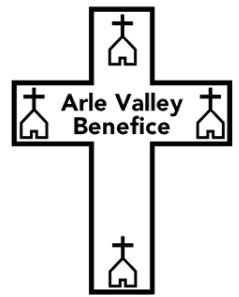


# The Arle Valley Benefice

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



## 2nd November 2025 - All Saints' Day

**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:

**Isaiah 1.10 - 18** p. 640

**2 Thessalonians 1** p. 203

**Luke 19.1-10** p. 79

#### St. John's

9.30am Parish Communion

**2pm Service of Comfort and Hope**

4pm Families @ 4pm

#### St. Mary's

11am Village Family Praise

#### St. Peter's

**11am Café Church**



**NEW BENEFICE  
OFFICE HOURS!!**

The church office will  
now be open  
Monday to Friday  
from **9am - 11am.**

### Collect for Today

Almighty and eternal God,  
you have kindled the flame of love in the  
hearts of the saints:  
grant to us the same faith and power of love,  
that, as we rejoice in their triumphs,  
we may be sustained by their example  
and fellowship;  
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 of heaven,  
in this eucharist you have brought us near  
to an innumerable company of angels  
and to the spirits of the saints made perfect:  
as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage  
we have shared their fellowship,  
so may we come to share their joy in heaven;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen**

### 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.



**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.

The Arle Valley Benefice takes its duty  
and obligation to protect everyone, extremely  
seriously. If you have any safeguarding concerns  
or issues of a safeguarding nature  
our Safeguarding Officers are:  
**Sarah Wilding (St. John's) or  
Alison Mayne (St. Mary's/All Saints/St. Peter's)**  
e-mail: [arlevalleysafeguarding@gmail.com](mailto:arlevalleysafeguarding@gmail.com)

## THIS WEEK (3<sup>rd</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> November)

|                             |                                      |                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                      |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Mon 3<sup>rd</sup></b>   | 9am<br>10am<br>3.30pm                | All Saints<br>Christy Hall<br>John Pearson Hall                       | Morning Prayer<br><i>Old Alresford Mondays at 10.00 (Coffee Morning)</i><br>Monday Meet & Eat (Families)                                             |
| <b>Tues 4<sup>th</sup></b>  | 9am<br>7pm                           | St. John's<br>Alresford Community Centre                              | Morning Prayer<br><i>Alresford Community Cinema - 'Mr. Burton'</i>                                                                                   |
| <b>Wed 5<sup>th</sup></b>   | 9am<br>10am<br>2pm<br>5pm            | St. Mary's<br>St. John's<br>Alresford Library<br>Vestry in St. John's | Morning Prayer<br>Midweek Holy Communion<br><i>Befriend the End</i><br>Chill, Chat and Chomp (Youth Group)                                           |
| <b>Thurs 6<sup>th</sup></b> | <b>Paused</b><br>10am<br>11am<br>4pm | <b>St. Peter's</b><br>John Pearson Hall<br>St. Mary's<br>St. John's   | <b>Morning Prayer (PAUSED UNTIL MARCH)</b><br>Chatterbox Baby and Toddler Group<br>Funeral - Peter McDermott<br><i>Soul Children (Youth Singing)</i> |
| <b>Fri 7<sup>th</sup></b>   | 9am<br>10am                          | Zoom - Online<br>Vestry - St. John's                                  | Zoom Morning Prayer*<br>Parish Prayer Meeting (Meeting in Vestry)                                                                                    |
| <b>Sat 8<sup>th</sup></b>   | 7.30pm                               | St. John's                                                            | <i>ACC Remembrance Concert</i>                                                                                                                       |

## SUNDAY (9<sup>th</sup> November) - Remembrance Sunday

|         |                           |                            |
|---------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| 8am     | St. John's                | Holy Communion             |
| 9.30am  | St. John's                | Breakfast Church           |
| 10am    | St. Peter's               | <i>Remembrance Service</i> |
| 10.45am | St. Mary's                | <i>Remembrance Service</i> |
| 10.50am | St. John's - War Memorial | <i>Remembrance Service</i> |
| 10.50am | All Saints                | <i>Remembrance Service</i> |
| 6pm     | St. John's                | <i>Sundays @ Six</i>       |

### \*ZOOM MORNING PRAYER FRIDAYS

Friday mornings at 9am  
there is a Lay-led Morning Prayer  
via zoom, with a short address  
and discussion.

