

Holy Communion

Collect for Sunday

Risen Christ,
faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep:
teach us to hear your voice
and to follow your command,
that all your people may be gathered into one flock,
to the glory of God the Father.

Reading—Acts 9:36-end
(Page 160 of NT in bibles)

Read by Spencer Tubb

Gospel - John 10:22-30
(page 132 of NT in bibles)

Eucharist presided by Revd Christine Bainbridge

Preaching by Revd Gary Collins

Worship led by Revd Christine Bainbridge

Prayers led by Clergy

Hymns for Today

Sing for God's Glory
Beneath the cross of Jesus
I will offer up my life
My worth is not in what I own
Come, my way, my truth, my light
Lord, for the years

*All are invited to come for communion and prayer.
If you do not wish to take communion, please come for prayer. If you
have any particular need, problem or prayer request please speak to a
member of the clergy after the service.*



**Church Day
of Prayer**

Saturday 25th May
10 am to 4 pm
St John and St
Stephen's Church
Orts Rd RG1 3JN

Meditation, labyrinth,
meeting a prayer guide.

contact Rev Christine Bainbridge
bainbridgerev@gmail.com or
Rev Mark Laynesmith
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Christian Aid

Save the Date: this year's Christian Aid walk will be on Sat 18th May. Come and join us as we walk the beautiful countryside around Bix and raise money for the world's poorest peoples.

Chalice Servers

For our new Chalice Servers, there is some guidance being offered this week, and next, with Christine and Gary. 'Old-hand servers' are welcome too.

It's not too demanding, and should be over within 10 minutes. Please meet us at the Altar about 5 minutes after the service has ended.

Romeo & Juliet

Dorchester Festival

Zach Morris is playing Romeo at this production, at Dorchester Abbey Wednesday 15th - Friday 17th May & Sunday 19th 2019.

Flyer available in church and from Alison.

Christian Aid Sponsored Walk

Saturday 18th May.

Walk 5, 10 or 15 miles in the beautiful countryside around Bix, near Henley. Don't like asking for sponsorship? Then just pay a minimum of £20 on the day instead.

Details and sponsorship forms available from Liz Bailey.

Taizé 2019

18-25th August. It's particularly aimed at young adults aged 15+. Please speak to Richard Croft for more info.



Birthdays

Liz Bailey (14th)
Steve Lewis (14th)
Stephen Dilley (15th)
Stina Sam (15th)
Elaine Maynard (18th)

Prayers

- Prayers for Sushila and her family as they cope with husband Vikram's diagnosis.
- Prayers for Val Thorne and family.
- Prayers for John Lawrence, son of Judith, as he continues his treatment.
- Prayers for Leslie & June Russell.
- Prayers for Carol Meunier.
- Please pray for Chris and Bill Gothard and family, for the grace and strength to persevere.

Please give any items for prayer or notices to
 The Office *before* 9am on Wednesday
 by pigeon hole, e-mail or phone.

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Church Diary

Sun 12th	10.30am	Holy Communion (sung)
	2-5pm	Contact Centre
Mon 13th	9am	Morning Prayer
	10-12pm	English Class
	1-3pm	Monday Monsters
Tues 14th	9.45am	Fireside
	12-2pm	Jacket Potato Club
Weds 15th	1.30-3.30	Oasis
	6-8pm	Cubs & Scouts
Thurs 16th	10.45am	Holy Communion (Café)
	11.15am	Coffee morning
Friday 17th	9am	Morning Prayer
Sun 19th	10.30am	Holy Communion (sung)

Small Groups

Oasis (Bridget Barwick)	966 9735	Wed 1.30pm
Richard & Rosemary Croft	926 0672	Thurs 8.00 pm
Jeremy & Rachel Thake	987 1288	Thurs 8.00 pm
Judith Lawrence	954 1332	Thurs 8.00 pm

You are welcome to join - please speak to contact/leader

Vicar: Interregnum

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**St. John &
 St. Stephen's**

Fourth Sunday of Easter

28th April 2019



WELCOME TO THIS CHURCH!

Don't rush away, please feel free to join us after the morning service for a cup of coffee or tea, and chat. We look forward to your company.

12th May—Peter & Nancy Crooks

19th May—Marian Harwood & friends

Welcome Team leader **Maureen Stevens**

On-duty Warden today is **Ian Maynard**

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