

10 May 2026
6th Sunday of Easter
The Barton Benefice

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

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

11.00am Eucharist, Duns Tew

Readings

Acts 17.22-31

1 Peter 3.13- end

Psalm 66.7-18

John 14.15-21

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 Weds 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 8 May 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.

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

Steeple Barton: Thurs 14 May 5.30pm at the Bowls Club (please note the change of venue).

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.



Christian Aid Week 10-16 May:

Read about this year's CA week here:

[Christian Aid Week 2026 | Christian Aid](#)

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

'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.

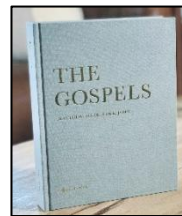
Start 8.30am, finish 5.30pm (ish!).

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.



Recruiting our new Priest

All PCC members are invited to a 'Section 11' meeting on Monday 11 May at 6.00pm at Sandford Church. This is a very short meeting to deal with necessary arrangements for recruiting a new priest, especially in relation to drawing up a benefice profile, advertising and interviews.



Study Group

The next fortnightly study group is on Tuesday 19 May. At 34 Duns Tew at 5.30pm. Please contact Helen Bruder for more details.

hezbru1@yahoo.co.uk

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.



BARTON ABBEY OPEN GARDEN

**Steeple Barton
TEAS and PLANT
SALE**

SUNDAY 24 MAY 2- 5 PM

OUR BUS will kindly be providing transport from the Sports and Social Club at 2pm and 3pm with a return at 3.15pm and 4.30pm

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.

Diary Dates May:



- 14 May Ascension Day Service 6pm Duns Tew
- Saturday 16 May: Gospel Reading Day, SSM
- 24 May Pentecost:
Family@Church 9/9.30am Duns Tew
11am Eucharist Duns Tew
- Sunday 24 May: Barton Abbey Open Gardens & Plant sale.
- Saturday 30 May: Morris Dancing in Duns Tew churchyard approx. 2.30pm.
- Sun 31 May: 5th Sunday Benefice Service 11am Steeple Barton with choir & refreshments.

Diary Dates June:

- Saturday 6 June Open Garden + teas at Southfield 2-5pm.
- Saturday 20 June, 7pm Concert with Consensio, Sandford Church.
- Sunday 28 June 1.30-4pm Duns Tew Church Fete, Manor Gardens.

Thursday 14 May Ascension Day

6.00pm Ascension Day Eucharist, Duns Tew
The Revd Preb. Jane Haslam

Readings

Acts 1.1-11	Psalm 47 or Psalm 93
Ephesians 1.15-end	Luke 24.44- end

Sunday 17 May 7th Sunday of Easter

9.30am Eucharist, Nether Worton

11.00am Eucharist, Sandford St Martin

**5.00pm Informal Evening Service,
Alice Marshall Hall**

Readings

Acts 1. 6-14	Psalm 68.1-10, 32-35
1 Peter 4.12-14; 5.6-11	John 17.1-11

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