**For details and Zoom invite  
contact Miranda Pinch via  
[miranda.pinch@gmail.com](mailto:miranda.pinch@gmail.com).**

### PRAYERS FOR:

Janet P, Audrey S, Marion M, Shirley W, Margaret Se,  
Barbara G, Audrey C, Les W, Rosemary F, Sylvia P,  
Hazel G, Val L, John L, Tony H, Ian V, Jilly C, Sarah G,  
Dennis, David O, Robina S, Meg R, Roger and Jocelyn  
F, Monica D, Moira J, Audrey S, Joy F and those who  
attend worship at Wayfarer's Place, Bailey House and  
Makins Court

### THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY DIED:

John Rabjohns, Michael Baron,  
Peter McDermott and Margaret Kerlogue



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](mailto:rosie@22rwg.co.uk) or t. 01962 733237.

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

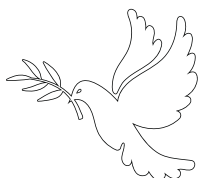
## FUNERALS

### Peter McDermott

St. Mary's on Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> Nov at 11am

### Peter Hillary

St. John's Churchyard on Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> Nov at 1pm



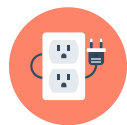
## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH CLOCK

The church clock is being  
repaired and will not show the  
correct time for at least 3 months,  
so please don't worry if you see it is incorrect.

# Notices

## ST JOHN'S FLOWERS

The chancel flowers in St John's have been sponsored by:  
**Liz Petheram - For Peter with all my love.**



### PAT TESTING AT ST. JOHN'S

Please bring in all electrical equipment used in church to the parish office **BEFORE 7th Nov.**

## WOW! WHAT A JAM PACKED EVENT-FILLED WEEKEND! HAVE A LOOK...



### MICHAEL PROJECT COFFEE MORNING - SATURDAY, 1<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER @ 10AM

We are having a coffee morning for the Michael Project on Saturday, 1st November from 10am until 12 noon in the John Pearson Hall. Do come for coffee/tea and cake. There will be a raffle and a sale table. Do hope to see you then. Margaret 01962 735185.

### AUTUMN LIGHT PARTY - SATURDAY, 1<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER, 4 - 6PM IN THE JPH

We will be holding our annual Light Party at St. John's again this year to celebrate all that is light and bright! All primary school aged children and younger siblings are welcome, accompanied by an adult, but places need to be booked.

**Contact Rosie Waring Green: [rosie@22rwg.co.uk](mailto:rosie@22rwg.co.uk) or t. 07891 120662.**

**We would love some help on the day with different activities, if you are free to help please contact Rosie as above. Thank you.**



### CAFÉ CHURCH @ ST. PETER'S - 2<sup>ND</sup> NOVEMBER AT 11AM



**11am - 1st Sunday every other month.** Join us for good conversation about faith and life in a friendly, informal setting at St. Peter's, Ovington.

**Coffee, tea + homemade treats! + The Book Nook for quality 2<sup>nd</sup> hand books!**

### SERVICE OF COMFORT AND HOPE @ ST. JOHN'S - 2<sup>ND</sup> NOVEMBER AT 2PM

**This annual peaceful and reflective service is for everyone to remember loved ones who have died.**



The congregation will be invited to add a flower to the bouquet of memories - a single flower for each person remembered. Some flowers will be available in the church, but most people prefer to bring one of their own. There will also be an opportunity to light a candle.

Memorial cards, on which to write the names of those who have died, are available at the back of the Church. If you are unable to come to the service, they can be placed in the box in the porch. During the service the cards will be collected and offered to God with a prayer for those who have died. **Refreshments afterwards in the hall.**

## Sunday Services - 9th November - Remembrance Sunday

### HOLY COMMUNION (BCP) @ ST. JOHN'S

**8am** A special 8am communion service on Remembrance Sunday.



### BREAKFAST CHURCH @ ST. JOHN'S

**9.30am** Family Friendly Worship this Remembrance Sunday with **light refreshments afterwards** in the hall.

### REMEMBRANCE SERVICES

**10am** St. Peter's

**10.45am** St. Mary's

**10.50am** St. John's (Meeting outside at the War Memorial)

**10.50am** All Saints, Bighton

### SUNDAYS @ SIX AT ST. JOHN'S

**6pm** 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.**

# Notices



## HELLO AND WELCOME TO REV JO CRISCENTI!!

The Arle Valley Benefice is looking forward to welcoming Rev Jo Criscenti to our churches from Sunday, 9th November. If you would like Jo to visit your group, please let Rosie know. email: [rosie@22rwg.co.uk](mailto:rosie@22rwg.co.uk) or t. 07891 120662.



