



Fortnightly Church News for 27 Sep & 4 Oct 2026

Wychwood Benefice

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Our Vision: To build God's Kingdom here on earth as in heaven

SUNDAY 27 SEPTEMBER – TRINITY 17

9.30am United Benefice Holy Communion **Milton**

Celebrating Sarah's 25th Anniversary of priesthood

PRAYERS & READINGS - TRINITY 17 YEAR A

Collect Gracious God, you call us to fullness of life: deliver us from unbelief and banish our anxieties with the liberating love of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Post Communion Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Readings (Related): Ezekiel 18.1-4, 25-end, Philippians 2.1-13 Matthew 21.23-32



Celebrating Sarah's 25th Anniversary of Priesthood 26 & 27 September

Sarah will be undertaking a reading of the Gospel across the benefice on Saturday 26 September. Starting in Idbury church at 8.30am with Matthew (the following times are approximate start times): 10.30/11am in Fifield (Mark); 1-1.30pm in Milton (Luke); and 3-3.30pm in Shipton (John). Everyone welcome to come to part of all of the day. It will finish in time to come together at the Benefice Harvest Supper at 6.30pm in Milton Village Hall. See Harvest notice for booking details.

SUNDAY 4 OCTOBER – TRINITY 18

8.15am BCP Holy Communion **Shipton**

9.30am Worship for All **Milton**

11.00am Harvest Festival **Fifield**

6.00pm Harvest Festival with Hymns & Readings **Shipton**

Cake & Produce Fundraising Stall Saturday 26 September 10.30-12noon in Fifield Church

Selling cakes, scones, biscuits, jams, jellies, chutneys, surplus vegetables. All gifts gratefully received – please bring them to the Church on Saturday 26th from 10a.m. **A New Innovation: Coffee and Biscuits will be available. More information from Catherine Hitchens.**

PRAYERS & READINGS - TRINITY 18 YEAR A

Collect God, our judge and saviour, teach us to be open to your truth and to trust in your love, that we may live each day with confidence in the salvation which is given through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Post Communion We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast: for here we receive you, here the memory of your passion is renewed, here our minds are filled with grace, and here a pledge of future glory is given, when we shall feast at that table where you reign with all your saints for ever. **Amen**

Readings (Related): Isaiah 5.1-7, Philippians 3.4b-14 Matthew 21.33-end

Mid-Week Communion Weds 10am Milton

Supper bookings by Thursday 24 Sep



RAFFLE! ALL WELCOME

Wychwood Benefice Harvest Supper

**SATURDAY 26 SEPTEMBER 6.30PM
MILTON VILLAGE HALL**



PLOUGHMANS BUFFET & AUTUMN DESSERTS

**GIVE WHAT YOU CAN
BUT BOOKING
REQUIRED**

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Harvest Festivals

Fifield: Sun 4 Oct 11am Harvest Festival.

Shipton: Sun 4 Oct 6pm Harvest Festival.

Wychwood Primary School

Harvest Fri 2 Oct 9.30am Shipton church.

Fifield Harvest Supper Saturday 3 October Parish Hall 7 for 7.30pm.

Harvest donations – produce, store cupboard items etc will go to the Life Larder:

<https://wychwoodlife.org/whats-on/Cost-Of-Living-Support>

Meetings

Milton PCC: Thurs 24 Sep 10.45am Milton Church Room.

Shipton PCC: Thurs 24 Sep 6.30 in church.

Fifield with Idbury PCC: Thurs 8 Oct 2.30pm, The Old Farmhouse, Fifield.

Planning Meeting: Monday 19 October 10am in Milton Church Room.

To look at services and events for next year up to the end of April.

Candle stubs. Everyone with candle stubs, any size, any colour, please donate them to Mary Champness 07584 252208, to be used to make new candles out of old stubs for good causes.

Final
"encore"
concert in
our
"Give
What you
Can"
season of
concerts
2026



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No tickets. All welcome.

"Give what you can"

The Sterna String Quartet

7pm Friday 2 October, 2026

St Simon & St Jude Church

Milton under Wychwood OX7 6LJ



Fauré String Quartet

Beethoven Op.59

No.3 In C Major

"Razumovsky"

with refreshments



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This energetic, young ensemble dedicated to giving vibrant performances brimming with passionate musical connection was formed in Manchester in 2025 at the RNCM (Royal Northern College of Music). As well as working towards recitals and several competitions, they have performed in masterclasses and received coaching from numerous esteemed professional ensembles such as the NOVO, Elias and Brodsky Quartets.

THIS CONCERT IS PART OF A PROJECT IN WHICH THE STERNA QUARTET WILL ALSO BE GIVING A WORKSHOP FOR PUPILS AT A LOCAL PRIMARY SCHOOL. GINA & MICHAEL BOCHMANN WOULD LIKE TO THANK THEIR SPONSORS, THE ASPINWALL EDUCATIONAL TRUST, AND ARCHITECTURAL HERITAGE.

Raising funds for St Mary the Virgin, Shipton under Wychwood
& St Simon & St Jude, Milton under Wychwood
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Care Homes:

Fri 2 October 10.30am Holy Communion The Paddocks

Mon 5 October 2.15pm Holy Communion Tall Trees.

Mon 12 October 2.30pm Holy Communion Old Prebendal.

Confirmation 22 November If anyone would like to be prepared for Confirmation on 22 November in Charlbury please let Sarah know ASAP.

Shipton Prize Draw: For September the winning numbers are 4 & 50.

Ride & Stride Thanks to all that took part and also the welcomers.

Liz collected £483 for Milton.

David Ensor's next walk: The Via Francigena Pilgrim Route

This year, my long-distance walk is taking me from Lucca to Rome along the via Francigena Pilgrim route through Tuscany and Lazio to Rome and the Vatican City. It is 410 km (250 miles) through Tuscany with its mediaeval towns and Lazio with its rolling ridges and valleys.

My endeavour is to raise a few bob for the church heating installation in St Mary's, but I totally understand that this year everyone has contributed to the concerts and may not feel able to continue making donations.

However, if you can make a donation, please make it through my fundraising page below by either entering the link in your browser or using the QR Code.

<https://microurl.app/kr7Qzm>



If you're interested in my progress, I shall be writing a daily blog of my trip which can

be found at: davidscamino26.wordpress.com/
[davidscamino26.wordpress.com.](https://davidscamino26.wordpress.com/)

All you need to do is type the link into your browser and hopefully you should see my daily blog. It will start on the 3 October.

SUNDAY 11 OCTOBER – TRINITY 19

11.00am United Benefice Holy Communion **Shipton**

Readings (Related): Isaiah 25.1-9 Philippians 4.1-9 Matthew 22.1-14

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