

WELCOME

TO THE SPIRE HILL BENEFICE

'Where there is no vision, the people perish.' Proverbs 29:18

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Services this Sunday 17th May

Sunday after Ascension

- 8.50am Breakfast followed at 9.30
by Morning Worship Stalbridge and
at 10.30 by APCM
- 11am Holy Communion King's Stag
6pm Meditation Stalbridge

What's Happening This Week

Monday

Canon Richard's Day Off

Tuesday Dunstan, archbishop, 988

6.45pm Bible Study

7.30pm Bell Ringing, Stalbridge

Wed Alcuin, abbot, 804

9.30am **No Midweek Communion**

6.00pm Benefice Choir, Stalbridge

Thursday Helena, protector of Holy Places

9.30-12.30 Beehive Café Stourton

Caundle Village Hall

11am Purse Caundle APCM

6.30pm Stock Gaylard 6.30pm

Friday

8.50am Stalbridge School Assembly

Saturday

Services on Sunday 24th May

Pentecost

- 9.30am Holy Communion with anointing
and prayer ministry Stalbridge
- 11am Holy Communion Stock Gaylard
- 11am Morning Worship Stourton
Caundle followed by APCM
- 6pm Meditation Stalbridge



Born at Drepanum in Bithynia, Helena rose from humble origins to become the concubine of Emperor Constantius Chlorus. Helena bore Constantius a son in 274, named

Constantine. Helena was banished by Constantius in 292 when he ended their relationship so that he could marry Theodora, the step-daughter of Augustus Maximian as part of his political ambitions. Helena returned to Rome in honour in 306 when her son Constantine became sole ruler of the Roman Empire. She was made 'most noble woman' and honoured throughout the Empire. Helena became a Christian in 312, and fully embraced the Christian life. She became renowned as one who lived modestly and gave charitably, a protector of religious buildings and as a woman who sought out relics of the Christian faith. Her most famous 'achievement' was the recovery of the supposed cross of Christ, an event attested to by Ambrose, and recorded in fifth-century church histories. She was held in special honour by the Church as the mother of the Emperor who legalized the Christian faith.

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Stourton Caundle



Stock Gaylard



Purse Caundle