## ALRESFORD COMMUNITY CHOIR - REMEMBRANCE CONCERT

Please join the Alresford Community Choir at St. John's on **Saturday, 8th November at 7.30pm.** Tickets are £10 and available online at [www.ticketsource.co.uk/alresford-community-choir](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/alresford-community-choir) or call 01962 776476. Retiring Collection. Paying bar available before the concert & during the interval.



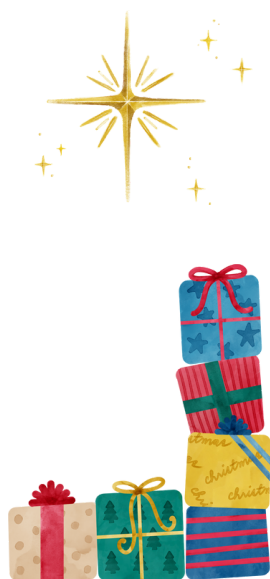
## SAVE THE DATE! A Gift from St. John's

This year we plan to welcome everyone on **Saturday, 29th Nov.** 10am – 4pm in the church.

The church will be beautifully lit with:

- A holiday café for refreshments
- Christmas themed activities for all ages
- Nativity story clue treasure hunt
- Prayer wall

Offers of help are greatly appreciated. A signup sheet will be at the back of church at St. John's.



## Thank you!

Huge thanks to our merry band of volunteers for all of your help with last Saturday's Churchyard Clear Up at St. John's.

Lovely to see so many people (ages 4 - 80+) offering their support to make our churchyard sparkle!



The 10am Friday Parish Prayer Meeting on **7th Nov** will be held in the **Vestry at St. John's.**

## EXTRA JAM JARS? WE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE THEM!



Rosie is collecting Jam Jars (label free, if possible) for this year's Light Party and Gift From St. John's.



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 01962 732056 or  
Patricia Todd 01962 738408

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

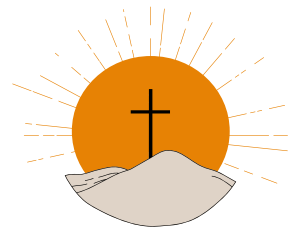
### Rector: Position Vacant

### Benefice Office

Open Monday - Friday 9 - 11am  
t. 01962 733545

e. [arlevalleychurches@gmail.com](mailto:arlevalleychurches@gmail.com)  
[www.arlevalleychurches.org.uk](http://www.arlevalleychurches.org.uk)

# Prayers for the coming week (2<sup>nd</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> November)



**O love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee**

***Please pray for.....***

**We pray for all affected in Jamaica by hurricane Melissa** which has caused unprecedented devastation to properties and to the infrastructure with strong winds and flooding. Pray that aid arrives soon to enable people to rebuild their lives.

**God's broken world.....**Bring before God the political issues, the moral dilemmas and dreams of peace, which concern our world at this present time. Ask that where we can see no way forward you will show us your vision and help us to do what is right.

***Guide us into the way of peace***

**Climate change.....**Pray that God will be with all those suffering from climate change through floods and lack of crops etc. Ask that we may love the world in the same way God loves us. That we may do all we can about conservation and not be wasteful with all God supplies.

***Guide us into the way of peace***

**Our Benefice.....**Give thanks for all those who are helping us during this time of interregnum, especially the visiting clergy who come to share Communion with us. Pray that we may all work together so that we appreciate one another more and value what each has to offer.

***Guide us into the way of peace***

**Our Town....**Give thanks for the variety of shops we have; the kindness of the shopkeepers and the community spirit that exists. Pray for the work of all the churches in the town and for the Basics Bank. Ask God to help us share with others the blessings we receive.

***Guide us into the way of peace***

**The sick.....**Bring before God all those who are ill at home and in hospital. Pray they may not feel alone but encircled with God's love.

***Guide us into the way of peace***

***I give the back the life I owe, that in thine ocean depths  
its flow may richer, fuller be***