



# Church News

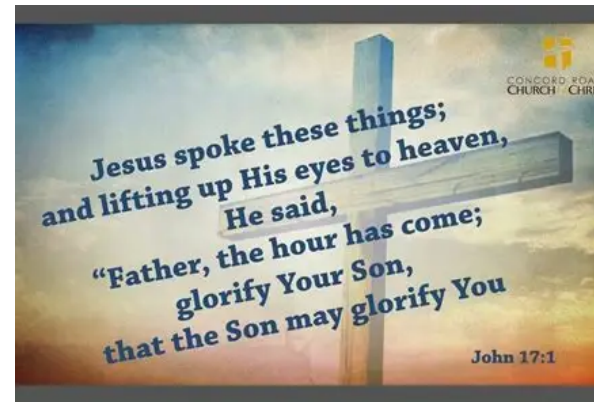
## SERVICES THIS WEEK

<b>17 May Sunday after Ascension</b>	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)	Bishopstone	Ruth H-S
	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)	Odstock	Maggie Metcalfe
	11.00am	Family Communion (CW)	Ebbesbourne Wake	Alison Waterhouse
	11.00am	Parish Communion (CW)	Berwick St John	Ruth H-S
	4.00pm	Sunday Praise	Coombe Bissett	Lay Led
	4.00pm	Sunday Praise	Bowerchalke	Kate Woolven

### The Gospel reading for Sunday 17th May - Sunday after Ascension

#### John 17 v 1 - 11 - Jesus Prays for His Disciples

After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.



"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you, for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you, and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.

If you are unable to attend a service

in church this Sunday, there are services on the radio ...



**8.10am - BBC Radio 4 Sunday Worship  
'Risen, Ascended, Glorified'**

A service from Hoddinott Hall with the National Chorus of Wales



**6.00pm - BBC Radio 3 Choral Evensong**

live from Bristol Cathedral on the Eve of Ascension

### HEART AND MIND

Saturday, 16 May 2026

Grant, we pray, almighty God, that as we believe your only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ to have ascended into the heavens, so we in heart and mind may also ascend and with him continually dwell; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE DAY

### Readings for Sunday 17th May -Sunday after Ascension

**Old Testament :** Acts 1 v 6 - 14 **New Testament :** 1 Peter 4 v 12-14 & 5 v 6 - 11

**Gospel:** John 17 v 1 - 11 **Psalm:** 68 v 1 - 10

# Sunday Praise

Holy Trinity, Bowerchalke  
17th May 2026 at 4pm with tea



**ALL ARE WELCOME**

Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month  
Following the Church of England course  
Welcome to the Lord's Table

At the end of which any children who would like to may  
take their First Holy Communion



## Sunday Praise

A Church service with a difference.

**Sunday May 17<sup>th</sup> 4pm**

Coombe Bissett Church



Tea & cake followed by a  
short service suitable  
for all ages.



**ALL WELCOME**

## Britford and its Church Buildings & Landscape



An Evening with Local Historians  
Dr Hadrian Cook & Dr John Elliott

**Thursday 21 May at 7 pm**

## St Peter's Church Britford

Tickets £12.50 to include a glass of wine  
from Britford Farm Shop 10.30 am–2 pm  
Shelagh Lamb 07917 195242  
newsandnotes.net

## Broad Chalke Open Gardens

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June 12am - 5.30pm**

A varied selection of Broad Chalke's private gardens will be opening to the public on Sunday 7th June - including (clockwise from church): **Coniston** (Dr George Todd); **Kings Old Rectory** (Sir Christopher & Lady Fiona Butcher); **Anthony's Ground** (Gen Ashley & Jenny Truluck); **Bow Meadow** (Julian & Julia Thomas); **Chalke Pyt House** (Andrew & Di Jeans); and **Ash Meadow** (Goeff & Judy Viney). The gardens are situated on a walking circuit around the village centre linked by footpaths through the water-meadows.



**Check-in from 12 a.m on the day at the Village Hall** where you will be given an entry ticket showing a map and description of all the gardens on display.  
**Cost: £8 per adult for entry to all six gardens**, with proceeds going to the Village Hall and CRESS. There will be home-made refreshments on sale in the village hall and a small flower display and organ recital in the church. Car parking (signed) available

for those coming from afar.  
Chalk Pyt Gardens

This event only takes place every 3 or 4 years and offers visitors a wonderful day out in the gardens of our beautiful conservation village astride the River Ebbel in the Cranborne Chase Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

## Friends of Bishopstone Church IN AID OF BISHOPSTONE CHURCH DEVELOPMENT

### Garden Party

Thursday 28th May from 5:00 pm till Sunset



Join us under a Flower Moon in the garden of **Faulston House** for an evening of summer delight

Enjoy a wander through the garden with highlights to include an abridged production of **Romeo & Juliet** by 440, singing by **The Navy Larks** and **Catch of the Day** and a **Foraging** demonstration

Bring a **picnic** or order a **delicious hamper** of local goodies from Coombe Bissett Stores

Hamper order sheet available when you book tickets

Orders in by 1<sup>st</sup> May

Bar: cash & card



**Faulston House, Faulston Lane**  
Bishopstone, SP5 4BQ  
Tickets £15

(Children under 18 with an adult: £5)

CONTACTS FOR TICKETS

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## ALL SAINTS: THE CHURCH AND ITS ARCHITECT

**Tuesday 19 May**  
at 7 pm

## ALL SAINTS' CHURCH

A Talk by Local Historian

Dr John Elliott

Tickets £12.50 each

to include a glass of wine

from [newsandnotes.net](http://newsandnotes.net)

& [charlton.all.saints.pcc@gmail.com](mailto:charlton.all.saints.pcc@gmail.com)

Cheese & wine available at the interval

In aid of the upkeep of the Church

Thomas Henry Wyatt  
Wyatt (1807-88) was a distinguished  
architect and President of the Royal  
Institute of British Architects.

He offered his services free of charge  
to the Salisbury Diocesan Church  
Building Association, and designed  
20 churches in Wiltshire, including  
that in Charlton.

Image by George Lindbeer @ National  
Portrait Gallery, London

## Clergy Contacts & Working Days

Please note that the clergy team is available throughout the week and a member of the team is always available in an emergency or for an immediate pastoral need.

Revd Ruth Tel: 01722 697022

Revd Ruth's non-working day is a Monday.

Revd Alison: 01722 697404 or 07904 034221

Revd Alison's non-working day is a Friday.

Revd Kate: 07754 582395

Revd Maggie: 01722 325825

## Sung Compline

### St. Martin's Fifield Bavant

**Thursday, 23rd July, 7.30pm**

we will welcome back the Manor Singers for this special service, to be followed by drinks and nibbles.

All are very welcome.

