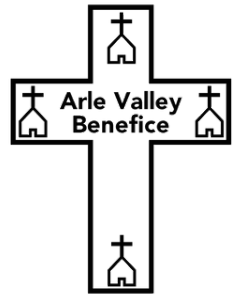


# The Arle Valley Benefice

St. John's Church, New Alresford + St. Peter's Church, Ovington  
St. Mary's Church, Old Alresford + All Saints Church, Bighton



**8 June 2025 - Pentecost**

***Welcome to our worship today. Good to have you with us.***

Please make yourself known to the Clergy or one of the Churchwardens after the service.

## Services this Sunday:

### This morning's Bible Readings:

Acts 2.1 - 21 p. 115

John 14.8 - 17 p. 105 - 106

*Bibles are available in our churches.*

### St. John's

9.30am Breakfast Church

6pm Sundays @ Six

### St. Mary's

9.30am Morning Praise

### St. Peter's

11am Parish Communion

### All Saints

11am Morning Prayer

## Live Streaming at St. John's

The link for the live-streaming of services is:

[www.youtube.com/@thearlevalleybenefice5720/streams](https://www.youtube.com/@thearlevalleybenefice5720/streams)

It will come up under a Live heading with a green oblong with a small round picture of St John's underneath.

Click on the oblong and it will open the live stream.

## Collect for Today

God, who as at this time  
taught the hearts of your faithful people  
by sending to them the light of your  
Holy Spirit:

grant us by the same Spirit  
to have a right judgement in all things  
and evermore to rejoice in his  
holy comfort;

through the merits of Christ Jesus  
our Saviour,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Amen**

## Post Communion Prayer

Faithful God,  
who fulfilled the promises of Easter  
by sending us your Holy Spirit  
and opening to every race and nation  
the way of life eternal:

open our lips by your Spirit,  
that every tongue may tell of your glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

**Children are welcome at all services here.**


**A hearing aid 'loop' system** operates at St John's, St Peter's & St Mary's.

**If moving is difficult** and you wish to have communion brought to you, please ask the Churchwarden on duty.


**If you require a gluten-free wafer**, please inform us before the service begins.

**Know of anyone who'd appreciate reading this notice sheet?** Please feel free to forward it to them.

## THIS WEEK (9<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> June)

<b>Mon 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9am 3.30pm</b>	All Saints John Pearson Hall	<b>Morning Prayer Monday Meet &amp; Eat</b>
<b>Tues 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9am 10am</b>	St. John's John Pearson Hall	<b>Morning Prayer Coffee, Cake &amp; Chat</b> 
<b>Wed 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9am 10am 10.45am 5pm</b>	St. Mary's St. John's John Pearson Hall Vestry - St. John's	<b>Morning Prayer Midweek Holy Communion Wednesdays with Heather Chill, Chat &amp; Chomp (Youth Group)</b>
<b>Thurs 12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9am 10am</b>	St. Peter's John Pearson Hall	<b>Morning Prayer Chatterbox Baby &amp; Toddler Group</b>
<b>Fri 13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10am</b>	St. John's	<b>Parish Outreach Prayer Meeting</b>

## NEXT SUNDAY (15<sup>th</sup> June) - Trinity Sunday

<b>9.30am 10am 11am 11am 2.30pm</b>	St. John's St. Peter's All Saints St. Mary's John Pearson Hall	<b>Parish Communion Morning Praise Morning Prayer Parish Communion Solos Sunday Tea</b> 
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### PRAYERS FOR:

Barbara G, Carol R, Bec G, Audrey C, Les W, Rosemary F, Sylvia P, Hazel G, Pearl C, Val L, John L, Alan B, Tony H, Ian V, Jilly C, Sarah G, Dennis, David O, David H, Robina S, Meg R, Roger and Jocelyn F, Monica D, Moira J, Robin G, Audrey S, Zena C, Joy F and those who attend worship at Wayfarer's Place, Bailey House and Makins Court.

### THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY DIED:

Winifred Hack, Joyce Kent, Anne Hanson, Michele Widdicombe

**Our Prayers for the Week** are in the **St. John's Prayer Space** and on the **Arle Valley Benefice website:**

'Our Faith / Prayer'

'What's On / Weekly Notices and Prayers'

### Prayer Requests

If you would like the Prayer team to pray for you, your family, friends or any other situation, please contact Rosie Waring Green: e. [rosie@22rwg.co.uk](mailto:rosie@22rwg.co.uk) or t. 01962 733237.

***We, of course, always respect the confidentiality of your requests.***

# Notices

## ST JOHN'S FLOWERS

The chancel flowers in St John's have been sponsored by:

**David and Barbara Griffiths: *Remembering our daughter Catherine***



## FUNERAL SERVICE

### Joyce Kent Funeral Service

St. John's Church on Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> June at 2.30pm.

## BANNS READINGS - ST. MARY'S

During June we have the pleasure of reading the Wedding Banns for:

**Matthew Lane and Sophie Swift**

## THANK YOU

I would like to thank you all who sent me cards and phone calls on the death of Hedley, they helped me alot at this sad time.

Thank you again. Irene



## MOVING INTO INTERREGNUM

**Heather has invited everyone to come on Friday 27th June to half an hour of prayer in St John's Church at 10am followed by discussion in the JPH** where we can begin to plan how we use this time of interregnum as a positive experience when we all pull together and help each other out. There will be time to chat and think of ways in which we can support everyone without an overload on any particular groups of people. We will finish no later than 1pm.

