

## The Meon Bridge Benefice

Corhampton & Meonstoke, Droxford and Exton with Preshaw <a href="http://www.bridgechurches.org.uk/">http://www.bridgechurches.org.uk/</a>



#### Four Beautiful Churches - Three Parishes - One in Christ

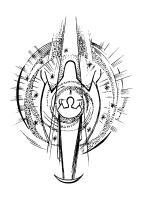
# Meon Bridge Benefice Pew News 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday – 03 Sep 17 – Trinity 12

#### Services this week

First	8.00 am	Droxford	Holy Communion (BCP) Black Book p.229	
Sunday		Readings:	Romans 12.9-end; Matthew 16.21-end	
3Sep17	10.30 am	Meonstoke	Family Communion - (In Booklet)	
Trinity I2 (Proper XVII)		Hymns (HON) Choir	54 At the name of Jesus 367 Jesus, where'er thy people meet 163 Father, Lord of all creation 437 Make me a channel of your peace 541 O thou, who camest from above	
		Readings:	Romans 12.9-end; Matthew 16.21-end	
	6.30 pm	Exton	Evensong: Black Book p.72 Psalm 105.1–15; 2 Kings 6.24–25; 7.3–end; Acts 18.1–16	



Tues 5Sep17	8.30 am	Exton	Morning Prayer	
			Ps 106*; Prv 15: 18-end; Mk 7: 1-13	
Weds 6Sep17	8.30 am	Meonstoke	oke Morning Prayer: Red Book p.	
			Pss 110-112; Prv 18.10-end; Mk 7.14-23	
	5 pm	Droxford	Evening Prayer	
			Ps119:129-152; 2Sam12:1-25; Acts9:1-9a	
Thurs	10 am	Droxford	Holy Communion p.1/ 166;	
7Sep 17	(6 01)		Euch Prayer: E p.30/ 196	
Birth BVM	(from 8 <sup>th</sup> )		Mic 5: 2-4; Rom 8: 28-30; Mat 1: 18-23	







#### **Harvest Festivals**

#### Exton:

3.30 pm, 17th Sept 17 - Harvest Evensong followed by tea

#### Meonstoke:

 $10.30 \ \text{am}, \ I^{\text{st}}$  Oct 17- Family Communion with a talk from Tear Fund followed by delicious treats

#### **Droxford**:

10.30 am, 8th Oct 17 – Family Communion followed by delicious treats





#### Other Events in the Diary:

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4Sep17	6 pm	Choral Evensong	Portsmouth Cathedral
7Sep17	2.30 pm	Funeral of Molly Farnell	St Andrew's, Meonstoke
13Sep17	9.15 am	Churchwardens' Meeting	St Andrew's, Meonstoke
13Sep17	7pm	Festal Eucharist – Holy Cross	St Andrew's, Meonstoke

# NB – this has been listed as I4SepI7 but both the Rector and the Curate have to attend an important meeting on I4Sep at this time.

17Sep17	3.30 pm	Harvest Festival	Ss Peter & Paul, Exton	
		Evensong followed by tea.		
	6.30 pm	Songs of Praise	St Andrew's, Meonstoke	
18Sep17	7.30 pm	PCC (preceded by HC)	St Andrew's, Meonstoke	
19Sep17	7.30 pm	PCC (preceded by HC)	Ss Peter & Paul, Exton	
26Sep17	7.00 pm	PCC (preceded by HC)	St Mary & All Saints, Droxford	
27Sep17	7.00 pm	Archdeaconry Consultation St John the Evangelist, Fareham		
28Sep17	7.00 pm	Soiree on the Bridge St Andrew's, Meonstoke		
IOct17	10.30	Harvest Festival St Andrew's, Meonstoke		
		preacher from Tear Fund		
	14.40	'The FOMS PROMS	The Meon Hall (£5)	
8Oct17	10.30	Harvest Festival	St Mary & All Saints, Droxford	



#### Meon Valley Food Bank - PLEASE HELP

Thank You for all your donations, but stocks of tinned food are falling especially low as more and more people seek the help of the Meon Valley Food Bank. The items needed for the coming week are cereals, soup, tinned fruit, cereal bars and part baked bread. Thank you.

#### For Your Prayers

In the morning: the day and its tasks; the world and its needs; the Church and her life. In the evening: peace; individuals and their needs.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Bishop, Christopher Foster, and all those listed in the Daily Prayer Guide (https://www.portsmouth.anglican.org/news-and-events/prayer-diary).

We pray for those going on holiday, for their rest, recuperation and re-*creation*, and their safe return. For those going to new schools, colleges or universities in the weeks ahead. For the upcoming academic year and for our celebration of Education Sunday (17<sup>th</sup> September in the Droxford Informal Service at 10 am).

For the next phase of our LyCiG process and for our growth as a Benefice in spiritual depth and theological understanding, growth in our servanthood to the community and beyond, and growth in numbers and for our planning.

We continue to pray for those preparing for baptism, including Will Channon, Riley Channon, Chris Pike and Alec Pike, baptised last week, and those contemplating confirmation.

We pray for our Christian brothers and sisters in Ghana, especially in the Diocese of Wiaswo in western Ghana and linked to our deanery.

We pray for our local Street Pastors on the streets of Portsmouth.

