



The Meon Bridge Benefice
Corhampton & Meonstoke, Droxford
and Exton with Preshaw
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Four Beautiful Churches - Three Parishes – One in Christ

Meon Bridge Benefice Pew Sheet

The Epiphany - 3rd January 2021

God bless and a Joyous, Blessed and Peaceful Christmas Season
& Happy New Year to you and yours.

Praying for an end to the Pandemic and your good health

The wearing of face coverings in church is mandatory

Streamed services for the remainder of January

10th Baptism of Christ	10.30 am	Streamed	Holy Communion (CW)
17th Epiphany 2	10.30 am	Streamed	HOLY COMMUNION (BCP)
24th Epiphany 3 (Prayer for Christian Unity)	10.30 am	Streamed	Holy Communion (CW)
31st Candlemas	10.30 am	Streamed (& subject to review gathered at Meonstoke)	Festal Holy Communion (CW)

The Thursday Eucharist at Droxford is under review.

The Wilfrid Café (Droxford) is **currently Closed**



SUSPENSION GATHERED SERVICES and CHURCH CLOSURE

We are keeping our gathered services under review in the light of the recent assessments of national and local risk to our health and well-being in the face of the Pandemic. Gathered worship is temporarily suspended and the churches are closed.

PLEASE check the Website, Facebook and notices for the latest situation

Following the announcement placing us into Tier 4, all gathered services are under review and new ways of reaching the parishes more widely are being explored. The full list of restrictions for Tier 4 areas can be found here: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/tier-4-stay-at-home>

The government is advising that people do not travel between tiers, unless it is essential.

Mon day	The village of Corhampton.
	Medical and Social Care workers
	The media and the arts; Farming and fishing; Commerce and industry; Those whose work is unfulfilling, stressful or fraught with danger; All who are unemployed
Tues day	The village of Droxford
	Education and Childcare workers and those in essential public services. Our local schools.
	All who are sick in body, mind or spirit; Those in the midst of famine or disaster; Victims of abuse and violence, intolerance and prejudice; Those who are bereaved; All who work in the medical and healing professions
Wed nes day	The village of Exton
	Those who provide and deliver food other necessary goods
	The social services; All who work in the criminal justice system; Victims and perpetrators of crime; The work of aid agencies throughout the world; Those living in poverty or under oppression

Thurs day	The Village of Meonstoke
	Local and national government and government agencies ours councillors and MPs. Those who serve to secure public safety and national security
	Local government, community leaders; All who provide local services; Those who work with young or elderly people; Schools, colleges and universities; Emergency and rescue organizations
Fri day	The villages of Hambledon, Newtown and Soberton.
	Transport workers
	The Queen, members of parliament and the; Peace and justice in the world; Those who work for reconciliation; All whose lives are devastated by war and civil unrest; Prisoners, refugees and homeless people
Satur day	The people at Preshaw, those who live in outlying parts of our benefices, and all our local farms and businesses. All those connected with the Meon Bridge Benefice but live beyond it.
	Utilities, communication and financial services
	Our homes, families, friends and all whom we love; Those whose time is spent caring for others; Those who are close to death; Those who have lost hope; The worship of the Church

Mornings:	The day and its tasks; the world and its needs.
Evenings	Peace; individuals and their needs.
Every Day	All the key workers who live in or serve the communities of Corhampton, Droxford, Exton, Hambledon, Meonstoke, Newtown & Soberton
Epiphany	The unity of the Church; The peace of the world; The healing of the sick; The revelation of Christ to those from whom his glory is hidden; All who travel.
International:	Victims of persecution, including Christians targeted by ISIS. All those who are trafficked, especially children and young people and those who work to prevent trafficking and abuse.
National:	HM Government and Parliament; The victims of floods and farmers trying to cope. Farmers, fishermen and women, and hauliers. The Children's Society & other children's charities. The homeless and unemployed and those whose health or well-being is suffering due to the economic, social or health impact of the pandemic.
The Diocese:	Bishop, Christopher Foster, Archdeacon, Gavin Collins (Bishop of Dorchester elect), and Area Dean David Isaac.
The Deanery:	The Deanery team; Our brothers and sisters in the Diocese of Wiaswo, Ghana and in the Deanery of Hackney. Our brethren at Our Lady of the Apostles RC and the URC/ Methodist churches (Bishops Waltham)

The Benefice:	Deepening our faith, seeking to serve, growing for God and welcoming to all. Mission & community engagement through Corhampton 2021. In thanksgiving for new children and grandchildren born and for the recovery to good health for those who have been ill.
The Year's Mind	Peter Turner (2017); Alan Hibbert (2018); David Henley, Priest (2018); Vera Burrows (2018). Marion Jack (2016); Heather Buxton (2018); Sheila Willoughby (2018); David Thomas (2019); Alan Frederick Jones (2020)

Those Keeping us Going

Thank you too to all those who clean the churches, arrange flowers, maintain, mow, trim and tidy our churchyards and Church Green, look after buildings or people, read or lead prayer – THANK YOU ALL.



Meon Valley Food Bank - PLEASE HELP

Thank you all very much for your kind donations. The items that we require this week are:- Part baked bread; UHT Milk semi skimmed and whole; Tinned meat pies

Tinned cold meats, such as ham, corned beef, and spam; Tinned fish; Tinned fruit; Tinned Rice pudding; angel delight/jelly; cleaning products and washing detergent tablets or pods.

They currently have plenty of pasta, baked beans, soup, and tinned tomatoes. Thank you. Follow MVFB on twitter @MeonValleyFB or at www.meonvalleyfoodbank.co.uk.

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