



**Making Christ
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Welcome to the

PEWS NEWS



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Sunday 21st April 2024

The Winterborne Valley & Milton Abbas

Benefice

Please continue to support the Foodbank in 2024



All around us we see the hard labour of our local farmers coming to fruition as they gather in their crops. These crops have been planted and lovingly nurtured until the time is right for them to be harvested. I believe a donation in a supermarket collection bin is a seed. A simple act but with the potential to bear considerable fruit. When it is collected from the Food Bank by someone less fortunate it opens the door for conversations to be had, private lives to be revealed and hidden worries uncovered. It helps expose financial problems, loneliness, isolation, domestic violence, stress and anxieties.

As a farmer nurtures their crop, we start to nurture people, slowly building trust and encouraging people to share with us the issues they are facing in life. We gently start to turn people's lives around and help them dare to dream of a new and better tomorrow.

Kindness – a simple word – but every donation is a small kindness with the potential for enormous and life-changing consequences.

If you would like to make a donation, here is a list of items we would particularly appreciate.

Tinned meat * Tinned fruit * Tinned vegetables * Pasta jars * UHT milk * Fruit squash * Tea (boxes of 40) * Biscuits * Rice Pudding

Gail Del-Pinto
Foodbank Manager

Hitting the airwaves.....

I've been working on a new Podcast for a while now (I already co-host a weekly food based comedy podcast with some friend, we're actually the 39th most popular comedy podcast in Algeria for some reason!). The new one focuses on question of faith and spirituality and the first episode has just gone live where I with co-host [Michael Botto](#) discuss prayer with our very special guest [Clark Berge](#).

We hope that the recording quality will improve a bit over the coming episodes as I get to grips with some basic editing. So why not grab a drink and take a listen. If you like what you hear please do share it. Available at the link or on Spotify....still working on Apple. Our next episodes are called, faith and neurodiversity, how to read the Bible, God is not a white man and bouncers on the church door (how does the church become more inclusive?)

<https://open.spotify.com/show/2ud8RWFoYgHBPLW54Ksw4f>

Rev'd Lewis

Diary Page.

THE MONTH AHEAD	KEY HC – Holy Communion (music/prayer/reflection & sharing of bread and wine)	CSC - Café Style Church (Food/interactive/craft) SS – SoulSpace (short/contemplative with reflection and silence)	BCP – Book of Common Prayer (a gentle traditional language style)	MW – morning prayer/worship (a service for all No communion)
Our churches	21st April 2024 4th Sunday of Easter White	28th April 2024 5th Sunday of Easter White		
Clenston				
Houghton		10.30am HC		
Milton Abbas	9am BCP + HC	6pm SS		
Stickland	10.30am HC			
Turnworth		10.30am MW		
Whitechurch	11.30am CSC			
Milton Abbey				
Old Testament	Genesis 7. 1 – 5, 11 – 18; 8. 6 – 18; 9. 8 - 13	Genesis 22. 1 - 18		
Psalm	23	22. 25 to end		
Epistle	Acts 4. 5 - 12	Acts 8. 26 to end		
Gospel	1 John 3. 16 to end John 10. 11 - 18	1 John 4. 7 to end John 15 1 - 8		

..If you would like to know more about our churches and activities please go on our web site

<https://wvmabenefice.uk> or a 'Church Near You'

Church Services on Facebook

Facebook details <https://www.facebook.com/wvmabenefice>

Upcoming events

- * **9am Prayers every Thursday morning at Whitechurch**
- * **From Lewis**

Podcast on Prayer - Lewis interviews Franciscan Brother (Monk) Clarke Berge about prayer.

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The George's Day event they usually run at the pub in Stickland is now taking place at the WSSSC on this Saturday. Starts at 3pm. Many thanks Hazel Harlock

Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) – held in the relevant church. Please feel free to attend

Turnworth 22nd April at 2pm

Houghton 28th April after service

Whitechurch 5th May after service

Milton Abbas 12th May after service

Stickland 19th May after service