



Meon Bridge Benefice Pew News
25th July – St James the Apostle
 8th Sunday after Trinity (Proper 12)

4	25 Jul St James the Apostle	8 am	Corhampton	Holy Communion (BCP)
		9.30 am	Meonstoke	Informal All-Age
		10.30 am	Exton	Eucharist (CW)
	Thu 29 Jul (Mary, Martha & Lazarus)	10 am	Droxford	Said Holy Communion (CW)

THANK YOU to EVERYONE INVOLVED

in the CHURCH FETE on Saturday 3rd July.

Thank you for all the planning and organising,
 for all the contributions

and to everyone who came and made it such a wonderful community
 event which raised such an excellent amount for the churches.

Thank you and congratulations to the newly re-elected Church
 Wardens and the new and continuing members of the PCCs.

Meon Valley Foodbank - 07956 375447

Wickham Centre, Mill Lane Wickham PO17 5AL

www.meonvalleyfoodbank.co.uk - Twitter @MeonValleyFB

Registered Charity in England and Wales 1190417

The MVFB thank you for your continued support. They have completed
 their move to The Wickham Centre. It is open on Mondays between
 10 and 12 and other local locations for food donations. (see our
 website 'News')

The following items are desperately required i.e. we have no or very
 low stock: Tinned and instant potatoes; Tinned Fruit; Tinned meat
 meals all types; Fruit squash; Coffee; multipack crisps; Savoury
 crackers/biscuits; Washing detergent capsules or tablets;
 Toothbrushes; Deodorant

THANK YOU for your continued support. **PLEASE** give
 generously.

Vacancies

Some key posts are still to be filled. Can you serve?

- Churchwarden(s) for Droxford – see inside
- Treasurer (from within or outside the PCC) for Corhampton & Meonstoke
- Clerk or Secretary to the PCCs (this might be 1, 2 or 3 people)
- Deanery Synod representatives – all three parishes

THE PARISH OF ST MARY & ALL SAINTS, DROXFORD

RE-OPENING OF

THE MEETING OF PARISHIONERS (VESTRY MEETING) & THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING (APCM) 2021

10.00 Saturday, 31st July 2021

Droxford Church

All the forms are available in the church.

They, and other useful material, can be found on-line at

<https://www.bridgechurches.org.uk/annual-parochial-meetings>

Supporting your Churches

Do you know anyone who could be the clerk or secretary to the PCCs,

or a treasurer for Corhampton & Meonstoke,

or a Church Warden at Droxford, or an honorary Assistant Churchwarden in either of the other two parishes

or who could represent your parish at our local deanery synod?

Could it even be you?

If the answer might be 'yes' to any of these, please speak to the Rector (0189 877422) for an informal chat.

Updates:

Direct to your inbox:

To sign up for occasional electronic newsletters, please email Angela Peagram (angela@angelapeagram.co.uk) and she will add you to our distribution list. You can opt out at any time.



Christian Aid exists to create a world where everyone can live a full life, free from poverty. Please give on-line at: <https://envelope.christianaid.org.uk/envelope/meon-bridge-benefice>. The E-Envelope is available until mid-August.

BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER (BCP) [8 AM]

The Collect for St James

Grant, O merciful God, that as thine holy Apostle Saint James, leaving his father and all that he had, without delay was obedient unto the calling of thy Son Jesus Christ, and followed him; so we, forsaking all worldly and carnal affections, may be evermore ready to follow thy holy commandments; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Collect for this week (Trinity 8)

O almighty Lord and everlasting God, vouchsafe, we beseech thee, to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of thy laws and in the works of thy commandments, that through thy most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

For the Epistle: Acts 11.27-12.3

In those days came prophets from Jerusalem unto Antioch. And there stood up one of them named Agabus, and signified by the Spirit, that there should be great dearth throughout all the world; which came to pass in the days of Claudius Caesar. Then the disciples, every man according to his ability, determined to send relief unto the brethren which dwelt in Judaea: which also they did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul. Now about that time Herod the king stretched forth his hands to vex certain of the Church. And he killed James the brother of John with the sword. And because he saw it pleased the Jews, he proceeded further to take Peter also.

