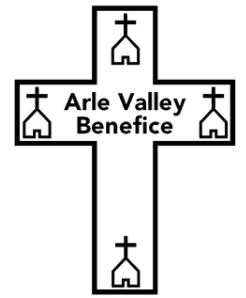


The Arle Valley Benefice



[St. John's Church, New Alresford](#) + [St. Peter's Church, Ovington](#)
[St. Mary's Church, Old Alresford](#) + [All Saints Church, Bighton](#)

31st May 2026 - Trinity Sunday

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:

[2 Corinthians 13.11-end](#)

[Matthew 28.16-end](#)



St. Mary's

9.30am Benefice Communion

Live Streaming at St. John's

LIVE

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

Almighty and everlasting God,
you have given us your servants grace,
by the confession of a true faith,
to acknowledge the glory of the
eternal Trinity
and in the power of the divine majesty
to worship the Unity:
keep us steadfast in this faith,
that we may evermore be defended
from all adversities;
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

Almighty and eternal God,
you have revealed yourself as Father,
Son and Holy Spirit,
and live and reign in the perfect unity
of love:
hold us firm in this faith,
that we may know you in all your ways
and evermore rejoice in your
eternal glory,
who are three Persons yet one God,
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 (1st - 5th June)

Mon 1 st	9am 10am 3.30pm	All Saints New Venue - St. Mary's John Pearson Hall	Morning Prayer Old Alresford Mondays at 10.00 Monday Meet & Eat
Wed 3 rd	9am 10am 2pm 5pm	St. Mary's St. John's Alresford Library West Room @ St. John's	Morning Prayer Midweek Holy Communion Befriend the End Chill, Chat & Chomp
Thurs 4 th	10am 4pm	John Pearson Hall St. John's	Chatterbox Baby & Toddler Group Soul Children
Fri 5 th	10am	Prayer Space @ St. John's	Parish Prayer Meeting

NEXT SUNDAY - 7th June (First Sunday after Trinity)

9.30am 11am 4pm	St. John's St. Mary's St. John's	Parish Communion Village Family Praise Families @ 4pm	
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PRAYERS FOR:

Audrey B, Jenny W, Peter C, Paul D, Janet P, Audrey S, Marion M, Shirley W, Margaret Se, Barbara G, Audrey C, Rosemary F, Hazel G, Val L, Tony H, Ian V, Jilly C, Sarah G, Dennis, David O, Meg R, 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:

Robi Swann, Mary Gray and Peter Pooley

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. 07891 120662.

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

RECTOR APPOINTMENT UPDATE

Advertising from 24 April for 4 weeks, close 21 May

Shortlist 27 May at 7.30pm / Interview 16 June (tours on 15th)

Please keep this whole process in your prayers and don't forget to use the booklet of prayers given out in January. More available at the back of church.



ALRESFORD COMMUNITY CINEMA - IN THE JOHN PEARSON HALL

Hamnet - Tuesday, 16th June at 7pm. Tickets £10 (card/cash on the door). Licensed bar. Starring Jessie Buckley and Paul Mescal, the theme is that the tragic death of Shakespeare's 11-year-old son – the titular Hamnet – fed into the writing of Shakespeare's 'Hamlet'.

Bookings: t. 01962 736282 or t. 07780 703543. Please note: Booked seats will be reserved until 6.45pm but then released for general sale. Brought to you by the Friends of St. John's.

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ST JOHN'S FLOWERS

The chancel flowers in St. John's have been sponsored by:
Dennis Malpass: Remembering Jean



BAPTISM

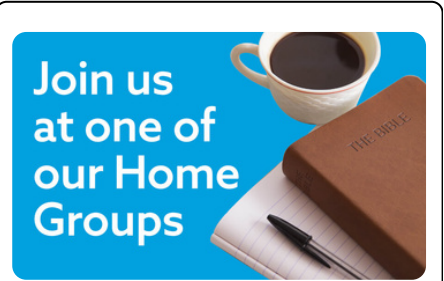
Please pray for **Arlo Morgan-Giles** who will be baptised at St. Mary's on Sunday, 14th June at 11.30am and his parents, **August** and **Amelia**.



THANKSGIVING / FUNERAL SERVICES

Peter Pooley - Thanksgiving Service at St. John's on Friday, 29th May at 2.30pm. **Colourful funeral attire is encouraged.** A recording of the service will be available afterwards. Please contact the Parish Office on arlevalleychurches@gmail.com for a link.

Mary Gray - Funeral service on 8th June in Northampton at 11.30am. *Please contact Maureen Mackrell for details.*



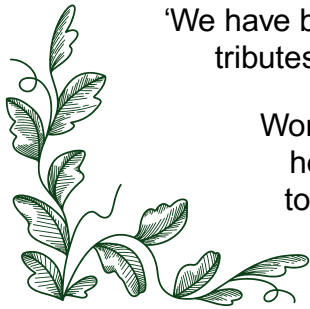
Our Home Groups are an opportunity to discuss our faith and learn from the Bible and each other in a small group.

The groups are open to anyone who wants to develop their faith and deepen friendships with other members of our churches.

