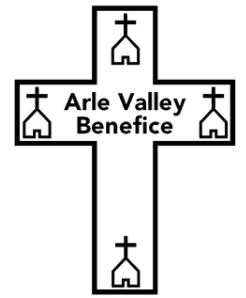


# The Arle Valley Benefice



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

**5<sup>th</sup> July 2026 - Fifth 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:**

**St. John's**

**Psalm 104:1, 14-24**

**Matthew 25:31-end**

**SUNDAY**

**St. John's**

9.30am Parish Communion (CW)

4pm Families @ 4pm

**St. Mary's**

11am Village Family Praise

**St. Peter's**

11am Café Church

**All Saints**

No Service

## Collect for Today

Almighty and everlasting God,  
by whose Spirit the whole body of the  
Church is governed and sanctified:  
hear our prayer which we offer for all  
your faithful people,  
that in their vocation and ministry  
they may serve you in holiness and truth  
to the glory of your name;  
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Amen**

## Post Communion Prayer

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you,  
that the course of this world may be so  
peaceably ordered by your governance,  
that your Church may joyfully serve you  
in all godly quietness;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

## **LIVE** 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.



## THIS WEEK (6<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> July)

<b>Mon 6<sup>th</sup></b>	9am 10am 11am 3.30pm	All Saints St. Mary's St. John's John Pearson Hall	<b>Morning Prayer</b> <b>Old Alresford Mondays at 10.00</b> <b>Funeral - Audrey Bales</b> <b>Monday Meet &amp; Eat</b>
<b>Wed 8<sup>th</sup></b>	9am 10am 5pm	St. Mary's St. John's West Room @ St. John's	<b>Morning Prayer</b> <b>Midweek Holy Communion</b> <b>Chill, Chat &amp; Chomp</b>
<b>Thurs 9<sup>th</sup></b>	10am	John Pearson Hall	<b>Chatterbox Baby &amp; Toddler Group</b>
<b>Fri 10<sup>th</sup></b>	10am	Prayer Space @ St. John's	<b>Parish Prayer Meeting</b>
<b>Sat 11<sup>th</sup></b>	7.30pm	St. John's	<b>ACC Concert - Songs for Summer</b>

## NEXT SUNDAY - 12<sup>th</sup> July (Sixth Sunday after Trinity)

9.30am	St. John's	<b>Breakfast Church</b>
9.30am	St. Mary's	<b>Morning Praise</b>
11am	St. Peter's	<b>Parish Communion</b>
11am	All Saints	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
6pm	St. John's	<b>Sundays @ Six</b>

### TELL ME MORE ABOUT...

#### OLD ALRESFORD MONDAYS AT 10.00

1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month @ St. Mary's at 10am

Our monthly meet up is for everyone of all ages to come along, relax and chat.

A great way to meet new people.

Refreshments served!

For more info, contact Sue Armstrong, t. 01962 734542 or Erica Sisk, t. 01962 732735.



### PRAYERS FOR:

Dennis M, 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, 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:

Audrey Bales, Paul Dix and Robi Swann

### 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. 07891 120662.

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

### ARLE VALLEY BENEFICE VACANCY SUNDAY, 5<sup>TH</sup> JULY - 24 HOUR PRAYER

Do join in sometime either at home or in church to pray for the interviews for the new Rector taking place on **Monday, 6th July.**

St. John's will be open from 6am to 10pm with a time of reflection on Living Water from 7.30 - 8.30am and a reflection on Psalm 23 from 7.30 - 8.30pm. There will be the usual services at 9.30am and also Families@4 at 4pm.

**Please support this time of prayer whenever and wherever you can.**



### Re: Solar Farm Application Bishops Sutton



**ATTENTION**



The article on page 35 of the July/Aug edition of the Arle Valley Voice magazine was inadvertently printed with incorrect information.

Updated copies of the article to be found at the back of St. John's Church.

# Notices

## ST JOHN'S FLOWERS

The chancel flowers in St. John's have been sponsored by:  
**Maureen Mackrell: Thank you for our Diamond Anniversary**



## BAPTISMS

Please pray for **Oscar Taylor** who will be baptised at St. John's on **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July** at 12pm.

## FUNERAL SERVICE

**Audrey Bales** - 11am on Monday, 6<sup>th</sup> July at St. John's

## THE SUNSHINE SINGERS PRESENT: CINDERELLA & ROCKERFELLA

**Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> July at 6pm at St. John's**

The Sunshine Singers of Sun Hill Infants and Juniors invite you to a concert performance of Cinderella and Rockerfella.

**Tickets: £5 per adult / £2.50 Secondary age pupils, primary age pupils free. Tickets in ADVANCE** from Rosie Waring Green e. [rosie@22rwg.co.uk](mailto:rosie@22rwg.co.uk), t. 07891 120662, Cash or BACS.