The Gospel: Matthew 20.20-28

Then came to him the mother of Zebedee's children with her sons, worshipping him, and desiring a certain thing of him. And he said unto her, What wilt thou? She saith unto him, Grant that these my two sons may sit, the one on thy right hand, and the other on the left, in thy kingdom. But Jesus answered and said, Ye know not what ye ask. Are ye able to drink of the cup that I shall drink of, and to be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with? They say unto him, We are able. And he saith unto them, Ye shall drink indeed of my cup, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with: but to sit on my

right hand, and on my left, is not mine to give; but it shall be given to them for whom it is prepared of my Father. And when the ten heard it, they were moved with indignation against the two brethren. But Jesus called them unto him, and said, Ye know that the princes of the Gentiles exercise dominion over them, and they that are great exercise authority upon them. But it shall not be so among you: but whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister; and whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant: even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.

COMMON WORSHIP ORDER I (CW)

The Collect for St James

Merciful God, whose holy apostle Saint James, leaving his father and all that he had, was obedient to the calling of your Son Jesus Christ and followed him even to death:

help us, forsaking the false attractions of the world, to be ready at all times to answer your call without delay;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

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we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern
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in the ways of your laws

and the works of your commandments;

that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever,

we may be preserved in body and soul;

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in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Reading: Acts 11.27-12.2

²⁷At that time prophets came down from Jerusalem to Antioch. ²⁸One of them named Agabus stood up and predicted by the Spirit that there would be a severe famine over all the world; and this took place during the reign of Claudius. ²⁹The disciples determined that according to

their ability, each would send relief to the believers living in Judea; ³⁰this they did, sending it to the elders by Barnabas and Saul.

¹About that time King Herod laid violent hands upon some who belonged to the church. ²He had James, the brother of John, killed with the sword.

Gospel Reading: *Matthew 20.20-28*

²⁰The mother of the sons of Zebedee came to him with her sons, and kneeling before him, she asked a favour of him. ²¹And he said to her, 'What do you want?' She said to him, 'Declare that these two sons of mine will sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your kingdom.' ²²But Jesus answered, 'You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I am about to drink?' They said to him, 'We are able.' ²³He said to them, 'You will indeed drink my cup, but to sit at my right hand and at my left, this is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared by my Father.'

²⁴When the ten heard it, they were angry with the two brothers. ²⁵But Jesus called them to him and said, 'You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. ²⁶It will not be so among you; but whoever wishes to be great among you must be your servant, ²⁷and whoever wishes to be first among you must be your slave; ²⁸just as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.'

Post-Communion Prayer

Almighty God,
who on the day of Pentecost
sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles
with the wind from heaven and in tongues of flame,
filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel:
by the power of the same Spirit
strengthen us to witness to your truth
and to draw everyone to the fire of your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Prayers

For each day and its tasks; the world and its needs, inc. the pandemic, wildfires and floods

The Church and her life including the Vacancy in See Committee; for Bishop Rob, our Commissary, Will, our acting archdeacon, David, our area Dean; for our neighbours in the deanery, for our Christian brothers and sisters at the Methodist church in Waltham Chase and Methodist and Reformed Church, the King's Church and Our Lady of the Apostles RC Church in Bishops Waltham; and for our PCCs, clergy, lay ministers and people of all the villages in the Benefice and the filling of the key lay posts in the Benefice.

For peace and justice

For individuals: and among them our local businesses and our farmers; the sick, needy and those grieving.

Please pray too for:

Our local schools, the staff, pupils and students.

On the Feast of St James, we pray for the parishes of Emsworth and Milton in this diocese, and for all churches dedicated to St James, for hospitals dedicated to him, including the patients and staff at St James' Hospital, Portsmouth; for all our friends and relatives named James, not least James Matthissen who does so much to help others in the Benefice; and for pilgrims especially those walking now on the *Camino* itself or on one of the many 'tributaries' in many lands that join it and lead to Santiago de Compostela.

