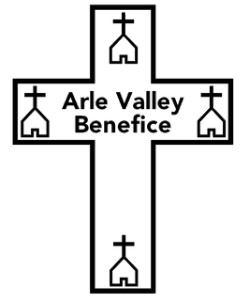


The Arle Valley Benefice

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



3 August 2025 - Seventh Sunday after Trinity

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:

Colossians 3.1-11 p. 198-199

Luke 12:13-21 p. 71

St. John's

9.30am Parish Communion

*Archdeacon of Winchester, the Venerable
Richard Brand to preach.*

No Families at 4pm

St. Mary's

11am Village Family Praise

St. Peter's

No Service

All Saints

No Service

Live Streaming at St. John's

The link for the live-streaming of services is:

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

Lord of all power and might,
the author and giver of all good things:
graft in our hearts the love of your name,
increase in us true religion,
nourish us with all goodness,
and of your great mercy keep us
in the same;

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

Amen

Post Communion Prayer

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine
and the source of life,
ever giving himself that the world
may live:
may we so receive within ourselves
the power of his death and passion
that, in his saving cup, we may share
his glory and be made perfect in his love;
for he is alive and reigns, now and
for ever.

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 (4th - 10th August)

Mon 4th	9am 10am	All Saints Christy Hall, Old Alresford	Morning Prayer Old Alresford Mondays at 10.00
Tues 5th	9am	St. John's	Morning Prayer
Wed 6th	9am 10am 10.45am	St. Mary's St. John's John Pearson Hall	Morning Prayer Midweek Holy Communion Wednesdays with Heather
Thurs 7th	9am	St. Peter's	Morning Prayer
Fri 8th	11am	St. John's	Funeral - Pearl Court
Sat 9th	10am - 3pm	St. John's	Gift Weekend at St. John's
Sun 10th	11am - 4pm	St. John's	Gift Weekend at St. John's

NEXT SUNDAY (10th August) - Eighth Sunday after Trinity

9.30am	St. John's	Breakfast Church
9.30am	St. Mary's	Morning Praise
11am	St. Peter's	Parish Communion
11am	All Saints	Morning Prayer
6pm	St. John's	Sundays at Six

PRAYERS FOR:

Barbara G, 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, Joy F, Pearl C
and those who attend worship at Wayfarer's
Place, Bailey House and Makins Court.

THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY DIED:

Stephen Pinch, Geoff Simonds, Carol Reid,
Michael Atterton and Joyce Kent

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

'Our Faith / Prayer / This Week's Prayers'
'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 or t. 01962 733237.

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

ZOOM MORNING PRAYER - THURSDAYS

We are taking a break for the Summer and will be back in September. Please keep an eye out in upcoming notices for further time/date details.

Notices

ST JOHN'S FLOWERS

The chancel flowers in St John's have been sponsored by:
Caroline Wheeler: *Remembering my Parents*



FUNERAL SERVICES

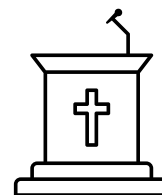
Pearl Court - St. John's on Friday, 8th August at 11am

Stephen Pinch - St. John's on Thursday, 21st August at 2.30pm

Sunday Services - 3rd August

PARISH COMMUNION @ ST. JOHN'S

We are excited to be welcoming **Archdeacon of Winchester, the Venerable Richard Brand** to preach at our **9.30am service** this Sunday. ***Refreshments afterwards in the John Pearson Hall.***



VILLAGE FAMILY PRAISE @ ST. MARY'S

11am - 1st Sunday every month.

A service of ***Morning Praise at St. Mary's for the whole family.***
Please stay for refreshments after the service. All welcome.

WE ARE OPEN DURING THE SCHOOL SUMMER HOLIDAYS!

OLD ALRESFORD MONDAYS AT 10.00 - MONDAY, 4TH AUGUST

10am - 12pm, 1st Monday of each month in Christy Hall

Toys for toddlers and a chance to meet and chat with other families.

