



Meon Bridge Benefice Pew Sheet

9th September - Benefice Notices

Droxford Patronal Festival

10.30 am Sunday 9th September 2018
St Mary & All Saints, Droxford



St Mary is born to Joachim and Anna

ALL WELCOME

Please Stay for Refreshments

Holy Cross Day – Festal Eucharist

Thursday 13th September 2018

7pm Corhampton Church



ALL WELCOME

Midweek Services – All Welcome

Tuesdays	8.30 am	Exton	Morning Prayer
Wednesdays	8.30 am	Meonstoke	Morning Prayer
	5.00 pm	Droxford	Evening Prayer
Thursdays	10 am	Droxford	An especially friendly and relaxed mid-week Communion Service

Meon Valley Food Bank - PLEASE HELP



Thank You so much for all your kind donations but stocks remain low, so all donations will be very gratefully received.

The ongoing benefit changes and the lack of free school meals in the long summer holiday mean the number of people turning to the MVFB for help continues to rise. Please donate! The items needed for the coming week are snack bars, porridge oats, tinned meat meals, UHT Long-life milk, and tinned fruit.

Follow MVFB on twitter @MeonValleyFB or at www.meonvalleyfoodbank.co.uk.

2nd Sunday – 9th September – Trinity 15 & Birth of BVM

Second Sunday 09Sep18	8.00 am Trinity 15	Meonstoke Readings:	Holy Communion (BCP), p.229 <u>Isaiah 35.4-7a; Mark 7.24-37</u>
	10.30 am (BVM)	Droxford Readings:	Holy Communion (CW); Black Book p.166; EP: B p.188 I Cor 4: 6-15; Luke 6: 1-5
	6.30 pm (BVM)	Corhampton	Evensong: Black Book p.72 Ps 24; Zech 9: 1-12; Mark 10: 46-end



Tues 11Sep18	8.30 am	Exton	Morning Prayer - Red Book p.137 Ps36; 1Kings 8.63-9.9; Acts 16.25-end
Wed 12Sep18	8.30 am	Meonstoke	Morning Prayer- Red Book p.149 Ps34; 1Kings 10.1-25; Acts 17.1-15
	5.00 pm	Droxford	Evening Prayer - Red Book p. 155 Ps 119.33-56; Zech 12.1-10; Mk11.27-end
Thurs 13Sep18 Holy Cross	10 am	Droxford	Holy Communion p.1/ 166; Euch Prayer: E p.30/ 196 Phil 2: 6-11; John 3: 13-17
	7 pm	Corhampton Hymns (AMNS)	Festal Eucharist 117 Praise to the holiest 67 When I survey the wondrous Cross 72 Lift high the Cross (omit 3-7) 237 Take up thy Cross Phil 2: 6-11; John 3: 13-17

NEXT WEEK: 3rd Sunday – 16th September – Trinity 16

Third Sunday 16Sep18 Trinity 16 (Proper) XIX	8.00 am	Exton	Holy Communion (BCP) Black Book p.229 Readings: James 3: 1-12; Mark 8: 27-end
	9.45 am	Droxford	Informal Service: Education Sunday
	10.30 am	Corhampton	Mattins (BCP); Black Book p.62; Ps 116:1-8 4 Christ, whose glory fills the skies 343 Be thou my vision 217 Be thou my guardian and my guide 221 Stand up, stand up for Jesus Readings: Isa 50;4-9a; Mark 8: 27- end



EDUCATION SUNDAY

2018: Faith and Works



16Sep18 Harvest	3.30 pm	Exton Hymns (AMNS)	Traditional Harvest Evensong 289 Come, ye thankful people come 370 God, whose farm is all creation 288 Praise, O praise our God and King 290 We plough the fields and scatter Ps126; Joel 2: 21-27; 1Tim2: 1-7
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THE AUSTRIAN TYROL & OBERAMMERGAU

with St Nicholas' Church, Wickham

Led by the Rev'd Jane Isaac

with Canon David Isaac and the Rev'd Tony Forrest

2 - 9 September 2020

A highlight of the St Nicholas 900 programme and Corhampton Church, celebration of its 1000th anniversary will be an 8-day holiday in the Austrian Tyrol, combined with a visit to the world-renowned Oberammergau Passion Play, held every 10 years.

The play portrays the Passion of Christ from the entry into Jerusalem to the Resurrection. Preparations are already underway in Oberammergau village for the 2020 play, when more than 2,000 villagers are expected to be involved in the performances.

Organised by McCabe Pilgrimages, our tour will include: a tour of the Oetztal Valley in the Tyrol; the Passion Play and time in Oberammergau village; a visit to Ettal Monastery; a visit to Innsbruck and Stams Abbey; a walk along part of the Jacobsweg, which ultimately leads to Santiago de Compostela in Spain; a Tyrolean evening at the hotel; and a day in Imst.

McCabe will provide us with plenty of ideas for each day before we travel.



The Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary

On 8th September many churches across the world, Orthodox, Catholic and Anglican, keep the feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary, fulfilling the scripture that says “All generations will call me blessed”, remembering the one who bore our saviour for us, who was full of grace. It is true that some Christians have bitterly disagreed with each other about her, but equally, in every age and every denomination she has been, for many Christians, a sign of hope, an example of prayer, devotion and service, and an inspiration.