For the recently married: Grant Woolner & Clemency Pepys; William Easterbrook & Bridget Miles; Ian Whitear & Linda Creese; Joseph Dewhurst & Jessica Weeks; Tom Fleming & Charlotte Symes; and for those to be married in September: Chris Savory & Olivia Curtis; and, all those preparing for marriage later this year, including Joseph Leonard & Emily Harris. We pray for the newly born babies and for their parents.

For all those grieving and in any kind of sickness or need, including those in hospital or nursing homes, awaiting test results or treatment, and all those limited by degenerative conditions of all kinds.

We pray for all people displaced from their homes and all those caught up in disasters, violence, warfare terrorist action.

We pray for the recently departed, including Dick Mainwaring and Molly Farnell, and for all those whom we love but see no longer; and, those in the Year's Mind. Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord, and light perpetual shine upon them. May the rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen.

#### **CONTACT DETAILS**

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#### Worship Update

**Morning & Evening Prayer:** In addition to our short Wednesday morning service of prayer on Wednesdays at Meonstoke, we are proposing to gather at Exton at 8.30 am on Tuesdays and at Droxford at 5 pm on Wednesdays. Do join us for about 30 minutes of readings and prayer.

#### **Autumn Changes to Evening Services**

The evening services at Corhampton and Meonstoke on the second and third Sundays of the month have been under review since last January and following the review of attendance and also what people have told us through the LyCiG consultations, we have decided to try a few new things on a trial basis from September to December. We plan to keep most things but adjust the frequency and introduce a new service of a reflective character ('Reflections') and a joyous service praise through song (Songs of Praise).

The service of Evensong at Exton on the first Sunday remains unaffected, although the PCC have moved the Harvest Festival from the first Sunday in September to the third by popular request.

Month	Date	Sunday	Time	Service	Location
September	3 <sup>rd</sup>	1st Sunday	6.30 pm	Evensong	Exton
	I Oth	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	6.30 pm	Evensong	Corhampton
	17 <sup>th</sup>	3rd Sunday	3.30 pm	Harvest Evensong	Exton
	I7 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	6.30 pm	Songs of Praise	Meonstoke
October	st	1st Sunday	6.30 pm	Evensong	Exton
	8 <sup>th</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	6.30 pm	'Reflections'	Corhampton
	15 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	6.30 pm	Taizé	Meonstoke
November	5 <sup>th</sup>	1st Sunday	6.30 pm	'All Souls' Evensong	Exton
	12 <sup>th</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	3.30 pm	Village Remembrance	Exton
	I2 <sup>th</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	6.30 pm	Remembrance Evensong	Corhampton
	19 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	No evening service		•
December	3 <sup>rd</sup>	1st Sunday	3.30 pm	Evensong	Exton
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Ist Sunday	6.30 pm	Advent Carols	Droxford
	I O <sup>th</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	3.30 pm	Evensong with Carols	Corhampton

Christmas Services will have their own special pattern as always.

#### A Date for Your Diary

Annual Archdeaconry Consultation: LIVE | PRAY | SERVE

### 7pm, Wednesday 27th September

St John the Evangelist, Fareham (PO14 IDN).

Portsmouth Diocese has a blueprint to guide us in the future and it can be summed up in just three words:

### LIVE | PRAY | SERVE.

LIVE | PRAY | SERVE will be our motto as we seek to equip people to **live** as disciples of Christ; to **pray**, individually and together as worshipping communities; and to **serve** our local neighbourhoods and society together.

The Diocese is hosting a consultation with all the parishes of the Meon Archdeaconry. Providing us with a good opportunity to explore how we can respond to:

LIVE | PRAY | SERVE.

All members of our PCCs and all mission-minded parishioners are encouraged to attend and hear about, and to discuss and explore all about

#### LIVE PRAY SERVE.

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10Sep17	10.30 am	Droxford	Holy Communion (CW); Black Book p.166; EP: B p.188
Trinity I3 (Proper XVIII)		Hymns (AMNS)	263: Lord, enthroned 178: Thy kingdom come: 262: Alleluia, sing to Jesus 261: Once, only once 198: Ye holy angels bright
		Readings:	Romans 13.8-end; Matthew 18.15-20
	6.30 pm	Corhampton	Evensong: Black Book p.72 Ps 108; Ez 12.21—13.16; Acts 19.1–20



Tues 12Sep17	8.30 am	Exton	Morning Prayer Pss 123, 124, 125, 126; Prov 25.1–14 Mark 8.11–21
Weds 13Sep17	8.30 am	Meonstoke John Chrysostom, Ps 119.153–end; Prov 26.12–end; Mark 8.27––9.1	
	5 pm	Droxford	Evening Prayer Ps 136; 2 Sam 19.8b–23; Acts 11.19–end
	7 pm	Meonstoke Holy Cross from 14Sep17	Festal Eucharist  716 We have a gospel to proclaim 644 The head that once was crowned with thorns 394 Lift high the cross 626 Take up thy cross 382 Let all the world Num 21.4–9; Phil 2.6–11; John 3.13–17
Thurs 14Sep17 Holy Cross	I0 am	Droxford	Holy Communion p.1/ 166; Euch Prayer: E p.30/ 196 Num 21.4–9; Phil 2.6–11; John 3.13–17



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