

# Vale Benefice Service Sheet

24th May 2026

Pentecost (Whitsunday)

*Readings selected from:*

Acts 2:1-21; Psalm 104:26-35; 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13; John 20:19-23

Pentecost, celebrating when the Holy Spirit was poured out and the Church was born. Let's pray for a fresh Pentecost for each person and each parish in our benefice.

“Breathe on us, Breath of God, fill us with life anew,  
That we may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.”

## Our Shared Worship

### *24th May – Pentecost (Whitsunday)*

8am Holy Communion, St John's, Grove - Rev Alec Gill

9.30am Parish Eucharist, St James', Hanney - Rev Miriam Jones

10am Parish Communion, St James', Denchworth – Rev Geoff Maughan

10.15am Morning Worship, St John's, Grove - Rev Alec Gill

11am Parish Eucharist, St Nicholas', Challow - Rev Miriam Jones

1pm Blessing and Thanksgiving service – St James', Hanney

### *31st May – Trinity Sunday*

8am Holy Communion, St John's, Grove - Rev Miriam Jones

9.30am Parish Eucharist, St James', Hanney - Rev Margot Hodson

10am Holy Communion, St James', Denchworth – Rev Peter Rich

10.15am Holy Communion, St John's, Grove – Rev Miriam Jones

11am Morning Worship, St Nicholas', East Challow:

(With Jeff Penfold & Nick Page)

## BENEFICE MIDWEEK SERVICES

Thursday 28th May: No Holy Communion at St Nicholas', Challow

### PLEASE PRAY FOR...

**Health and healing:** Margaret D, Father Tony Hogg, Shelley S, Mary L, Rev Dick French, Norah L, Rob S, Peter Ch, Pat B, Susanne C, Wendy R, Katherine S, Laura C, Ursula G & Richard H.

**Friends and families mourning:** Pamela Humphries and Veronica (Vera) Aspinall

**All living and working in:** The Kestrels, Curtiss Close, Martin Way, Sentinel Street, St John's Academy Primary School (Grove); School Road, The Croft, Rectory Farm Close (West Hanney)

**For:** The millions made homeless and starving, injured and bereaved, in war zones from Myanmar and Sudan to Lebanon, Gaza and Ukraine. That God's kingdom of peace may come in this world.

**Those** choosing the next Bishop of Oxford

## LECTIONARY READINGS FOR MORNING PRAYER

<b>Mon</b>	Psalms 123,124,125,126	Joshua 1	Luke 9.18-27
<b>Tue</b>	Psalms 132,133	Joshua 2	Luke 9.28-36
<b>Wed</b>	Psalm 119.153-end	Joshua 3	Luke 9.37-50
<b>Thu</b>	Psalms 143,146	Joshua 4.1-5.1	Luke 9.51-end
<b>Fri</b>	Psalms 142,144	Joshua 5.2-end	Luke 10.1-16
<b>Sat</b>	Psalm 147	Joshua 6.1-20	Luke 10.17-24

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