## CONFIRMATIONS

Heather has been approached about Confirmation by 2 or 3 people. Please would you let Heather know if that is something you would also be interested in exploring.

## **\*\*NEW\*\* THE PRAYER COURSE - SECOND + FOURTH WEDNESDAYS AT 7.30PM**

You are invited to join this course based on the Pete Greig book 'How to Pray', at the Housegroup which runs at 2 Grange Road run by Ian and Rosie Waring Green. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month.

**Contact Rosie t. 07891 120662 or email [rosie@22rwg.co.uk](mailto:rosie@22rwg.co.uk) to join/further details.**

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

**We would be very grateful for a couple more volunteers to help with Sacristan duties on a Sunday morning** to help swell the team and make the rota less onerous. The job (every other month) involves setting up the altar for communion either on a Saturday evening or Sunday morning and then clearing away after the service. Please see Rosie or James if you are able to help and we will organise some training for you.

## KEY AUDIT @ ST JOHN'S

We would like to do an audit of all church and hall keys for St John's. Please would you let Rosie know which keys you have [rosie@22rwg.co.uk](mailto:rosie@22rwg.co.uk) or t. 07891 120662

# Notices

## ***Family Service this Sunday...***

### **BREAKFAST CHURCH AT ST. JOHN'S (9.30AM ON SUNDAY, 8<sup>TH</sup> JUNE)**

Family Friendly Worship + Fun! Come along for sausage baps, toast and brioche along with an array of hot and cold drinks. Gluten free, dairy free and vegetarian options available. ***Our All Age Service is on Second Sundays @ 9.30am.***

## ***Evening Service this Sunday...***

### **SUNDAYS @ SIX AT ST. JOHN'S (SECOND SUNDAYS)**

***An evening of reflection on the readings for today and time to worship.***

We would love you to join everyone for a service with a reflective informal contemporary feel. **Worship, Readings, Prayer and a Talk.**

***Time to chat with tea and cake from 5.45pm.***

## **PLANT POTS @ ST. JOHN'S**

The plant pots are now outside the West and North doors at St John's are ready for you to plant your sunflowers. If anyone would like some more seeds or if anyone has any spare troughs or large plant pots we could borrow for the summer, please let Rosie know [rosie@22rwg.co.uk](mailto:rosie@22rwg.co.uk) or t. 07891 120662

## **BELLS @ ST. JOHN'S**

**Saturday, June 14th St. John's bells will be ringing from 10.15am to 12.30pm.**

**Do come and listen to some really good competition ringing.**

Coffee and cake will be served in the JPH to competing teams who will each ring for about 20 minutes. **Please do join us all very welcome. Profit from donations to the refreshments will go towards the recasting of the number 4 bell for Ropley.**

## **OLD ALRESFORD MOTHERS' UNION**

**Our next meeting is on Tuesday 17 June 2025, 2 for 2.30pm in the John Pearson Hall.**

Our speaker is Sue Murphy who will be talking about the new cluster system for Mothers' Union. ***New members always welcome.*** Contact Heather Galley on 01962 732326.



Our Facebook page  
Our Instagram page

<https://www.facebook.com/StJohnsAlresford>  
[the\\_alresford\\_area\\_churches](https://www.instagram.com/the_alresford_area_churches)

### **Material for notices:**

please email Penny Forbes at  
[notices@arlevalleychurches.org.uk](mailto:notices@arlevalleychurches.org.uk)

**Deadline: 12pm Wednesday**

### **Information about those in hospital to:**

Jackie Connell 732056 or Patricia Todd  
738408 or Keith Sweetland 735255.

**Urgent information for Intercessions  
to the churchwardens.**

### **Rector: Rev'd Heather Brearey**

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# Prayers for the coming week (8th - 14<sup>th</sup> June)



## ***Please pray for***

**Pannai Family Farm, Tamil Nadu, India:** the children, housemothers, grandmothers and all the staff who care for them. With much appreciated financial support from St John's they are able to provide a safe, healthy, child-friendly, and elder-friendly environment for the residents.

**Our fragile and fractured world,** especially the places where war and insurrection is rife, remembering Sudan, Ukraine and Russia and the Holy Land. Hold before God the people of Gaza, praying that food, water and medicine will be allowed in and the present violence at distribution centres ends. Pray for those who are trying to secure peace in these countries that they may be filled with wisdom, compassion and diplomacy skills.

**Farmers and all who are anxious about the effect the recent lack of rain will have on their crops.** Pray that the water companies endeavour to improve the quality of our river water and that we will all learn to use water wisely.

**All who are sick in body, mind or spirit.** Pray for all who are struggling with depression or other mental health issues and strength for those caring for them. Give thanks for all who work for the NHS and all who are in positions of authority in it.

**The local Basics Bank** and all who are forced to use it owing to financial pressures.

**Young people taking important exams over the next few weeks,** remembering particularly those who feel under intolerable pressure to do well, and those who fear being labelled as failures. Hold before God those who are trying to find work but having little success due to reduced opportunities.

**The Holy Spirit this Pentecost Sunday** to inspire us in our faith and bring us to new life. Pray for those choosing the next Archbishop of Canterbury. Pray for Heather and all who support her in her ministry.

***O thou who camest from above, the fire celestial to impart;  
Kindle a flame of sacred love on the mean altar of my heart. Amen***