

Vale Benefice Service Sheet

26th July, 2nd & 9th August 2026

8th, 9th, 10th Sundays after Trinity

Over the summer we celebrate James, brother of John and one of Jesus' closest disciples. He was the first apostle to be martyred. Both Hanney and Denchworth churches are dedicated to him. We remember Jesus' call, "Come and follow me." He calls us all too. It may cost us.

Our Shared Worship

26th July - James the Apostle - Hanney Patronal Festival

8am Holy Communion, St John's, Grove - Rev Alec Gill
9.30am Festival Eucharist, St James', Hanney - Rev Miriam Jones
10am No service, St James', Denchworth (patronal festival 23rd August)
10.15am No service, St John's, Grove
11am No service, St Nicholas', East Challow

2nd August - 9th Sunday after Trinity

8am Holy Communion, St John's, Grove - Rev Miriam Jones
9.30am Parish Eucharist & Baptism, St James', Hanney - Rev Miriam Jones
10am Parish Communion, St James', Denchworth - Rev Peter Rich
10.15am Holy Communion, St John's, Grove - Rev Geoff Maughan
11am Parish Eucharist, St Nicholas', East Challow - Rev Miriam Jones

9th August - 10th Sunday after Trinity

8am Holy Communion, St John's, Grove - Rev Frances Caroe
9.30am Parish Eucharist, St James', Hanney - Rev Velma Oxley
10am Parish Communion, St James', Denchworth - Rev Alec Gill
10.15am Morning Worship, St John's, Grove - James Mabbett
11am Parish Eucharist, St Nicholas', East Challow - Rev Alec Gill
2.30pm Baptism Service, St James', Denchworth - Rev Roger Williams

Midweek Services

There will be **no** midweek communion services in either Challow or Grove during the August holiday period.

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR MORNING PRAYER

Mon 27th July	Psalms 27,30	1 Samuel 14.24-46	Luke 23.13-25
Tue	Psalms 32,36	1 Samuel 15.1-23	Luke 23.26-43
Wed	Psalms 34	1 Samuel 16	Luke 23.44-56a
Thu	Psalms 37	1 Samuel 17.1-30.	Luke 23.56b-24.12
Fri	Psalms 31	1 Samuel 17.31-54	Luke 24.13-35
Sat	Psalms 41,42,43	1 Samuel 17.55-18.16	Luke 24.36-end
Mon 3rd August	Psalms 44	1 Samuel 19.1-18	Acts 1.1-14
Tue	Psalms 48,52	1 Samuel 20.1-17	Acts 1.15-end
Wed	Psalms 119.57-80	1 Samuel 20.18-end	Acts 2.1-21
Thu Transfiguration	Psalms 27,150	1 Kings 19.1-16	1 John 3.1-3
Fri	Psalms 51,54	1 Samuel 22.6-end	Acts 2.37-end
Sat	Psalms 68	1 Samuel 23	Acts 3.1-10
Mon 10th August	Psalms 71	1 Samuel 24	Acts 3.11-end
Tue	Psalms 73	1 Samuel 26	Acts 4.1-12
Wed	Psalms 77	1 Samuel 28.3-end	Acts 4.13-31
Thu	Psalms 78.1-39	1 Samuel 31	Acts 4.32-5.11
Fri	Psalms 55	2 Samuel 1	Acts 5.12-26
Sat B Virgin Mary	Psalms 98,138,147	Isaiah 7.10-15	Luke 11.27-28

PRAYERS FOR:

Health & healing: Amanda B, 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: Mary Mann, Sheila Hutchings, Brian Fell, Pamela Humphries and Michael Hutchings.

For those being baptised: in the Vale Benefice Churches this August.

For: • the victims, the survivors, the bereaved, the lost and aid workers in disaster zones like Venezuela and war zones like Ukraine and the Middle East
• the danger from wildfires in this country and across Europe
• wisdom and a true striving for justice and peace from world leaders including our new Prime Minister

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