

Readings for today...

New Testament Reading: **Acts 2: 42 – end**

Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Gospel Reading: **John 10: 1 – 10**

‘Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit.

The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep.

The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out.

When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice.

They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.’

Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

So again Jesus said to them, ‘Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep.

All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them.

I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture.

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.



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NB: Out of the Parish Wed 29th & Thurs 30th April



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John Wire

Neill Bonham
Christine Dixon
Janet Dray
Ewan Hayes
Paulette Langley
Ann Matkins
Ev Ridout
The Revd. Preb. Chris Tookey
Brian & Freda Williams
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RIP:

JONATHAN MILLER

{Funeral, St Ben's Church, 27/04, 12.30pm}

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Office Opening Hours w/c 27th April : Tues - Thurs, 8.30am - 1pm

NEXT MEETING OF ST JOHN'S PCC: Monday 27th April 7.15pm, Church Lane Hub & Conference Centre
DATE FOR YOUR DIARY: ST JOHN'S APCM MEETINGS ~ Sunday 31st May, 11.15am in Church following the Service

SPRING PLANT & SEED SALE
 Sunday 3rd May 2026 - 3 to 5pm
 in St Mary's Church, Meare

Indoor plants Outdoor plants
 Veg plants Refreshments

Meet at St John's churchyard
 At 12 for a Peace vigil
 Walk as one at 1
 On the Glastonbury Labyrinth
 In a moving Meditation for World Labyrinth day
 With a rolling wave of peaceful intention
 Global peace walk
 Sponsored by the Labyrinth Society

Saturday May 2th
 12-1.30 pm
 World Labyrinth Day
 Glastonbury Peace walk

WorldLabyrinthDay.org

At St John's Church yard,
 Glastonbury High street

Friday Morning Café
 in St John's Church
 10.30-12.30

Coffee ~ Cake ~ Company
Everyone Welcome

CONCERTS at St John's Church...

Thursday 30th April
 1pm, Lunchtime Concert
 Gareth Lovell (singer/songwriter)

Tuesday 5th MAY
 1pm, Jazz Gig ...
 Ralf Dorrell (double bass) &
 Richard Jenkins (piano)



Fellowship Lunch at St John's Church
SUNDAY 3rd MAY

(these usually start at 12.30)
All Welcome! (£10 per head).

Please let **Sandra & David Smith** know if you're coming plus, any specific dietary requirements.

Thank you!



An evening of Baroque delights

Music from the 17th and 18th centuries including arias, duets and keyboard music by Handel

Saturday 9th May 2026
 7 for 7.30pm
 Christ Church, Henton

Tickets £10 on the door
 All proceeds in aid of the church re-ordering fund
 Wine and soft drinks available before and after the concert

Performed by:
 Sarah Davies (soprano), Tricia Rees-Jones (soprano/piano)
 David Secchi (piano)

Please let jennyrossley@mbzonline.net or WhatsApp 07753 958836 know you will be attending

Sunday 3rd MAY
THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
 At St John's Church...

8am: Holy Communion [BCP]
10am: Sung Eucharist
4pm: Choral Evensong

At St Ben's Church...

4pm: Healing & Wholeness Service

At St Mary's Church, Meare ...
11am: Holy Communion & APCM

St John's Church - Electoral Roll Update

If anyone has joined our congregation since May 2025 and wishes to be included in the soon to be updated Electoral Roll, application forms can be found on the notice board at the back of Church (by the photos of PCC members). A plastic wallet will be next to these for the collection of completed forms. The closing date for submission of forms is **11.30am, Sunday 3rd May**. If you have any queries, please contact Caroline Masters (Electoral Roll Officer)- mrscarolinemasters@gmail.com



REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS & SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE:

MONDAYS: Community Support Café, 10am - 12noon, ST JOHN'S CHURCH

TUESDAYS: Holy Communion 10.30am, ST PATRICK'S CHAPEL, THE ABBEY

THURSDAYS: Comfort Café, 2pm, CHURCH LANE HUB & CONFERENCE CENTRE, 3 Church Lane, Glastonbury
 ~ Supporting those dealing with grief

FRIDAYS: Celtic Communion, 9.30am, ST MARGARET'S CHAPEL; "Post Office Coffee Mornings", 10am - 12noon, CHURCH ROOMS, MEARE



Safeguarding within the Benefice: This Benefice is committed to the safeguarding of all people. A copy of the current Safeguarding Policy is available on St John's and St Ben's church websites:

stjohns-glastonbury.uk stbens-glastonbury.uk

& in the porch of St Mary's Church, Meare, www.meare-pc.gov.uk

To report an issue, please contact the Benefice Safeguarding Officer:

Helen Roper safeguarding@stbens-glastonbury.uk Mobile 07436 856 451 or,

the Diocesan Safeguarding Manager: **Ben Goodhind** (01749) 588917 / ben.goodhind@bathwells.anglican.org