

## Notices

**News from the Team Office** Barbara is sorry to announce that she will be leaving her post as Team Administrator on Wednesday 25th May as she moves to a new administrative/pastoral role in Bruton. She has thoroughly enjoyed her time with the Shaftesbury Team and will miss many of the people she has got to know over the last four years. She thanks you all for your welcome, kindness and support. Please do bear with Donna while a new administrator is appointed, and if you feel you could help with specific tasks in the interim, please contact Donna and offer what you can.

**Quiz Night for Refugees** Come and support the Shaftesbury Refugee Group on Sunday 8th May at 7.00 pm in Motcombe Memorial Hall. A Quiz Night for all with Syrian Supper, bar, raffle and prizes Teams of up to 6 people Please come and enjoy the evening: tickets £15.00 from Motcombe Community Shop of [shaftesburyrefugeegroup@gmail.com](mailto:shaftesburyrefugeegroup@gmail.com)

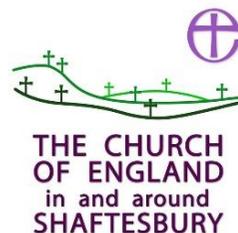
**Thank You** The coffee morning in aid of The Children's Society was enjoyed by many people, who we able to take advantage of the good weather to enjoy the garden. The total raised was £138.42. Thank you to all who supported it.

**Light a Candle for Ukraine** between 12 noon and 12.30pm at St James' Church every Monday until peace comes. All are welcome.

**Defibrillator Training at St James'** Alison Hawthorne is running a refresher course at St James' Church on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> May from 10am until 12 If you are interested in joining, please contact Murray Walker on 01747 822500

**Lunchtime Recitals at St Peter's** A short series of lunchtime cello recitals are taking place in St Peter's Church for market day. Tickets £10 to include sandwiches and coffee and tickets can be booked from the Arts Centre on 01747 854321. So come in at 1pm for beautiful music and light refreshments:  
May 12<sup>th</sup> Kirsten Miller June 9<sup>th</sup> Nicholas Cooper June 30<sup>th</sup> Emily Burridge

**Be Creative** Fancy Starting a new Skill? Starting Saturday 21st May, thereafter on the third Saturday of each month in St. John's Church Hall (top of Church Hill) 10.00am to 12 noon. We are inviting anyone who enjoys knitting, embroidery, quilt making, i.e. various needle work, or would like to start, to come and meet others with the same hobby. Help will be on hand if you are stuck or want to start something new. And then, does anyone remember knitting squares for blankets? Would it be an idea to start knitting together and making up blankets – large and small – for those in need? If you are interested, why not come along to discuss what we can do together on Saturday 21st May.



## Team Pew Sheet

### Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May

### 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

### Readings

*Acts 9.36-43*  
*Revelation 7.9-17*  
*John 10.22-30*  
*Psalm 23*

### Collect

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### Post Communion

Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### FOR YOUR PRAYERS

**For the sick:** for those in our Team parishes; for all residents in our local care and nursing homes and for the staff there who care for them, and for the staff and patients of the Westminster Hospital.

**For those who have died.**

**For our community.**

**For the world:** For all places where there is conflict and in particular for Ukraine, Syria, Iraq, and the Middle East; for peace and concern for all people.

**For our link diocese of Lui** in the Episcopal Church of South Sudan. For their Bishop, Stephen and all who are part of God's church in that place.

**First Reading - Acts 9.36-43**

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, 'Please come to us without delay.' So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, 'Tabitha, get up.' Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

**Second Reading - Revelation 7.9-17**

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, 'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing, 'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.' Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

**Gospel Reading - John 10.22-30**

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.' Jesus answered, 'I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one.'

**Services across the Team next week - 15<sup>th</sup> May**

9.30am	St Peter's	Parish Communion
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11.15am	Compton Abbas	Parish Communion
11.15am	Enmore Green	Morning Worship
6.00pm	Motcombe	Evening Worship

**Team Office is open:**

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 9am - 12 noon & Tuesday: 2.00pm - 5.00pm

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Items for the Pew Sheet should be emailed to the Team Office by 12 noon on Thursday