

# Vale Benefice Service Sheet

31st May 2026

Trinity Sunday

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## Our Shared Worship

### *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 –  
Jeff Penfold & Nick Page

### *7th June – 1st Sunday after Trinity*

8am Holy Communion, St John's, Grove - Rev Frances Caroe  
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## BENEFICE MIDWEEK SERVICES

Wednesday 3rd June 10am Holy Communion in St John's Rooms, Grove  
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## PLEASE PRAY FOR...

**Health and healing:** Jeannette Rose, 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:** Michael Hutchings, Pamela Humphries and Veronica (Vera) Aspinall

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**For:** • students returning to sit exams;

• those negotiating peace in the Middle East; an end to violence in Ukraine, Lebanon and Sudan;

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## LECTIONARY READINGS FOR MORNING PRAYER

<b>Mon</b>	<i>Visitation</i>	Psalms 85,150	1 Samuel 2.1-10	Mark 3.31-end
<b>Tue</b>		Psalms 5,6	Joshua 7.16-end	Luke 10.38-end
<b>Wed</b>		Psalm 119.1-32	Joshua 8.1-29	Luke 11.1-13
<b>Thu</b>		Psalms 14,15,16	Joshua 8.30-end	Luke 11.14-28
<b>Fri</b>		Psalms 17,19	Joshua 9.3-26	Luke 11.29-36
<b>Sat</b>		Psalm 20,21,23	Joshua 10.1-15	Luke 11.37-end

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