

*I am
with you
always*

Matthew 28:20

Sunday 4th June
Trinity Sunday

Psalm 8 | Genesis 1:1-2:4a | 2 Corinthians 13:11-13 | Matthew 28:16-20

The first disciples must have been puzzled when Jesus told them: “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.” It was a huge statement for them as Jews to absorb. However they knew about God the Father who created everything; they’d seen Jesus revealing God’s heart of love; and He’d breathed His promise of the Holy Spirit: God with them for ever.

Our Shared Worship

Sunday 4th June

8am Holy Communion, St Johns, Grove – Rev John Durant

9.30am Parish Eucharist, St James, Hanney – Rev Geoff Maughan

10am Family Communion, St John’s, Grove – Rev John Durant & Sarah-Jane Frideswide

10am Holy Communion, St James, Denchworth – Rev Nicholas Cheeseman

11am Parish Eucharist, St Nicholas, East Challow – Rev Robert Teare

2.30pm Blessing & Thanksgiving Service for a child, W.Hanney – Rev John Durant

Upcoming Services

Sunday 11th June

8am Holy Communion, St Johns, Grove – Rev Alec Gill

9.30am Parish Eucharist, St James, Hanney – Rev John Durant

10am Morning Worship, St John’s, Grove – Sue Powditch

10am Holy Communion, St James, Denchworth – Rev Alec Gill

11am Parish Eucharist, St Nicholas, East Challow – Rev John Durant

4pm WGCP AGM & Service, St John’s, Grove

BENEFICE NEWS

FLYER DROP FOR FETE After the success of last year's leaflet drop for the summer fete, we would like to repeat this again to as many Grove streets as possible, during the two weeks leading up to the fete. If you are able to help with this please have a look at the map of Grove and the street names, which will be in the church foyer. Please strike the road name and put your name against it, to show which roads you can deliver fete leaflets to. Please can we especially focus on the new housing? Many thanks. Nicky.

ST JOHN'S CHURCH FETE 24th June (2-4pm). As we look forward to the fete in 3 weeks, please encourage friends, family or work colleagues to give donations of:

- New toiletries (Posh soaps, bubble bath, perfume etc) plus chocolates and soft drinks for the tombola
- new gifts, vouchers, bottle or hamper for the raffle
- gifts for nearly new stall
- good quality toys, and bric a brac

Many thanks, Nicky nicolagibbard@hotmail.co.uk

WOMEN'S SOCIAL GROUP Meeting: Sunday 4th June 2023 in the Lower St John's Room (3pm – 4.30pm). All Welcome.

OPEN TABLE HOME GROUP MEETINGS on the 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of the month from 6.30pm at Cornerstone, Grove. Next one will be on Wednesday 7th June.

CORNERSTONE PRAYER BREAKFAST 2nd Saturdays of the month. Next one 8.30am on Saturday 10th June.

BOARD GAMES AFTERNOON the next one will take place on Sunday 18th June (2-5pm). Can you help by making cakes / serving refreshments at these events? If so, please let the office know. Many thanks.

CORNERSTONE CHRISTIAN CENTRE AGM will be held on Monday 19th June. Light refreshments will be served from 7.15pm ready for a 7.30pm start. Come and meet our board of Trustees and find out more about the running of Cornerstone. Best Wishes. Sarah. Cornerstone Christian Centre, 10 Savile Way, Grove, OX12 0PT. Tel: 01235 772280. www.cornerstonegrove.org.uk

YOUNG PEOPLE'S VIEWS The church of England would like to hear from young people about their views - Here's the link for the questions for young people: <https://www.oxford.anglican.org/mission/children-young-people-and-families/consultancy-for-national-bid/consultation-for-national-bid>

If you would like to take part in this consultancy. *John Durant*

WANTAGE PARISH CHURCH: 29th June – 2nd July. A Sustainable Church Flower Festival. With Coronation Florist Shane Connolly. Information and tickets from www.wantageparish.com

ST JOHN'S TEA PARTY AT CORNERSTONE 3rd Saturdays of the month. All ages welcome. Please do come and support Cornerstone at this lovely regular event.

PLEASE PRAY: for the family and friends of Zita Viner. Her funeral will be held on Tuesday 6th June 2023 at South Oxfordshire Crematorium at 3.00pm.

