



Church News

SERVICES THIS WEEK

7 September 12th Sunday after Trinity	9.30am	Family Communion (CW)	Broad Chalke Berwick St John Britford Ebbesbourne Wake Coombe Bissett Odstock	Maggie Metcalfe Ruth H-S Maggie Metcalfe Biddy Trahair Ruth H-S Adrian Taylor
	9.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)		
	11.00am	Pet Service		
	11.00am	Morning Prayer (BCP)		
	11.00am	Parish Communion (CW)		
	11.00am	Family Service		

Happy New Year!

Not a greeting that we often use at this time of the year but one which I feel is appropriate in many ways. Admittedly, we are not starting 2026 quite yet (though it does seem to be hurtling towards us) but there is so much that is new about September, including new terms, new uniforms and even new shoes for many who are starting the new academic year. I remember how hard it was getting used to wearing shoes again after endless summer weeks of bare feet or flip flops! And don't children grow fast in July and August!



September. A new season with different colours and cooler weather and the chance to re-evaluate what we do - how we spend our leisure time, whether to join a new group or fitness class, a commitment to new habits, kindnesses and friendships. Unlike 1st January we don't use the term 'New Year Resolutions' with all the implications of optimism and inevitable failure these bring. Nevertheless, this is a time we can use to think about how we live. Our readings on Sunday encouraged one way of doing this. 'Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers' says the writer of the book of Hebrews 'for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it... Do not neglect to do good and share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God'.

God makes all things new yet is unending and unchanging. A constant in a world of change. Our faith offers a secure base and safe harbour to which we can return with confidence despite the uncertainty and the newness of this new season. Let us put our trust in Him who sets an example of loving the stranger, of hospitality and generosity, of constancy and security even when our new shoes, literal or metaphorical, feel uncomfortable, and uniform feels unfamiliar and stifling. Let's see this 'New Year' as an opportunity to refresh how we live, considering others and giving glory to God.

Rev'd Maggie Metcalfe



Readings for this Sunday: Old Testament : Deuteronomy 30 v 15 - end

New Testament : Philemon v 1-21 **Gospel** : Luke 14 v 25 - 33 **Psalm** : 1

If you are unable to attend a service in church this Sunday, there is a morning service on the radio ...



8.10am BBC Radio 4 'Saints and Song'

The Southwell Consort sing music by Palestrina, Tallis and Sheppard at St Dominic's Priory

Mevagissey Male Choir Afternoon Concert

2 pm Sunday 28 September



All Saints' Church
Charlton All Saints



SP5 4HQ

We are very lucky to have a visit from this well-known Cornish choir, as they celebrate 50 years of singing and charity

fundraising, led by jazz musician Jimmy Cannon. To hear them sing, visit www.meva-choir.co.uk or find them on YouTube.

Early Bird Tickets £12.50
Standard Tickets £15.00

Online <https://bit.ly/457T1gm> or scan QR
Email charlton.all.saints.pcc@gmail.com



WORSHIP TOGETHER
at The Hub, Broad Chalke

HARVEST FESTIVAL

September 14th 2025
at 10.30am



followed by a Bring and Share Lunch
All are welcome to this informal service,
and any offerings will be taken to the
Salisbury Foodbank



A Private Collector's
Display of Christening Gowns
including Vintage Memorabilia

Saturday 27th & Sunday 28th September
11am - 4pm



The Village Hall
Bishopstone
SP5 4AA

Entry price £10



Teas & Cakes available

Proceeds to The Friends of Bishopstone
Church Roof Appeal
Contact: annewheelwright@gmail.com

Harvest Supper & Barn Dance

With Hambledon Hopstep Band

Saturday 27th
September

Broad Chalke Village Hall
All ages Welcome

Doors open: 6pm
Dancing starts: 6:30pm

Tickets from the Hub
£20
Children under 13: £1
Includes supper and a drink



Great fun was had by all at the Pop up Arty August in Nunton recently, and plenty of new artistic talent revealed.

The Angels Wings are now in Nunton Church for anyone to add to, and will be available for Creativitea in the Barker Room 3rd Thursday in September.

Thanks to Rev'd Alison, Rev'd Maggie and all involved!

A HOMESpun TRIBUTE TO OUR MEN & WOMEN FALLEN IN WAR
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Friday 31st October
& Saturday 1st November 2025

Dinton Village Hall, SP3 5EB, 7.00pm - 9.30pm, Doors open 6.15pm

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ACE SMA - Supporting children with spinal muscular atrophy
(www.aceasma.co.uk)
REACT (REACT Disaster Response) - Supporting the vulnerable
in the wake of natural disasters (www.react.org.uk)

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SEEKING YOUR KINGDOM

Thursday, 4 September 2025

God of glory,
the end of our searching,
help us to lay aside
all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom,
and to give all that we have
to gain the pearl beyond all price,
through our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE DAY