

In Touch with the Bourne Valley Churches
in the Parishes of Cholderton, Newton Tony, St Nicholas Porton & District,
Winterbourne Gunner, Winterbourne Earls with Dauntsey, Ford and Hurdcott

Our Benefice website: <https://bournevalleychurches.weebly.com>
but please see below for news about our website...

Sunday 12th July 2026 – Trinity 6 (Year A) (Green)

St Andrew's Newton Tony	9.30am BCP Holy Communion (SR)
St Michael & All Angels W Earls	11.00am Family Communion with Baptism (POE)

Readings: (Isaiah 55: 10 – 13) Romans 8: 1 – 11 Matthew 13: 1 – 9, 18 – 23
(or as chosen by the preacher)

Collect **Creator God,**
you made us all in your image:
may we discern you in all that we see,
and serve you in all that we do;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen

As we look to manage potential changes in the life of our Churches, and ministry in the Bourne Valley, from September onwards, please pray for the **PCC meetings** being held this month, that we would all be guided by the wisdom and grace of God's Holy Spirit, and discern the best way forward for everyone concerned – thank you

Please continue to pray for our local **Schools** as the Summer term draws to an end. **Leavers' Services** will soon be held to celebrate all that has been achieved, as Year 6 pupils prepare to move on to their secondary Schools. Pray for safety over the holidays, and that all would find refreshment, relaxation and restoration, ready for the new challenges in the autumn. Please consider whether YOU could help as a **Foundation Governor** (and thanks to those who have already responded) or in other ways. Your local Headteacher will be able to give you more information...

Sunday 19th July 2026 – Trinity 7 (Year A) (Green)

St Nicholas' Cholderton	No Service
St Nicholas' Porton	9.30am BCP Matins (AD)
St Mary's W Gunner	9.30am BCP Holy Communion (POE)
St Michael & All Angels W Earls	11.00am Holy Communion with Baptism (POE)

Readings: (Psalm 139: 1 – 11) Romans 8: 12 – 25 Matthew 13: 24 – 30, 36 – 43
(or as chosen by the preacher)

Collect **Generous God,**
you give us gifts and make them grow:
though our faith is small as mustard seed,
make it grow to your glory
and the flourishing of your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen

Winterbourne Glebe Hall 'Drop-In Cafe' is on from **2.00pm** to 4.30pm on **Wednesday 22nd July**.
Help with IT is available at the Cafe, if required – bring your portable devices, and just ask...!
Call 01980 611311 for more information...

Do remember the weekly **Peace Vigils** held at **5.00pm** on **Saturdays** in **Salisbury**, outside the library, at the edge of the market square... everyone is welcome to these Vigils, to stand quietly in solidarity with those who suffer, and with all who long for peace in the world.

Thank you to those who have kindly responded to the request in the Bourne Valley Magazine to assist with church administrative roles in future – hopefully, the more who can contribute, as a team together, the better everything will be managed, so please don't hesitate to contact me (Peter) if you could help.

Website news: In order to streamline, and simplify, our Churches' online presence, the '...weebly.com' web address (as at the top of this 'In Touch') will soon be phased out, and **A Church Near You** (ACNY) which is a free, national resource, will become the place to go for information about our Bourne Valley Anglican Churches.

There is a **Benefice** address: www.achurchnearyou.com/Bourne-Valley-Benefice

and each Parish has its own address within the Benefice:

www.achurchnearyou.com/St-Nicholas-Cholderton

www.achurchnearyou.com/St-Andrew-Newton-Tony

www.achurchnearyou.com/St-Andrew-Boscombe

www.achurchnearyou.com/St-Nicholas-Porton

www.achurchnearyou.com/St-Mary-Winterbourne-Gunner

www.achurchnearyou.com/St-Michael-All-Angels-Winterbourne-Earls

Please try it out, and let me know what you think... undoubtedly there will be things to learn and adapt, but hopefully this initiative will enable anyone looking for information about our Churches to find it easily – statistics do show that ACNY is a popular source for enquirers... Ideally, **each Parish page needs its own local 'Editor'** so please let Peter know if you could take this on – thank you

The **Bourne Valley Magazine** remains a great way to publicise YOUR events, or your business, in our communities, as 100's of people living locally subscribe. If you don't yet subscribe, please contact **Priscilla Park-Weir** by email: pvpw71@gmail.com and she can put you in touch with your *local distributor*. All profits, from subscriptions and advertising, support the Parish churches in the Valley – *thank you*

Club Friday (the Bourne Valley Day Centre) is looking for **volunteers** to help put fun into the lives of its guests, who are retired people who remain fairly mobile and do not require personal care. Volunteers can help with a range of activities, and join in on a rota basis, to suit availability.

Club Friday meets on **Fridays** from 10.00am – 2.30pm in the **Idmiston Parish Memorial Hall** and currently has vacancies for **guests** (as well as volunteer helpers...!). Please contact **Niki Hetreed** on **07789 318759** or via email: bournevalleyclubf@gmail.com to find out more.

Could **you** help the **Bourne Valley Link Scheme**, by volunteering as a **driver** to take people to medical and other appointments...? Just an hour or two a month would really help... please contact the Coordinator on 01980 611117 – *thank you*

Looking for a welcoming **Friendship** group...? Over 50s are invited to contact **Amicus** on 07503 006284 or by email: amicusfriendshipgroup@gmail.com to find out more...

The **Salisbury Foodbank** (part of Trussell Trust) continues to value our support throughout the year, and you are welcome to leave donations in our **churches**, but the most effective way to donate is via **supermarkets**, as you do your regular shopping, because they match the value of donations placed in their own collecting 'bins' so the Foodbank benefits even more – thank you...

Please continue to keep in your prayers all for whom this is a difficult time, in whatever way, and particularly we remember those who have recently died, and all who mourn their loss.

*Do make use of the **Bourne Valley Prayer Tree**, so called because it has branches (people who respond to the request to pray) spread throughout the Valley.*

Contact: Ali Joyce on **01980 619195** or email: aliloujoyce@gmail.com to ask for prayer, and please let her know as and when the need for prayer changes – *thank you*

Benefice Prayer: *Be with us, Lord, in all we do and say,*

Visit each home with your peace and love

*Turn all hearts and minds to you, our loving God, in Jesus' name, **Amen***

If you would like to receive this '**In Touch**' regularly by email, or wish to discuss anything relating to church or faith, please contact the Rector, Rev'd Peter Ostli-East on **01980 611350** at The Vicarage, Winterbourne Earls SP4 6HA or by email: revpeterbvt@gmail.com or bournevalleyoffice@gmail.com