Theotokos by *Malcolm Guite*

You bore for me the One who came to bless
And bear for all and make the broken whole.
You heard His call and in your open ‘yes’
You spoke aloud for every living soul.
Oh gracious Lady, child of your own child,
Whose mother-love still calls the child in me,
Call me again, for I am lost, and wild
Waves surround me now. On this dark sea
Shine as a star and call me to the shore.
Open the door that all my sins would close
And hold me in your garden. Let me share
The prayer that folds the petals of the Rose.
Enfold me too in Love’s last mystery
And bring me to the One you bore for me.

(<https://malcolmguite.wordpress.com/2016/09/08/a-quartet-for-mary-2/>)

Holy Cross Day, being originally commemorated the day when Helena (Mother of Constantine) was believed to have found the true cross, astonishing the inhabitants of Jerusalem by searching the rubbish tip of Golgotha and, on unearthing this discarded sign of shame, exalting it as the greatest treasure on earth. But this festival has become since then a day when any of us can again find the cross, still a discarded sign of shame, and find in it the greatest treasure and the source of grace.

Prayers

In the morning, we pray for the day and its tasks; the world and its needs; and, in the evening for peace; individuals and their needs.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Bishop, Christopher Foster and our archdeacon, Gavin Collins. Please see (<https://www.portsmouth.anglican.org/news-and-events/prayer-diary>).

We pray for the wider community of Droxford and for all schools, hospitals and other churches dedicated to St Mary around the Festival of St Mary.

We continue to pray for children and students starting or returning to school, college or university and the staff at all those institutions. For the home-schooled.

We pray for our foresters, farmers and all those associated with agriculture in the area; and for all those who process food for us. For those who provide food-aid at home and abroad.

We pray for our Christian brothers and sisters in Ghana, especially in the Diocese of Wiaswo in western Ghana and linked to our deanery, and for our brothers and sisters in the Deanery of Hackney and our deanery link. We pray for our local Street Pastors on the streets of Portsmouth.

For those married recently: Mark and Ana Sofia Jones; Hugh and Charlotte Frere-Cook; Garry and Karen Sewell; Sophie & Charlie Slater; Scott & Victoria Rumble; Vanessa & Steve Simmonds; Ian & Anna Compton; Simon & Catherine Tanner; and David & Jenny Jones.

For those recently baptised (Athena-Mae Kennedy; Evelyn Kennedy; Freddie Horn; Tulula-Mae and Cheyenne Smith; and, Thomas Kirtley) and those preparing for baptism (Max Grey; Olive Cantan; Jasper Ellis; Jarrah Diment; and, their families).

For those suffering the pain of separation and the breakdown of a relationship.

For those recovering from operations or undergoing treatment or who are unwell in mind, body or spirit, including Rosemary Denham, Tony Farnell and James Whitehead and all those with long-term or degenerative conditions. For all those who grieve, especially for a child; For the recently departed and all in the year’s mind.

News update: Droxford Church Buildings

Following an archaeological survey and many other checks and balances, the Chancellor of the Diocese of Portsmouth has confirmed that work may begin on the construction of the extension to include toilets, an office and a kitchen to support the setting up of the community room in the north chapel. Watch this space for more details! The redecoration of the Neville Lovett Chapel (Lady Chapel) is now complete and work will begin on the North Chapel ceiling later this month after minor roof repairs.

Preliminary groundworks have begun in readiness for the extension to the north of the church. The piles, ready for the base of the building are being put in place in place at the moment.

Advance Notice of some dates to put in your diaries:

Holy Cross Festal Eucharist: Corhampton 7.00 pm Thursday, 13th September

Macmillan's World's Biggest Coffee Morning, 28 September, Meon Hall 9.30 -12.00

Concert: The Speranza **String Quartet:** Droxford Church 6 pm on 16th September

Quartets by Beethoven and Schubert. In aid of Droxford Church.

Soirées on the Bridge: Wednesday 10th October, **Wednesday** 14th November & **Sunday** 9th December

Harvest celebrations 2018:

Exton

BCP Evensong, 3.30 pm 16th September followed by tea

Family Harvest Service then Communion, 10.30 am 23rd September

Meonstoke

Family Harvest Communion, 10.30 am 7th October followed by lunch

Droxford

Village Harvest Supper 13th October -please see *The Bridge* for details

Family Harvest Communion, 10.30 am 14th October followed by bring and share

Meonstoke **Churchyard Clear-Up** - Saturday 13th October

Meonstoke & Corhampton and Exton **Church Fete** - Saturday 7th July 2019

Core Agenda Item	Corhampton & Meonstoke	Exton	Droxford
<i>Corhampton 2020</i>	Tues 11 Sep 18		
Combined Standing Committees (including Stewardship strategy)	Wed 12 Sep 18 (7.30 – 9 pm; HC 7.10) Meonstoke		
PCC Mission; Advent and Christmas	Wed 30 Oct 18 (7.30; HC 7.10)	Tues 16 Oct 18 (7.30; HC 7.10)	Tues 20 Oct 18 (7.00; HC 6.40)

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