet with full details here:**

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**Great Tew Lent Course:** We have also been invited to participate in the Lent Course in Great Tew which will explore the authorship of the four Gospels. Details also on the leaflet above.

The next one is: Tues 3 March, Crimea House 7pm-8.15 The Gospel According to St Matthew Simple refreshments will be served.

### Meetings

**Westcote Barton PCC Fri 6 March 6pm The Manor WB Deanery Synod Weds 11 March 7.30pm Woodstock Duns Tew PCC Wed 18 March 5.30pm at Carol's**

### Sunday 8 March Third Sunday of Lent

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

**11.00am Eucharist, Duns Tew**

### Readings

Exodus 17. 1-7

Psalms 95

Romans 5. 1-11

John 4. 5-42

To speak to someone or for prayer requests, please contact Susan 01869 340455 or Steph 01869347350 stephanielacey34@icloud.com For admin enquiries, please email Clare Harper, Benefice Administrator [enquiries.bartonbenefice@outlook.com](mailto:enquiries.bartonbenefice@outlook.com) [facebook.com/bartonbenefice/](https://www.facebook.com/bartonbenefice/) [achurchnearyou.com/barton-benefice](https://www.achurchnearyou.com/barton-benefice)