

## Getting in touch with us:

The church office is not staffed regularly apart from on Mondays. If you have a claim for expenses or a bill that the Church should pay, please make sure it is left in the church office, hand it to the Treasurer or send via email to [finance@stjohnschurchcarterton.org.uk](mailto:finance@stjohnschurchcarterton.org.uk)  
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If you need to swap a rota duty or have arranged this yourself, please can you let Linda Wooloff know

ROTAS	7 June Communion	14 June Informal	21 June Communion	28 June Morning Worship	5 July Communion
Welcoming, Bell Ringer & Sidespersons	Brian & Sarah Hosgood	Volunteers please	Miriam Knight Volunteer please	Allister & Karen Holt	Brian & Sarah Hosgood
Readings	Janet Sayer Ian Harley	YCM	Sharon Harley Brian Hosgood	Margo Brewer Alison Brown	Ian Harley Janet Sayer
Leading Prayers	Allister Holt	YCM	Rev Barry	Allister Holt	Rev Barry
Chalice	Lyndsay Baker Linda Wooloff		Ian Baker Wend Smith		Alison Brown Linda Wooloff
Refreshments	Sharon & Ian Harley	Tash Beckerson John Wallcraft	Stephen Hester Karen Holt	Carol Fothergill Volunteer please	Alison Brown Sharon Harley

*Our vision is to be a growing church, rooted in Christ, that reaches out with love and service to the whole community.*



The Church of St John the Evangelist

June 2026

Welcome to worship



We broadcast Sunday services online see our website for the link to YouTube

### Our Services

#### 7 June – Trinity 1

10.30am: Holy Communion

*Hosea 5:15-6:6: Repentance and impenitence.*

*Matthew 9:18-26: A girl restored to life and a woman healed.*

#### 14 June – Trinity 2

10.30am: Informal Service

*Romans 5:1-10: Results of Justification*

*Matthew 9:35-10:8 The harvest and few labourers; the apostles and their mission*

#### 21 June - Trinity 3

10.30am: Holy Communion

*Romans 6:1-10: Dying and rising with Christ.*

*Matthew 10:26-39: Whom to fear, not peace but a sword.*

#### 28 June – Trinity 4

10.30am: Morning Worship

*Romans 6:12-end: Sin and slaves of righteousness.*

*Matthew 10:40-42: Rewards.*

#### 5 July – Trinity 5

10.30am: Holy Communion

*Zechariah 9:9-12: The coming ruler of God's people.*

*Matthew 11:16-19; 25-30: Jesus praises John the Baptist and thanks his Father.*

Mid-week Holy Communion service

Thursday morning @ 10.30am

You can now donate towards the work of St John's via the above QR code

### Let's Pray

Prayer is our lifeline to God, and a powerful spiritual weapon. The scriptures encourage us to pray without ceasing and in all situations. We have several prayer opportunities available:

**Blank prayer cards** and pens so you can write your prayers and pin them to the prayer board. We also have a specially trained and recruited **prayer ministry team** available to pray with you at the end of the Sunday morning service. Prayer requests are regularly prayed by the prayer & ministry team. Members of the **ministry team** are also available to meet with you to listen and to pray. If you would like some help with your own personal prayer life please speak to Lyndsay, 07783 650 793

### Regular Events for Children & Families in term time only (\*)

#### Monday TnT After School Club\*

3.15pm-4.15pm; Kids Club\*

Wednesdays 4.00-5.00pm (ages 5-10).

& 5.15-6.15pm (ages 10-14) Please

contact Wend if you would like your child to attend.

**DROP-IN\*** for pre-school infants (under 5) & parents Fridays (9.00—10.30am)

**Minecraft Church** – currently

suspended

### ***This month's reflection is from Rev Barry***

Now that we well and truly have Lent, Easter, Ascension and Pentecost “out of the way” some folks might reckon that we are in a period of restful normality. Trinity Sunday, celebrated on the first Sunday after Pentecost, on this year on 31 May signifies, as the Church of England says, that it is a “principal feast dedicated to contemplating and celebrating the mystery of God as three persons in one substance: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. A “principal feast” is one of the highest importance on the liturgical calendar. There are other principal feasts too – can you find out what they are?

We are now in the period that the church calls “Ordinary Time”. The name “ordinary” comes from the term “ordinal numbers”, where each Sunday is numbered after Trinity Sunday, such as first, second, third. Folks might say that nothing much happens for the next 20 or so Sundays, until we reach Advent. There is certainly a lot of do, learn about and participate in throughout this increasingly busy benefice. We are also developing further social events where people can come along for some fun and relax too.

We must always celebrate the good work of folks, who in different roles have decided to step down after many years of fine service, and allow others to take on some of the responsibilities. We give particular thanks to Allister Holt who was churchwarden for 7 years, Ray Goodson as Treasurer for 12 years (and assistant for years before this), and from St Mary's Ilene Bussell as churchwarden for 12 years and Jeremy Lane as licensed preacher for over 30 years; this being a very remarkable duration of voluntary service. These people have certainly seen some interesting things over the years, and their generosity is to be rightly celebrated. Without such good and bold people, the churches in the benefice would be much less than they are now. We all should be able to recognise that we have different gifts within ourselves to offer the church and the community. We are all called be generous in nature. Sometimes we just need to recognise our abilities ourselves, or others might come along and say “I know you are good at this ...” which might come as a surprise for some.

Please continue to pray for the life and work of the churches in this great benefice, and that the right person may feel called to be our new Team Vicar as the recruitment and selection process continues.

Happy Ordinary Time; but there is nothing ordinary about it!

Rev Barry

### ***What is happening this month***

**Rev Barry is away from 31 May to 13 June**

6 June: Church Family Breakfast (8.30am)

10 & 24 June: INSPIRE (2.00pm-4.00pm)

19 June: Aunt Sally & Curry Men's Evening (7.00pm)

28 June: In Song & Praise We Heal (4.00pm)

**Happy birthday this month to: Mike Watts (26<sup>th</sup>); Valerie Payne (28<sup>th</sup>). If you'd like to share a date so we can join in the celebration, let the office know.**

### ***Looking Ahead***

6 July: Pastoral Care team meeting (7.00pm)

8 & 27 July: INSPIRE (2.00pm-4.00pm)

11 July: Hymns & Pimms (2.00pm-4.00pm)

18 July: Men's Breakfast BBQ @ 53 Black Bourton Road

27 July: PCC meeting @ 7.45pm

23 August: Benefice BBQ in the Rectory Garden (12 noon)

17 October: Raymond Burley Guitar Ensemble Concert

**Christmas Fayre 21 Nov 2026: Just 5 months to our Grand Christmas Fayre! Remember it takes a whole church to put on an amazing St John's Christmas Fayre! In the meantime, let's enjoy the summer! Linda Cox**

### ***What's Happening Around the Benefice?***

For events taking place at **St Britius** and **St Mary's** go to our Benefice website [www.bncbb.org.uk](http://www.bncbb.org.uk)

**Brize Norton Village Open Gardens & Flower Festival**, Sunday 14 June

1.00pm-6.00pm. We expect to serve teas and cake for this event Also take advantage of looking round the beautiful gardens.

**Brize Norton Village 'Summer of Sport' Bash**: Sunday 5 July 1.00pm-5.00pm. We aim to have a fundraising stall at this event.

**St John's supports the work of Christians Against Poverty (CAP) through the local Centre in Witney. If you need help with debt, please phone the main switchboard (0800 328 0006) to make an appointment.**