

DIARY

Mon 17th JULY	12noon	Prayer meeting in St John's Church.
Tues 18th	9.00am 9.30am 10.30am	Morning Prayer in St Ben's Church. Chapter meeting at the Vicarage, with the Dean of Wells. Holy Communion at St Patrick's Chapel, Glastonbury Abbey.
Wed 19th	9.00am 10.00am 10.30am 3.00pm 7.00pm	Morning Prayer in St John's Church. Holy Communion Service in St John's Church. Glastonbury Voices Choir in St Ben's Church. Funeral of Geoffrey Burrows in St John's Church. Compline at the Abbey.
Thurs 20th	9.00am 9.15am 10.30am	Morning Prayer at St Mary's Church, Meare. St John's School Yr 2 Leavers' Service in St John's Church. Holy Communion Service in St Ben's Church.
Fri 21st	9.00am 12noon 2.00pm	Morning Prayer at Abbey House. Soup lunches in St Ben's Church. St Ben's School Leavers' Service in School.
Sat 22nd	9.00am 11.00am	Morning Prayer in St John's Church. Holy Communion Service in St Margaret's Chapel.
Sun 23rd	THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	
	8.00am 9.30am 11.00am 11.00am 5.00pm	Holy Communion Service in St John's Church. Parish Communion Service in St John's Church. Parish Service in St Ben's Church. Morning Service in St Mary's Church, Meare. Benefice Evensong, for Derek Dorey's retirement, in St John's Church.
	Readings:	Gen.28:10-19a; Ps.139.1-11,23-24; Rom.8:12-25; Matt.13:24-30,36-43

We are pleased that you are here in our church and we pray that your visit may bring you closer to God's Love.



Welcome to the Benefice of Glastonbury with Meare



St John's Church



St Benedict's Church



St Mary's Church,
Meare

Sunday 16th July 2017

The Fifth Sunday After Trinity

St John's

8.00am: Holy Communion

Celebrant: The Vicar

9.30am: Family Communion Service

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Preacher: Mrs. Di Grenter

11.30am: Baptism

The Vicar

St Benedict's

11.00am: Café Style Service

Team-led

3.00pm: Glastonbury Voices Concert

St Mary's, Meare

11.00am: Matins

Leader & Preacher:
Mrs. Margaret Wynn

Collect

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.

Bible Readings for today:

Gen.25:19-end; Ps.119:105-112; Rom.8:1-11; Matt.13:1-9,18-23

BELL-RINGING

Have you heard the bells before Sunday Service, and again on Thursday evenings, what is it that makes people take up bell-ringing? The bells are rung full circle, i.e. through 360 degrees, and it is the control of the bell via the rope attached to the wheel that is often challenging to new beginners but once mastered can be enjoyed ringing together as part of a team. As well as being good for you physically it can also be rewarding mentally as well. There are methods to learn, from simple ones to others much more complicated. These methods, in turn, can be extended into quarter peals which take about 45 minutes to ring without a break and full peals which take about 3 hours to ring, again without a break. Peals and quarter peals are often specially arranged to celebrate national events such as a Monarch's birthday or Jubilee or for local events such as a priest's ordination. We also ring for weddings when requested to do so by bride and groom, this is one of the occasions when we get paid for doing something we enjoy. Sometimes the bells are rung "half-muffled" for a funeral and we also ring the bells "half-muffled" on Remembrance Sunday. There is a local Association you can join by paying a subscription and many experienced ringers are elected to historic Societies such as "The Ancient Society of College Youths". We have outings to ring at other churches, and competitions to ring at and be judged against other teams. If you are interested to join us I can be contacted via Sharon at the Church Office. **Brian Mountjoy, Tower Captain, St. John's.**

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Closure of Abbey House

It is with great sadness that we have to announce that The Abbey have given Notice to Abbey House in that they will not be renewing the Lease.

Therefore, Abbey House will cease on the 27th December this year.

Please hold Rob Norman and all the staff in your prayers. **The Vicar**

A 'THANK YOU' FROM DAVID FOX-BRANCH!...

Thank you to all those who helped to make my recent Ordination weekend so special. We have been snowed-under with cards, both for my priesting and our move. But also to everybody who took the time and effort to share in, and prepare for, Saturday and Sunday in some way. My Ordination gifts have already been in use and will remain with me throughout my ministry, being a blessing both to me and to our community. Thank you again, and bless you all. **David**

PLEASE NOTE : ST BEN'S PCC MEETING ON TUESDAY 18TH JULY HAS BEEN CANCELLED.
THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON TUESDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER (JOINT WITH ST JOHN'S).

Baytree Lunch

Wednesday 19th July: Baytree Lunch 12 noon. All welcome. Cost £6.50.

If you would like to come, please let Joy Taylor know.

Derek Dorey's Retirement

If you would like to contribute towards a retirement gift for Derek please see the Vicar or Churchwardens.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS:

Those who are long-term ill: Janet Allen, Diana & Alan Asbridge, Avril Baker, Edward Canning, Sophie Contaris, Glenys Difford, Muriel Ferris, Martin Grist, Marie Harris, Gaythorne Jenkins, Jean Rooney, Jeanne Rout, Andrew & Sheila Scott-Evans, Ashley Whitehead, Rebecca Whitehead and Brian & Freda Williams.

For those to be baptised: POLLY GRAY

**For those who have died: GEOFFREY BURROWS
RICHARD HOECKER**



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