

**5 July 2026**  
**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity**  
*The Barton Benefice*

**Sunday 5 July Fifth Sunday after Trinity**

**9.30am Eucharist, Westcote Barton**

*The Revd Preb. Jane Haslam*

**11am Eucharist, Over Worton**

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**5.00pm Evening Prayer, Sandford St Martin**

*Steph Lacey*

**Readings**

Genesis 24.34-38, 42-49, 58-67

Psalms 45.10-17 or Canticle: Song of Solomon 2.8-13

**Romans 7.15-25a**                      **Matthew 11.16-19, 25-end**

**Readings for Sandford 5pm**

**Psalms 145 8-15**                      **Matthew 11 16-19, 25 to the 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](mailto: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](mailto:bartonbenefice@outlook.com)

**Details of services** are on noticeboards & the website

[achurchnearyou.com/barton-benefice](http://achurchnearyou.com/barton-benefice) .

**Lunchtime prayers** on Fridays at 12.15pm. **On 3 July** in

Westcote Barton Church.

**Please Pray for ...**

For those affected by the earthquakes in Venezuela.

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 whatever is on your mind.

**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.

For all who have died recently.

All mourning the loss of someone close.

The deanery prayer diary is circulated with the notice sheet. We hope that this will be helpful in your daily prayers.

**CONTACT INFORMATION DURING THE VACANCY**

The Benefice email is: [bartonbenefice@gmail.com](mailto:bartonbenefice@gmail.com)

The Benefice phone number is **07752 763912**

**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. All welcome.

**Duns Tew Charity of the Quarter is *Facing the***

**Future.** It is a service provided under the Samaritans

umbrella ( <https://www.facingthefuture.org.uk/>) for

people specifically bereaved by suicide.

The July monthly Duns Tew Village Hall Coffee Morning

will be in aid of this charity.



*JOIN US FOR A COFFEE MORNING*  
*DUNS TEW VILLAGE HALL*  
*Middle Barton Road, DunsTew OX25 6JN*

*SATURDAY 4TH JULY 2026*

*10.30am - 12.30pm*

*Coffee, tea, soft drinks and*  
*homemade cakes!*

**Duns Tew Church temporarily closed!**

Thanks to recent fundraising events we are able to

clean and restore the flooring, making safe the areas

where tiles are lifting and potentially unsafe.

Unfortunately, while this work is being carried out

access to the inside of the church won't be possible.

Work started on Wednesday 1st July and is due for

completion 10th July. The churchyard is open as

normal. Thank you for your support and patience.

**Food Bank: Donations in the Porch**

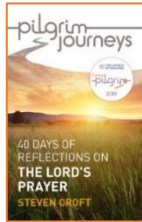
Please continue to help by leaving a donation –  
tins/jars/packets of food for the whole family plus  
pet food, in the porch of WB or SB church.

### Study Group Tuesdays 5.30pm

34, Main Street, Duns Tew.

Relaxed, open discussions about faith and living a Christian life.

For the next eight sessions we will be looking at the Lord's Prayer, basing our discussions on a booklet by Steven Croft in the Pilgrim Journeys series. (Available from group at £4.50) Do join us on:



**7 July**, 21 July - followed by supper, 4 August, 18 August, 1, 15+ 29 September. For more information contact Helen Bruder: hezbru1@yahoo.co.uk

### Choros Consort afternoon Concert

**Sat 18 July, 3.30pm in St Martin's Church, Sandford**  
*followed by teas at Sandford Park*



A little summer afternoon (woodland themed) concert with music suitable for families and children.

Donations requested to support St Martin's church.

### Sunday 19 July Open-Air Service in Ledwell with drinks afterwards.

On Sunday 19 July, we have the annual **Open-Air Service in Ledwell** with drinks afterwards.

The final hymn and prayers of the SSM 11am Eucharist will happen as part of the Ledwell Service, so the 11.00 congregation is invited to move to Ledwell for this.

Please bring something to sit on and join us for drinks afterwards. If you'd like to, please bring a picnic lunch to have on the green.

### Recruiting our new Priest

The Benefice Profile has now been finalised and sent off to the Diocese. The advertisement should be in The Church Times for 17 July with the aim of shortlisting any applicants at the beginning of August with potential interviews on 4 September.

### 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.



**Summer Drinks in the Garden of The Old Forge, Middle Barton Rd, Duns Tew**  
**Sat 15 Aug. 6-7.30pm**  
**Drinks, Canapes & Music**  
**Tickets £17.50 from**  
**dunstewpcc@gmail.com or**  
**Clare 07909 881596**

**Raising funds for church Improvements**

### Sunday 12 July Sixth Sunday after Trinity

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

**11am Eucharist, Duns Tew**

#### Readings

Genesis 25 - 19-end

Psalms 119 - 105-112

Romans 8 - 1-11

Matthew 13 - 1-9, 18-23

To speak to someone or for prayer requests, please contact Susan 01869 340455 or Steph 01869347350 [stephanielacey34@icloud.com](mailto:stephanielacey34@icloud.com)  
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