NEWSLETTER Send any notices to be included in the newsletter by 10pm on Wednesday night. Email: news@valebenefice.org.uk

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CHALLOW TODDLER GROUP Volunteers needed to help with refreshments at the GroW Toddler session in East Challow Village Hall. The group runs on Tuesdays in term time 10-11.30am. contact@growfamilies.co.uk or phone Tel: 01235 376037 if you might be able to help.

WANTAGE & GROVE FOODBANK needs volunteers to pack & deliver food parcels (Monday & Wednesday mornings fortnightly). Also need a shopper (Friday mornings). Need to be fit, healthy & have a car. We also need larger premises & to be working from 1 site at a nominal fee (not multiple sites). If you know of anywhere with parking & no stairs, do get in touch.

CORNERSTONE NEWS

Take Note – There is a new promotion running and leaflets with details of the books available can be found on the Welcome Table at St John's as well as in Cornerstone.

Volunteers - We are still looking for volunteers, particularly on Saturdays. If you can give a couple of hours either on a regular basis or just occasionally or would like to know more of what is involved, please do get in touch.

Foodbank and Clothes Bank – A reminder that we are a collection point for the Wantage & Grove Foodbank and the Clothes bank (children's clothes only).

AGM - Advance notice that our AGM will be held on Monday 19th June at 7.30pm - we look forward to seeing you. Tel: 772280 Email: office@cornerstonegrove.org.uk

PRAYER REQUESTS If anyone has specific prayer requests, please email confidentially to; prayer@valebenefice.org.uk

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Health and healing: Jeannette, John, Norah, John, Sandra, Ellie, Ari, Laura, Ursula and Richard.



Friends & Family mourning: Zita, Frederick, Pat, Roy, Mollie, Annis, Anne, Lesley, Polly, Diana, Anne and John.

For all those: taking tests and exams in the coming weeks.

These living at: Halls Lane in East Hanney; Colinsmith Drive, Teal Close, and Collett Way in Grove; W&G Estate and Old School Lane in East Challow.

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR MORNING PRAYER

Mon	Psalm 29	Job 38:39-39:12	1 Corinthians 12:1-3
Tue	Psalm 29	Job 39:13-25	1 Corinthians 12:4-13
Wed	Psalm 29	Job 39:13-25	1 Corinthians 12:4-13
Thu	Psalm 33:1-12	Genesis 13:1-18	2 Peter 2:17-22
Fri	Psalm 33:1-12	Genesis 14:17-24	Acts 28:1-10
Sat	Psalm 33:1-12	Genesis 15:1-20	Matthew 9:27-34



Saturday 24th June

2-4 PM

**ST. JOHN'S CHURCH
GROVE**

**Cream Teas, Books, Tombola, Toys, Plants,
Crafts & Gifts, Children's Games with Guides
Activities with GROW, White Elephant,
Lucky Dip, Raffle and much more...**

Free Entry



DIARY FOR THE WEEK *(Starting on Mon 5th June)*

Mon	10am	GroW Toddlers Group, St John's Church Hall	
	10am	U3A Art Group, Lower St John's Room	
	12.45 pm	GroW Babies Group, St John's Church Hall	
	7 pm	1 st Grove Guides, St John's Church Hall	
Tue	9.30am	Make & Bake, Cornerstone, Grove	
	10 am	Mid-week Eucharist at St James, West Hanney	
	2pm	U3A Main Meeting, St John's Church Hall	
Wed	7pm	2 nd Grove Guides, St John's Church Hall	
	9.15am	St John's Toddler Group, St John's Church Hall	
	10 am	Mid-week Eucharist at St John's, Grove (TBC)	
	2pm	Ancients' Badminton Group, St John's Church Hall	
	6.30pm	Open Table Meeting Group, Cornerstone, Grove	
Thu	7pm	Konga Fitness Class, St John's Church Hall	
	8pm	Vale Elim Meeting, Lower St John's Room	
	10am	Mid-week Eucharist at St Nicholas, East Challow	
	4-5pm	Community Fridge at Cornerstone, Grove	
	5.30pm	Grove Brownies, St John's Church Hall 8pm	St
Sat	8pm	John's Badminton Group, St John's Church Hall	
	8.30am	Morning Prayer Breakfast, Cornerstone, Grove	
	2.30pm	Wedding at St John's Church, Grove	
Sun	Church services for the Benefice are written on the front of this news sheet.		
	6.30pm	Senior Youth Group, St John's Church Hall	

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