



Sunday 11th June
First Sunday after Trinity

Psalm 33:1-12 | Psalm 50:7-15 | Genesis 12:1-9 | Hosea 5:15-6:6
Romans 4:13-2 | Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

This Sunday we've entered what's sometimes known as "ordinary time". That's the time when we aren't celebrating the great feasts of Advent, Christmas/Epiphany, Holy Week, Easter and Pentecost/Trinity. "So-called 'ordinary time' is hardly boring. It allows for more continuous reading from the Bible, for the exploration of other themes such as creation and the environment, and for creative responses to saints' days" (CofE website). It's a time for spiritual growth - hence the green altar cloth. Sunday also happens to mark St Barnabas' Day, whose great gift was to see the good in people, like Paul and Mark, and encourage them. Let's do the same.

Our Shared Worship

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

Upcoming Services

Sunday 18th June

- 8am Holy Communion, St Johns, Grove – Rev John Durant
- 9.30am Parish Eucharist, St James, Hanney – Rev Charles Draper
- 10am Family Communion and Baptism, St John's, Grove – Rev John Durant
- 10am Holy Communion, St James, Denchworth – Rev Alec Gill
- 11am Parish Eucharist, St Nicholas, East Challow – Rev Alec Gill
- 6pm Evening Communion, St John's, Grove

BENEFICE NEWS

WGCP JOINT SERVICE & AGM [This Sunday 11th June \(4pm\)](#) at St John's Church, Grove. A time to celebrate & give thanks for all that God is doing in Wantage, Grove and surrounding area as local churches work together. Also an opportunity to catch up with others during refreshments in the church hall after the service.

FLYER DROP FOR FETE If you are able to help drop flyers to streets in Grove during the two weeks leading up to the fete, please look at the map of Grove & the street names, (which is in the church foyer) & strike the road name & put your name against it, showing which roads you can deliver flyers to. Collect flyers from church foyer or church office. Especially focusing on the new housing. Many thanks. Nicky.

GROVE FMG Meeting on 19th June is [cancelled](#) and a new date is pencilled in for 26th June (8pm) in the St John's Rooms. This new date is to be confirmed.

St JOHN'S TEA PARTY at CORNERSTONE on Saturday 17th June. 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 21st June.

CORNERSTONE PRAYER BREAKFAST 2nd Saturdays of the month. Next ones are on 10th June and 8th July (8.30am) at Cornerstone, Grove. All Welcome.

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

ST JOHN'S CHURCH FETE 24th June (2-4pm). Please save tins, jars & bottles of food, drink, toiletries for the tombola, nearly new toys, books, bric-a-brac & raffle prizes. If appropriate, please ask your place of work to consider donating raffle prizes or promises for our auction. Please plant extra seeds (flowers & vegetables) for our plant stall, & donate homemade produce, jams & honey etc. Any ideas for stalls? Contact Nicky nicolaqibbard@hotmail.co.uk

PRAISE & WORSHIP Evening at Wantage Baptist Church on Sunday 2nd July at 6pm. "Lift the Name of Jesus" featuring songs by local songwriter John. M. Wilson.

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

GROVE CE SCHOOL Thank you for supporting the May Fair. We raised an amazing £1300 which will be used to provide subsidised trips, learning tools, books, electronic learning equipment and much more for all the children at the school. 😊

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.

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

WANTAGE & GROVE EXTRAVAGANZA (The Big Picnic) 17th June, (12 – 5pm)
Grove Recreation Ground, Cane Lane, OX12 0FL, followed by the concert till 11pm.

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. Also needing larger premises & to be working from 1 site at a nominal fee. Do you know anywhere with parking & no stairs?

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

CAMPING: Cool Boxes: Does anyone have 1 or 2 cool boxes with good insulation that we could borrow for our trip to New Wine Christian Festival 26th-30th July? With no power and limited Ice supply, we would be very grateful to borrow these for a week. Many thanks. Chris & Louise O'Neil 07843 860150.

GAZEBO REQUEST: please speak with Alec Gill if you are able to lend him a gazebo for Saturday 23rd June. Thank you.

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

Gifts: Father's Day/Teachers We have a selection of cards & gift items suitable.

Monthly hot meal special on Wednesday 28th June (please do book in advance).

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Health and healing: Jeannette Rose, John Butter, Norah Lunn, John Blair, Sandra Foster, Ellie Donegan, Ari Psaras, Laura Challis, Ursula Geer and Richard Hummerston.

Friends & Family mourning: Frederick Carroll, Pat Charles, Roy Castle, Mollie Day and Polly (Ada) Aldridge.

For all those: taking tests and exams.

These living at: Morlands and Steventon Road in East Hanney; Sycamore Walk, Colne Close and Swan Close in Grove; Hedge Hill Road in East Challow.

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

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR MORNING PRAYER

Mon	Psalm 119:41-48	Genesis 16:1-15	2 Corinthians 6:14-7:2
Tue	Psalm 119:41-48	Genesis 17:1-27	Hebrews 13:1-16
Wed	Psalm 119:41-48	Genesis 18:16-33	Matthew 12:1-8
Thu	Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19	Genesis 21:1-7	Hebrews 3:1-6
Fri	Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19	Genesis 24:1-9	Acts 7:35-43
Sat	Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19	Genesis 24:10-52	Mark 7:1-13

DIARY FOR THE WEEK *(Starting on Mon 12th June)*

Mon	10am	GroW Toddlers Group, St John's Church Hall
	10am	Genealogy Group, St John's Upper Room
	11.30am	Funeral of Roy Castle, St John's Church
	12.45 pm	GroW Babies Group, St John's Church Hall
Tue	7 pm	1 st Grove Guides, St John's Church Hall
	9.30am	Cornerstone Make & Bake (under 5's), Cornerstone
	10am	Simply Singing, St John's Lower Room
	10am	Mid-week Eucharist at St James, West Hanney
	2pm	U3A Film Group, St John's Church Hall
Wed	7pm	2 nd Grove Guides, St John's Church Hall
	7.30pm	Church Warden's Visitation Service, St Giles, Standlake
	9.15am	St John's Toddler Group, St John's Church Hall
	11.30am	Interment of ashes at St James Church, W. Hanney
	12.30pm	Funeral of Frederick Carroll, St John's Church
	2pm	Ancients' Badminton Group, St John's Church Hall
Thu	7pm	Konga Fitness Class, St John's Church Hall
	9.30am	Extend Your Fitness Group, St John's Church Hall
	10am	Mid-week Eucharist at St Nicholas, East Challow
	11am	Funeral of Patricia Charles, South Ox Crematorium
	11am	U3A Leaders' Meeting, Lower St John's Room
	2pm	Bible Group, Lower St John's Room
	4-5pm	Community Fridge at Cornerstone, Grove
Fri	5.30pm	Grove Brownies, St John's Church Hall
	8 pm	St John's Badminton Group, St John's Church Hall
	2pm	Friends on Friday Group (HC), St John's Church/Hall
Sat	8.30am	Morning Prayers at Frances Gillott's house
	10am	Girlguiding Rainbows Event, St John's Church Hall
	Wantage & Grove Extravaganza ,	Grove Recreation Ground, Cane Lane
Sun	2pm	St John's Tea Party at Cornerstone, Grove
	Church services for the Benefice are written on the front of this news sheet.	
	2pm	Board Games afternoon, St John's Church Hall
	7pm	Senior Youth Group, St John's Church Hall

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