

19 April 2026
3rd Sunday of Easter
The Barton Benefice

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Thanks to Rev'd Charles Chadwick for leading services today in Nether Worton and Sandford

9.30am Eucharist Nether Worton

11.00am Eucharist Sandford St Martin

5.00pm Informal Worship Alice Marshall Hall

Readings

Acts 2. 14a, 36-41
Peter 1. 17-23

Psalm 116. 1-3, 10-end
Luke 24. 13-35

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. On 17 April at: 4 Pound Bank Sandford Saint Martin (Ed's).

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.

We now have a prayer diary for the deanery, which will be updated every fortnight and circulated with the notice sheet. We hope that this will be helpful in your daily prayers.

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

clergy.bartonbenefice@ is no longer in use

The Benefice phone number is 07752 763912

The Rectory tel Tel 340510 & Mob. 319850 no longer work.

Gospel Reading Day Saturday 16 May starting 8.30am Sandford St Martin

'In your patience possess ye your souls' (Lk 21.19)

As our churches await our new Rector, we'd love people from across the benefice to join us for a contemplative, communal Gospel Reading Day.

Start 8.30am, finish 5.30pm (ish!).

Do email Helen Bruder if you'd like to read at a specific time (hezbru1@yahoo.co.uk) or just come and read or listen whenever suits you. Hot & cold drinks provided.

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 – tins/jars/packets of food for the whole family plus pet food, in the porch of WB or SB church.



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.

ALL WELCOME

Recruiting Jane's successor

We have now started the process of recruiting Jane's successor. Although we have to follow a defined process, we want to know what you think about what kind of Rector you would like. We will therefore be having an **Open Meeting at the Middle Barton Sports and Social Club on Monday, 20 April, 7pm-9pm**. This meeting will be led by Anne Perry, our Parish Development Adviser. If you are unable to attend but would still like to give us your thoughts, please do send them to Maria (m.coonick@btinternet.com) by Sun, 19 April in time for the meeting. Your views are important to us and will help us with putting together our Benefice Profile with Person Specification.

BENEFICE PRAYER DURING A VACANCY

Heavenly Father, during this time of vacancy, guide our benefice with your Holy Spirit. Strengthen our faith, unite us in love, and grant wisdom to those seeking a new priest. Prepare our hearts to welcome our next leader and help us to continue serving your kingdom with joy and hope, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Family @ Church

Sunday 26 April
9am with service at 9.30am,
Duns Tew Church



The Good Shepherd

a service for all ages
Breakfast and crafts from 9am!

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

Diary Dates May:

- Sunday 3 May: Nones 3pm, Duns Tew
- 10-16 May: Christian Aid Week
- 14 May: Ascension Day
- Saturday 16 May: Gospel Reading Day, SSM
- 24 May: Pentecost
- Sunday 24 May: Barton Abbey Open Gardens & Plant sale.

Sunday 26 April 4th Sunday of Easter

9/9.30am **Family@Church**, Duns Tew

Breakfast and crafts from 9am!

The Good Shepherd

11.00am Eucharist, Steeple Barton

5pm Evening Prayer, Westcote Barton

Readings

Acts 2. 42-end
Peter 2. 19-end

Psalms 231
John 10. 1-10

To speak to someone or for prayer requests, please contact Susan 01869 340455 or Steph 01869347350 stephanielacey34@icloud.com
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