

THE BENEFICE OF ILMINSTER & WHITELACKINGTON

Pewsheets for week beginning Sunday 2nd August 2026

Calendar

Sunday 2nd August - 9th Sunday after Trinity

Romans 9.1-5, Matthew 14.13-21

8.00am BCP Holy Communion - *The Minster*

9.00am Holy Communion - *Whitelackington*

10.30am Whole Church - *The Minster*

Monday 3rd August

8.00am Meditation - *The Minster*

6.30pm Meditation via Zoom

Wednesday 5th August

8.00am Meditation - *The Minster*

10.00am FoodBank and FoodShare in Minster Rooms

10.00am Memories Café in Minster Rooms

10.30am Holy Communion Service - *The Minster*

7.00pm Meditation Group - *The Minster*

8.00pm Compline Service - *The Minster*

Thursday 6th August

9.00am Morning Prayer - *The Minster*

11.00am Cancer Support Group in Minster Rooms

Friday 7th August

8.00am Meditation - *The Minster*

10.30am Study Group in Minster Rooms

2.00pm Family Fun in Minster Rooms and churchyard

Saturday 8th August

10.00am FoodBank and FoodShare in Minster Rooms

2.00pm Community Fair Trade Sale at the Rectory

Sunday 9th August - 10th Sunday after Trinity

Romans 10:5-15, Matthew 14.22-33

8.00am BCP Holy Communion - *The Minster*

10.30am Holy Communion - *The Minster*

6.00pm Evening Prayer - *Whitelackington*

We pray for:

- All those remembering death anniversaries.
- Those who live in Winterhay Lane.
- Our Mission Partner this month: [Safe Families](#)

News:

- **SUMMER COMPLINE 8pm on Wednesdays during August**

Why not join us for a time of quiet prayer and contemplation during August? This is a short, peaceful and reflective service to end the day and a time to thank God for all we have.

Patricia

- **CRAFT and FELLOWSHIP GROUP**

The Craft and Fellowship Group will not be meeting in August. Session will recommence on Monday 14th September. Book the date now! Further details will be given at the beginning of September

Repeat Notices ...

- **FAMILY FUN DAYS**

We look forward to welcoming children and families for our Family Fun days. The sessions, which will include a range of activities, crafts, a bouncy castle and food, will take place each Friday throughout August. If you have children or grandchildren, do look out for further information and details of how to book.

- **COMMUNITY FAIR TRADE SALE AND TEA on Saturday 8th August**

Nigel and Liz welcome you to a Community Fair Trade Sale & Tea at the Vicarage (21 Higher Beacon, Ilminster TA19 9AJ) on Saturday 8th August 2pm-4.30pm. Fair Trade food products & household goods, crafts, gifts and cards will be sold as well as reductions on ethically sourced clothing brands: Namaste, Nomads and White Stuff.

For more information, please contact Liz on 01460 497798, lizabethcandelent@yahoo.com
Fair trade refreshments will be available, Card payments accepted.

- **STUDY COURSE IN AUGUST**

The Revd Graham Stephenson will lead his fourth annual study course completing a look at the major parts of the New Testament. This year's course will be on THE FORGOTTEN AND HIDDEN BOOKS OF EARLY CHRISTIANITY. It takes place on Friday Mornings throughout August, in the Minster Rooms between 10.30 am and 12noon. Come and discover why we have 27 books in the New Testament, and only four gospels, when we now know, because of recent archaeological discoveries, of at least five times that number, (including whole or part books of more than forty gospels). Read some of this forgotten and hidden material for yourself, and consider whether or not limiting the New Testament has been good or bad for the church? Because of the need to provide course materials please let Graham know if you would like to attend on 01460-52470, or by email to anagramilminster3@gmail.com.

- **INATURALIST - plotting the biodiversity of our churchyard**

We have recently gone live as a project on inaturalist, an online biodiversity mapping platform. You can help us by downloading inaturalist and log the flora and fauna you spot in the churchyard. This is one way in which we can better understand, appreciate and care for God's creation and that which has been entrusted to us as a church community. Discover what has already been spotted and add your observations here <https://www.inaturalist.org/projects/st-mary-s-church-ilminster>

This is part of our EcoChurch commitment. For more information, please speak to Chris Bestley, Natalie Wainwright or Sarah Wright in the first instance.

Our weekly pewsheets and monthly service posters are also uploaded onto our Church Near You Page: <https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/11268/>

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