Refreshments too! Everyone welcome. Organised by St. Mary's Church.

Contacts: Sue Armstrong 01962 734542 & Erica Sisk 01962 732735.



GIFT WEEKEND FOR A CHILDREN AND FAMILIES WORKER

St John's are holding a **Gift Weekend** on **Saturday 9th** and

Sunday 10th August where we would like to invite you to come and support this very exciting project which will be ***beneficial to all the churches in the Arle Valley Benefice.***



If you are able to pop into St John's on ***either the Saturday between 10am and 3pm or the Sunday between 11am and 4pm,*** we will have some information about the need for this position to support children and families. St John's will be leading this project which will ultimately benefit all of the children and families within the Arle Valley Benefice. We will also have some leaflets about how you might like to contribute financially.

If you are unable to come into St John's at those times, please contact the Benefice Office - arlevalleychurches@gmail.com so that we can send you some information about the project.

Notices

Upcoming Event - Don't miss the fun!

HYMNS AND PIMMS AT ST. MARY'S CHURCH, ITCHEN STOKE
Sunday, 31st August at 4pm

Come and enjoy and sing along to a few cracking hymns,
followed by several glasses of Pimms and other delightful treats.

No singing experience necessary! *Everyone welcome.*

Non-alcoholic alternatives available.



COFFEE, CAKE & CHAT @ ST JOHN'S

Tuesday, 12th August (10 - 11.30am) in the John Pearson Hall

Come and join us on the second Tuesday of each month for tea, coffee and delicious homemade cakes! This is for everyone across the local community.

We'd love to see you. Feel free to invite friends, family and neighbours as well...the more the merrier!

SOLOS

Looking forward to seeing you on Sunday 17th August from 2.30pm in the John Pearson Hall for sandwiches, tea and homemade cakes, conversation and friendship.
For more information: t. 01962 733545.



SUMMER BREAK FOR THE FOLLOWING GROUPS:

Monday Meet and Eat, Chill, Chat and Chomp along with Chatterbox will be taking a break during the school holidays. ***The groups will be back in September and we hope you can join us!***

Our Benefice Churches...

Visiting the other churches within our benefice is encouraged!

It's a great way to experience different styles of worship, connect with more people in the community, and potentially discover new things about your faith.

You'll be warmly welcomed, and each church has unique aspects to offer.



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

Deadline: 12pm Wednesday

Information about those in hospital to:

Jackie Connell 732056 or
Patricia Todd 738408

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

Rector: Rev'd Heather Brearey

e: arlevalleyrector@gmail.com

t: 01962 732105

Benefice Office

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Prayers for the coming week (3rd - 9th August)



God of the poor, friend of the weak, give us compassion we pray

Please pray for

God's world...Bring before God all places in his world where there is war, injustice and disaster. Pray especially for all of those suffering starvation in Gaza; the children and parents hopelessly watching their children die. The people of Ukraine still enduring bombardments from Russia. All those suffering from the earthquake effect along Russia's East coast, and from disasters caused by Climate Change. Ask God to soften the hearts of all world leaders so that there may be peace in the world.

The school holidays...May all young people and teaching staff enjoy the summer break. Ask God's blessing on families who cannot afford to go on holiday and feel guilty about it. Pray for all those changing schools in September and all those who will be leaving university to take up jobs.

Our town...Bring before God our beautiful town. Pray that all who visit us this summer will find a warm welcome; that the shops will do well and all who visit St John's may find God's peace within our walls. Ask that we all help to keep our town beautiful and do all we can to ensure the upkeep of the River Arle.

Our Benefice...As we approach a time of uncertainty, pray that we all may work together for the good of the Benefice. Pray for the Church Wardens and all the extra work being put on their shoulders; for all visiting clergy who will help us and for each other. Bring before God Heather and her family as they begin a new chapter in their lives.

***Melt our cold hearts, let tears fall like rain,
come change our love from a spark to a flame***