



Church News

SERVICES THIS WEEK

19 October 18th Sunday after Trinity	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)	Bishopstone	Maggie Metcalfe
	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)	Odstock	Ruth H-S
	11.00am	Family Communion (CW)	Ebbesbourne Wake	Tony Monds
	11.00am	Harvest Festival	Knowle Farm Barn	Kate Woolven
	11.00am	Family Communion (CW)	Coombe Bissett	Ruth H-S
	11.00am	Parish Communion (CW)	Berwick St John	Barney Hopkinson

The Gospel reading for Sunday 19th October

Luke 18 v 1 - 8 - The Parable of the Widow and the Unjust Judge

Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my accuser.' For a while he refused, but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.' And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"



The Chalke Valley Churches invite you to one of the

Services for All Souls

30th October 6pm St Michael &
All Angels Coombe Bissett

31st October 6pm Holy Trinity
Bowerchalke

2nd November 9.30am

St John the Baptist
Berwick St John

11am St John the Baptist
Ebbesbourne Wake
& **6pm** St John the Baptist
Bishopstone

These will be short services of words and music to remember and give thanks for the lives of family members and friends who are no longer with us

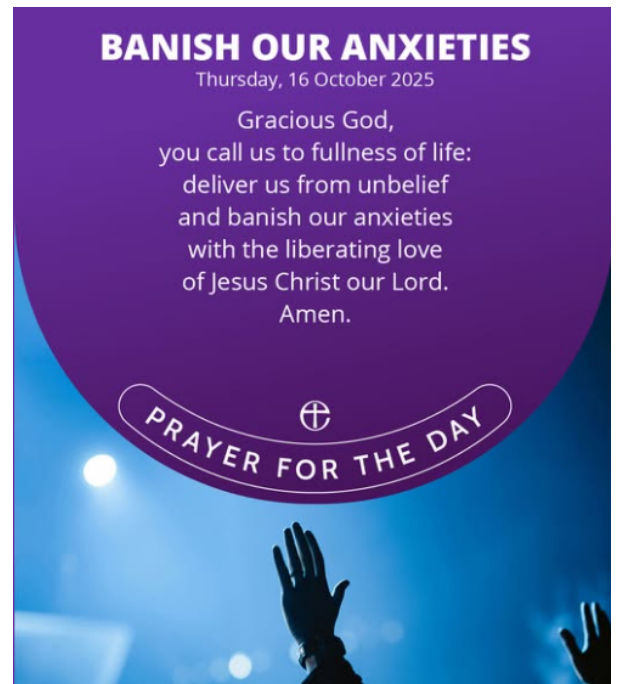


BANISH OUR ANXIETIES

Thursday, 16 October 2025

Gracious God,
you call us to fullness of life:
deliver us from unbelief
and banish our anxieties
with the liberating love
of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE DAY



Readings for this Sunday: Old Testament : Genesis 32 v 22 - 31

New Testament : 2 Timothy 3 v 14 to 4 v 5 **Gospel** : Luke 18 v 1 - 8 **Psalm** : 121

If you are unable to attend a service in church this Sunday, there is a morning service on the radio ...



8.10am BBC Radio 4 'Lost & Found : The Parables'

Swarzy chats to Keisha Buchanan and David Melodee about The Parables



3.00pm BBC Radio 3 'Choral Evensong'

Choral Evensong live from Wells Cathedral

BONFIRE BASH

Saturday 8 November

at 6 pm

Charlton All Saints Barn

Tickets from

Chris Clark
01725 510891

Or online

<https://bit.ly/4n3FSvn>



Early Bird
By 6 Nov

Adults £8
Kids 5-14 £4

Standard
7-8 Nov

Adults £10
Kids 5-14 £5

Bar with Beer & Mulled Wine
Fireworks *Hot dogs* Raffle



Lee Abbey

Christian Community

CHALKE VALLEY WEEKEND

FRIDAY 1ST MAY - SUNDAY 3RD MAY 2026



A great weekend away in North Devon

See your old friends and meet some new ones, a happy, fun and inclusive atmosphere, good food, stunning scenery and a chance to think about faith. You can be as involved in all the activities as you wish or just take the opportunity to relax and be with friends. We welcome everyone - and it is for all the family, some families come with three generations. So invite your friends and family, and let's make this our 15th year a very special weekend. We are hoping to have 110 people in the main house.

What's included

- Accommodation on Friday and Saturday night
- All meals from Friday evening through to Sunday Lunch A glass of wine with dinner on Saturday
- Talks by the Lee Valley team
- Prayer ministry and Christ in Quiet in the Chapel
- A variety of walks from a gentle stroll to an energetic hike
- Tea time activities - craft workshop - Mens discussion - prayer walk -
- A separate programme for children
- Saturday night evening with Simeon Wood

There is something remarkable about the way God brings unity to a church or group that spends time away together.

The Lee Abbey Pastoral Team is on hand to listen to and pray with individuals too.

We aim for every guest to return home stronger and more inspired in God - and for churches to be transformed!

Payment

Full payment required to book your place. Refunds according to the Lee Abbey Refund Policy.

Costs

£190 per adult.

£220 per adult for ensuite

£50 teenagers, £25 12 years and under, Under 2 years FREE

Ensuite - We prioritise those with a medical or mobility need and the over 70's but the rooms are also allocated on a first come first served basis

For those who come regularly - your room is reserved until 15th November - please reply promptly to secure it.

There are subsidized rates for children, students and clergy and for those who cannot afford the full fee. Please get in touch with Christine to find out more. Please make your own holiday insurance arrangements.

Contact information

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Bookings taken from 1st October . Rooms allocated on a first come first served basis.

Friends of Bishopstone Church
IN AID OF BISHOPSTONE CHURCH ROOF APPEAL

It's Not Rocket Science (Well, it is actually . . .)

Come and join me, Toby Mills,
a real Rocket Scientist and learn about

- The history of rockets
- How rockets work
- Getting into orbit
- Travelling the cosmos
- The future of rocketry and much more



No mathematical knowledge required!

Never again will you wonder how a rocket works
Amaze your friends with your new found knowledge

on Friday 7th November 2025 at 7.00pm for 7:30pm
in the Bishopstone Village Hall

Tickets £12.50 - includes first drink and snacks
(18 years old and under: £5)

CONTACTS FOR TICKETS
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Get ready for Advent and Christmas!

CLICK HERE for more information on The Grumpy Owl & the Joy of Christmas. a heart-warming retelling of the Christmas story.