Please contact Rosie Waring Green t. 07891 120662 for help in deciding which one you would like to attend.

Some meet weekly/less often, some in houses and others on Zoom.

thankyou



'We have been overwhelmed by the number of messages, tributes and flowers we have received in recent weeks.

Words cannot express how grateful we are to know how much Peter was admired and respected and to have your love and support at this difficult time.'

- The Pooley family

UPCOMING SUNDAY SERVICES - 7TH JUNE

PARISH COMMUNION @ ST. JOHN'S (1ST AND 3RD SUNDAYS)

9.30am Our service of Holy Communion from Common Worship. **Refreshments afterwards.**

VILLAGE FAMILY PRAISE @ ST. MARY'S

11am - 1st Sunday every month.

Our service of Morning Praise for the whole family. **Refreshments afterwards. All welcome.**

FAMILIES AT 4PM @ ST. JOHN'S

4pm - 1st Sunday of the month. We gather together in St. John's for fun interactive **storytelling, songs, a great craft session and a cuppa.** We have babies and toddlers to teens and all in between.



The **Creation Care** team are having a stall at the **Alresford Green Fair** in Broad Street on Sunday 7th June from 10am - 3pm. There will be lots to interest, inform and amuse you on the stall so please do go along & support them.

The Alresford Green Fair is a collaboration between New Alresford Town Trust and New Leaf Alresford, and will be a celebration of local growers, producers, craftspeople, and community groups.

New Leaf will also host an **Earth, Air & Water** series of three talks in **The Barn at The Flowerpots on Monday 15th June** – looking at air quality, nature connectivity, and the health of our chalk streams. Save the date, and **book your free place here.**

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UPCOMING GROUPS - MARK YOUR CALENDARS...



OLD ALRESFORD MONDAYS AT 10.00 - 1st Monday of each month
Monday, 1st June 10am - 12pm, ****NOW MEETING AT ST. MARY'S CHURCH!****
A warm welcome for **ALL AGES**. Including *toys for toddlers and a chance to meet and chat with other families*. Refreshments too!
Sue Armstrong 01962 734542 & Erica Sisk 01962 732735.

BEFRIEND THE END

Wed, 3rd June at 2pm in the Alresford Library

Are you curious? Do you have questions about death and dying?

If so, come along to our informal afternoons and meet like-minded people to share and discover more about living well and dying well over a cuppa and a slice of cake.

At the Alresford Library on the 1st Wednesday of every month at 2 - 3pm.

For further information email: contact@befriendtheend.co.uk



COFFEE, CAKE & CHAT @ ST. JOHN'S

Tuesday, 9th June (10 - 11.30am) in the John Pearson Hall

Come and join us on the 2nd Tuesday of each month for tea, coffee & 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!

SAVE THE DATE! FUNDRAISING CONCERT FOR ST. MARY'S

Sunday, 5th July / 6 to 8pm. Tickets £20

Pinglestone Barn, Old Alresford SO24 9TB



FRIARY BRASS BAND formed in Guildford in 1983 and now based in Chertsey has competed at the highest level and qualified for the National Finals at the Royal Albert Hall no fewer than nine times since 2013. The band has earned a reputation for entertainment and is regarded as one of the leading bands in the south.

MURIELE is a talented French singer known for her captivating performances of retro, jazz and wartime songs, drawing from the rich tradition of French chanson.

TICKETS
TWO Options:

SCAN ME



or visit:

www.friarybrassband.com



Our Facebook page
Our Instagram page

https://www.facebook.com/StJohnsAlresford_the_alresford_area_churches

Material for notices:

please email Penny Forbes at
notices@arlevallychurches.org.uk

Deadline: 12pm Wednesday

Information about those in hospital to:

Jackie Connell t. 01962 732056 or
Patricia Todd t. 07810 723973

Urgent information for Intercessions to the churchwardens.

Rector: Position Vacant

Benefice Office

Open Monday - Friday 9 - 11am

t. 01962 733545

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Prayers for the coming week (31st May - 6th June)

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.**

**Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty.
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

Please pray for

The Christian church throughout the world as we celebrate Trinity Sunday.

Pray for those who have applied for the role of Rector to this benefice and for all involved in the selection process, that they may be led by prayer. Give thanks for all visiting ministers who have led services during the vacancy.

The world, for all affected by the ongoing wars in Ukraine and the Middle East.

Pray for all refugees, all seeking shelter, medical help or food, all who have lost everything. Pray for peace between Ukraine and Russia, and in Gaza, Lebanon and Iran. Pray for aid workers who risk their own lives to support others. Pray for all in the Democratic Republic of Congo struggling with the deadly Ebola virus.

All politicians who are struggling with difficult world events. Locally give thanks for those who work to maintain our quality of life, for all medical staff, street cleaners and refuse collectors working in the current heatwave. Pray for all who have found the heat difficult to cope with. Help us to do all we can to try to reduce the effects of climate change by taking care of our local environment, reducing waste of food, water and power supplies.

All who are sick, at home, in hospitals or recovering from recent operations.

Pray for all who grieve, all who feel lost or anxious after the loss of a close relative or friend. Give thanks for all who care for the most vulnerable in our community.

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea;**

**Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**