## KNIT FOR UKRAINE

I have a friend who makes up knitted blankets for Ukraine as part of the **New Forest for Ukraine** initiative.



She'd love to receive knitted squares 7" x 7" in any double-knit wool, on size 4 needles.

If you'd like to help, I can supply some wool - or do use up your own 'left overs'.

I'm looking forward to passing on your output!

**Best wishes, Jane Parsons t. 01962 734561**

THE SUNSHINE SINGERS PRESENTS

# Cinderella & Rockerfella

FRIDAY, 3<sup>RD</sup> JULY 6PM

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH NEW ALRESFORD

Music by Mark & Helen Johnson  
Script by Sue Langwade  
Out of the Ark Music

**TICKETS:**  
£5 ADULTS  
£2.50 SECONDARY AGE PUPILS  
FREE PRIMARY AGE PUPILS

This panto-style production takes everything you think you know about the classic fairytale and makes it fabulous!

We're talking one beautiful princess, a rockstar prince, two sassy stepsisters who you can't help but love and hate all at once, and superb songs that'll have you toe-tapping and chuckling along right through to the curtain call!

Book tickets in advance:  
Rosie Waring Green  
[rosie@22rwg.co.uk](mailto:rosie@22rwg.co.uk)  
or 07891 120662

July EVENTS

## PLEASE JOIN US! LOTS OF GREAT MUSIC! FUNDRAISING CONCERT FOR ST. MARY'S

**Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> July / 6 to 8pm. Tickets £20**  
Pinglestone Barn, Old Alresford SO24 9TB

Entente Cordiale

# CONCERT

SUNDAY 5 JULY

WITH MUSIC FROM

**FRIARY** brass band

&

**Muriele** FRENCH SINGER

**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.

SCAN ME

**TICKETS**  
**TWO Options:**

or visit:  
[www.friarybrassband.com](http://www.friarybrassband.com)

# Notices

## MORE JULY AND AUGUST EVENTS - SO MANY CHOICES!!

### THE CHINESE COMMUNIST REVOLUTION OF 1949

A Talk by Henrietta Harrison (University of Oxford)

Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> July (Doors open at 7pm for 7.30pm start)

Join us at St. Peter's Church, Ovington for a fascinating talk that looks at 1949 as a year of revolution in China and uses diaries to think about the experience of living through that revolution.



It will provide a basic background to the events of the communist revolution, but then it will ask what the revolution meant to people, how they learned about its practices and ideology, and how this changed their lives. The focus will be on the lives and stories of Chinese people who lived through those events.

SCAN ME!



Tickets £15 (including a drink and nibbles) are available on [www.ticketsource.co.uk/ovington](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/ovington).

Proceeds to St. Peter's Fabric Fund.

## Old Alresford Mothers' Union

Please join us on **Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> July** to celebrate **150 years of the Mothers' Union** which was founded in Old Alresford by Mary Sumner.

We will be serving a **cream tea** for **£5 per head** at the John Pearson Hall between **2.15 and 4pm**. All very welcome.

Proceeds will go towards 'AFIA' funding away days for needy families.

### Three great things....

- Café Church @ St. Peter's - 5<sup>th</sup> July / 11am
- Families at 4pm @ St. John's - 5<sup>th</sup> July / 4pm
- Sundays @ Six - 12<sup>th</sup> July / 6pm



Our Facebook page  
Our Instagram page

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

### Material for notices:

please email Penny Forbes at [notices@arlevallychurches.org.uk](mailto: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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[www.arlevallychurches.org.uk](http://www.arlevallychurches.org.uk)

## Prayers for the coming week (5<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> July)



**Come, Lord, come to us,  
that we may find rest and peace in you**

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

**God's World....** Hold before God the people of Venezuela following the earthquakes and aftershocks; ask that they may be engulfed with your love and not felt abandoned by the rest of the world. Pray too for all emergency services giving thanks for their courage and fortitude.

**Our Young People.....**during this difficult time of exams, transitions and life changing circumstances pray that all young people feel loved and encouraged. Ask God to be with them and their anxieties. Pray too for all those about to leave home for the first time.

**Climate Change.....**Having just gone through an awfully hot heat wave, pray that all may now accept that we must do something about climate change. Pray that we may see God's wonderful world through his eyes and commit to caring for it properly.

**Our Health Service.....**Bring before God all those who work in our Health Service. As investigations of bad practice are being carried out, pray that God will speak to all those in authority and that good practice may be the norm everywhere. Give thanks for our surgery and the care we receive from our hospitals and hospices.

**For ourselves....**As we come into the holiday season, ask God to help us make welcome all who come to our town in the summer months. Pray that we may be grateful for time of leisure and relaxation and be empathetic to those who cannot afford a time away.

**Come, Lord, come to us,  
that we may love you and proclaim your saving power**