

Vale Benefice Service Sheet

28th June 2026

4th Sunday after Trinity
St John the Baptist Patronal Festival

Readings selected from:

Isaiah 40.1-11; Psalm 85.7-13; Acts 13.4b-26 or Galatians 3.23-29; Luke 1.57-66,80
As well as celebrating John the Baptist this Sunday it's also "Petertide" when many ordinations take place. Of course it's not only clergy who are entrusted with telling the news of God's kingdom which is both here and yet to come, where "in Christ Jesus we are all children of God through faith... and there is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for we are all one in Christ Jesus". We can all demonstrate and proclaim God's presence in the world and in our lives today.

Our Shared Worship

28th June – Patronal Festival - St John the Baptist

8am Holy Communion, St John's, Grove - Rev Miriam Jones
9.30am **No service**, St James', Hanney
10am **No service**, St James', Denchworth
10.15am **Patronal Festival Communion**, St John's, Grove
With Rev Miriam Jones & Rev Alec Gill
11am **No service**, St Nicholas', East Challow

Upcoming services

5th July – 5th Sunday after Trinity

8am Holy Communion, St John's, Grove - Rev Miriam Jones
9.30am Parish Eucharist, St James', Hanney - Rev Velma Oxley
10am Holy Communion, St James', Denchworth – Rev Alec Gill
10.15am Holy Communion, St John's, Grove – Rev Miriam Jones
11am Holy Communion, St Nicholas', East Challow - Rev Alec Gill

BENEFICE MIDWEEK SERVICES

Wednesday 1st July 10am Holy Communion in St John's Rooms, Grove
Thursday 2nd July 10am Holy Communion at St Nicholas', Challow

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Health and healing: Jeannette R; Kev, Sue and family; 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: Brian Fell, Pamela Humphries and Veronica (Vera) Aspinall

All living in: Rosebay Crescent, Sycamore Walk, Edington Place, Letcombe Walk, Pound Croft, De Vitre Place (Grove); North Denchworth; Dandridge Close (East Hanney)

- For:**
- those being ordained deacon or priest this weekend
 - that there may be real peace in the world's areas of conflict, particularly Lebanon
 - those campaigning for environmental justice in the midst of climate change

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR MORNING PRAYER

Mon <i>SsPeter&Paul</i>	Psalms 71,113	Isaiah 49.1-8	Acts 11.1-18
Tue	Psalm 87,89.1-18	Judges 14	Luke 15.11-end
Wed	Psalm 119.105-128	Judges 15.1-16.3	Luke 3.1-17
Thu	Psalms 90,92	Judges 16.4-end	Luke 16.19-end
Fri <i>St Thomas</i>	Psalms 92,146	2 Ssmuel 15.17-21	John 11.1-16
Sat	Psalms 96,97,100	Judges 18.1-31	Luke 17.11-19

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