The newly baptised: Matthew, Heston and Adriayna. **For those, in 2021, Preparing for Baptism:**, Padric, Sonny, Maisie Jean, and Hector and for **Marriage and blessings:** James Bowker & Kate Paddock; Jack Tosdevine & Abigail Creighton; Liam Aspinall & Beth Medway; Cameron Bengé & Nita Janjeva; Lance Madgwick & Lydia Kempster; Alistair Jones & Bethany Blackman.

For each day and its tasks; the world and its needs, inc. wildfires and floods; **the Church and her life; for peace and justice; individuals: the sick, needy and those grieving.**

RIP:

Margaret White (Funeral 6Aug21),

Reginald Daniels (Funeral 4Aug21),

Capt Jeremy Dreyer (Funeral 30Jul21),

Eric Smith, Andrew Spreadbury; Elizabeth Ridge; Angus Buchanan;

Anne Wilkinson; Roger Nichols.

Please pray for the families and friends of all those departed this life.

Ministering to those around us.

Let us work to be dementia friendly and ever aware of the needs of all around us

O dear Lord, hear my prayer,

And show me that you really care,

Trouble is I can't remember,

All my prayers for you to tender,

Will this matter, on the day,

When we meet,

what will you say?

If I didn't have dementia

I would recall my holy Venture,

If I don't pray, from time to time,

Remember that my minds not mine,

Please forgive me, as you know,

No matter what, I love you so.

Norman Mc Namara

God of our past, present and
future, When memory slips and
fades, when faces, events, and
the rush of life threaten to
overwhelm us, be our still
centre.

*Hear my cry, O God, listen to my
prayer; from the end of the earth I
call to you, when my heart is faint.
(Psalm 62:1&2)*

In caring, when we are unsure
what to do, when we are at full
stretch and beyond, help us to
cross the bridge from facts to
feelings, from head to heart, to
meet one another with love.

Hear my cry, O God, ...

Dementia affects people in different ways, depending on the type of dementia. The impact can be physical, emotional and psychological, and can also profoundly change the practicalities of everyday life.

(www.dementiauk.org/understanding-dementia). Please pray for the sufferers of all degenerative conditions and for their families and carers.

CONTACT DETAILS

RECTOR: Fr Tony Forrest (01489) 877422

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usual rest day is Monday.

Assistant Priest: The Rev'd Canon Anthony Hulbert 878289

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CHURCH WARDENS

DROXFORD: *position vacant*

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Planned services (always check website or latest Pew Sheet to make sure)

AUGUST				
1	1st August 2021 8th Sunday after Trinity (Proper 13)	8 am	Droxford	Holy Communion (BCP)
		10.30 am	Meonstoke	Sung Eucharist (CW)
	Thursday, 5th August (Transfiguration)	10 am	Droxford	Said Holy Communion (CW)
2	8th August 10th Sunday after Trinity	8 am	Meonstoke	Holy Communion (BCP)
		10.30 am	Droxford	Sung Eucharist (CW)
	Thursday, 12th August	10 am	Droxford	Said Holy Communion (CW)
			Exton	Baptism
	Sat 14 Aug		Meonstoke	Baptism
3	15th August The Blessed Virgin Mary	9 am	Exton	Holy Communion (BCP)
		10.30 am	Corhampton	Holy Communion (VW)
	Thursday, 19th August	10 am	Droxford	Said Holy Communion (CW)
	Saturday, 21st August	2 pm	Droxford	Thanksgiving service for Jean Newman & Baptism of Maisie Jean
4	22nd August 12th Sunday after Trinity (Proper 16)	8 am	Corhampton	Holy Communion (BCP)
		10.30 am	Exton	Sung Eucharist (CW)
	Thursday, 26th August	10 am	Droxford	Said Holy Communion (CW)
	Saturday, 28th August		Meonstoke	Wedding Blessing
5	29th August 13th Sunday after Trinity (Proper 17)	9 am	Exton	Holy Communion (BCP)
		10.30 am	Corhampton	Family Harvest Service + optional informal HC
			Meonstoke	Wedding