



Sunday 29 March 2026
The Barton Benefice



Don't forget to set all of your clocks one hour ahead!

Palm Sunday



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Thanks to The Revd Preb. Jane Haslam for leading today's service

11.00am Eucharist, Over Worton
With George the Donkey & dressing up parade to church

Readings: Liturgy of the Palms
Matthew 21. 1-end
Psalm 118. 1-2, 19-end

Hymns are on the Readings & Collects Sheet.

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

Please send notices to Clare by Wednesday morning. 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 .

Lunchtime prayers on Fridays at 12.15pm. Is now on a break – will be back on 10 April.

Lent Study Group: On Weds 1 April, we are having a speaker on the Nicene Creed: Russell Jefford - an expert in early church history. Wed 1 April, 5.30pm at 34, Duns Tew.

Lent Lunch: Please book by emailing: sara.cunningham3@btinternet.com

Final Lent Lunch on Friday 27 March at Alice Marshall Hall, Middle Barton. Please arrive at 12.15 for 12.30pm lunch. Carol Lister speaking on Caravaggio's 'The supper at Emmaus' (Westcote Barton hosting)

Great Tew Lent Course: Details also on the leaflet above. The next one is on Tues March 31, The Vicarage 7-8.15pm The Gospel According to St John. Simple refreshments will be served.



BARTON BENEFICE CHURCH SERVICES
HOLY WEEK

PALM SUNDAY 29 MARCH
11am Eucharist, Over Worton with donkey & dressing up parade to church

MAUNDY THURSDAY 2 APRIL
6.30pm Supper, Eucharist & Vigil, Sandford St Martin

GOOD FRIDAY 3 APRIL
9.30am Children's Service, Duns Tew with crafts & Hot Cross Buns
2.00pm Reflective Service, Steeple Barton

EASTER EVE SAT 4 APRIL
8pm Vigil & Eucharist, Westcote Barton

EASTER DAY 5 APRIL
9.30am Eucharist, Steeple Barton + refreshments
11am Eucharist, Duns Tew + egg hunt
11am Eucharist, Sandford St Martin

HOLY WEEK

All are welcome at any/all of our services during Holy Week and Easter Weekend. Do spread the word! The Benefice Choir will be at the Maundy Thursday and Easter Vigil Services.

Maundy Thursday 2 April
6.30pm Supper, Eucharist & Vigil at Sandford
Please book supper by end of Monday 30 March *latest*
Contact Jennie Barry jennie.barry@outlook.com or Sara sara.cunningham3@btinternet.com



Family @ Church

3rd April
What was Good about that Friday?
Join us for crafts and breakfast, crowns and crosses

Family@Church in Duns Tew, an all-ages service
Breakfast and crafts from 9am!

Any queries, please contact dunstewpcc@gmail.com
Clare Burgess 07909 881596

NB: Change to services on Easter Day:

Pls note there is **not** a service in Over Worton but there are services in SB, DT and SSM to which all are welcome.

Please Pray for ...

For a peaceful resolution to the war in the Middle East and for lasting peace throughout the world and restraint where there is threat of war and unrest.

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.

For Jane and Alan as they settle in the Benefice of Shiplake, Dunsden and Harpsden.

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.

PCCs

SSM: Monday 30 March 7.30pm The Old Forge, Sara's house (or on zoom).

APCMs

The Wortons: Thurs 16 April 6pm followed by PCC in Over Worton church.

Westcote Barton: Weds 29 April, 5.30pm.

Sandford St Martin: Wed 29 April 7.30pm in church.

Duns Tew: Thurs 30 April 5.30pm in Duns Tew church.

Steeple Barton: Thurs 14 May 5.30pm SB church.

CONTACT INFORMATION DURING THE VACANCY

The Benefice email is: bartonbenefice@gmail.com

Jane's email: clergy.bartonbenefice@ is no longer in use

The Benefice phone number is 07752 763912

The Rectory Landline Tel 340510 and Mobile 319850 no longer work.

Food Bank: Donations in the Porch

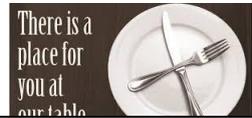
Please continue to help by leaving a donation of tins / jars / packets of food for the whole family, plus pet food, in the porch of WB or SB.

Recruiting Jane's successor

Diocese representatives met the churchwardens and other PCC members on 24 Feb and outlined the

timetable for recruiting Jane's successor. This set out the formal meetings, and a proposed date for interviews on 4 Sept. There is much to do before then! One of the first jobs will be for each parish to elect representatives to compile the benefice profile by the end of June and another group of parish representatives for the interviews. Churchwardens will be arranging PCC meetings for this purpose in the next few weeks.

Wednesday Lunch Club every week 12-2pm in the Alice Marshall Hall. 2



BARTON BENEFICE COMMUNITY MEETING TO HELP US CHOOSE OUR NEXT RECTOR! ON MONDAY, 20 APRIL 2026, 7PM-9PM At THE MIDDLE BARTON SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB

An opportunity to ensure Jane's successor reflects the needs and hope of our whole community. Join us for an open meeting to have your say.

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



Sunday 5 April Easter Day

9.30am Eucharist at Steeple Barton + refreshments

11.00am Family Eucharist at Duns Tew + egg hunt

11.00am Eucharist at Sandford St Martin

Readings

Acts 10. 34-43 or Jeremiah 31. 1-6

Psalms 118. 1-2, 14-24 Colossians 3. 1-4

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 facebook.com/bartonbenefice/ achurchnearyou.com/barton-benefice