

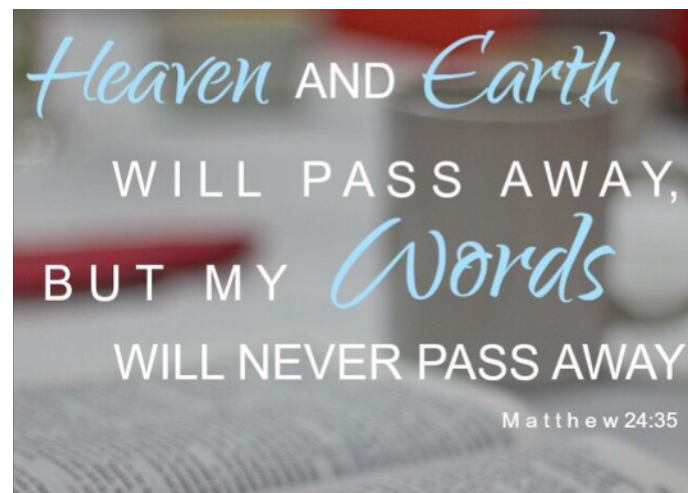
Church News

Sunday 25th October – 21st Sunday after Trinity

9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)	Broad Chalke	Alison Waterhouse
9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)	Charlton All Saints	Jenny Taylor
11.00am	Parish Communion (CW)	Bishopstone	Jenny Taylor
11.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Alvediston	Alison Waterhouse
11.00am	Morning Prayer (BCP)	Berwick St John	Lay Led
11.00am	Family Service	Nunton	Adrian Taylor
6.00pm	Evening Prayer	Homington	Lay Led

The Gospel reading for Sunday 25th October**Bible Sunday****Matthew 24 v 30 - 35**

Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see “the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven” with power and great glory. And he will send out his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.



The Chalke Valley Churches invite you to one of the

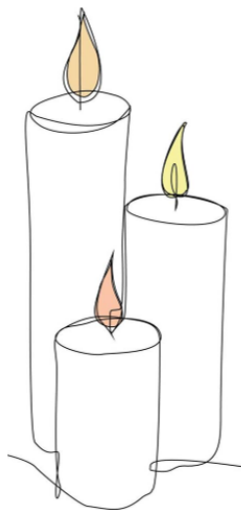
Services for All Souls

Sunday 1st November 6.30pm
Holy Trinity, Bowerchalke or

6.00pm St John the Baptist,
Bishopstone or

Monday 2nd November
All Saints, Charlton all Saints
Time TBC

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

**The Lesson of the Fig Tree**

‘From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see all these things, you know that he[a] is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.’

**Readings for Sunday 25th October - Bible Sunday**

Old Testament : Nehemiah 8 v 1-4a **New Testament :** Colossians 3 v 12 - 17

Gospel: Matthew 24 v 30 - 35 **Psalm** 119 v 9 - 16

Parables of Palestine

Join us for this fascinating talk given by
The Very Reverend Nicholas Papadopoulos,
Dean of Salisbury

'Nick lived in East Jerusalem for three months in early 2024, and worked as a human rights monitor for an international church programme. In his talk he will tell stories of what he saw - observations of everyday life in an occupied city during Israel's war on Gaza - and he will reflect on what the experience is still teaching him'.

Tuesday 10th November at 7.30

Bishopstone Village Hall, SP5 4AA

Tickets **£12.50** to include canapés. Cash & Card Bar



CONTACTS FOR TICKETS

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Compline at Fifield Bavant

As usual, we will hold a service of Compline in Fifield church on Wednesday, 11th November at 5.30pm, as this is St. Martin's Day as well as Remembrance Day.

All are very welcome to join us for this short service with time for silent prayer.

There will be no Evensong on 8th November, as the Remembrance Sunday service for our parish will be in Alvediston church this year, at 11.20, after Acts of Remembrance at 10.45 at the crosses at both Ebbesbourne and Alvediston.



Christmas Garland Workshop *With Emily Broomhead*

Join us for a festive workshop led by Emily, a professional flower arranger and an RHS Chelsea Gold Medallist. Learn how to create a beautiful Christmas Garland. All materials will be provided; however, Emily requests that you bring your own bag of evergreen foliage.

Saturday 28th November 10.00 – 12.00

Bishopstone Village Hall, SP5 4AA

Tickets £20: includes Tuition, Materials, Coffee & Cake
Tickets limited so book early to avoid disappointment



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SCHOOL ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

Wednesday 11th November

10.50am

The Cross

Coombe Bissett Churchyard

ALL WELCOME



FESTIVE30 OFFER CODE

Does your church have a contactless giving card machine?

Get £30 off a CollecTin More using the code **FESTIVE30** at the checkout if you order before 31 October 2026. Purchase via the **Parish Buying website** to secure the price negotiated by national church

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

'Holy Coasts - Iona'



John Bell of the Iona community leads a service as part of a series about pilgrim places around the edges of the UK



6.00pm - BBC Radio 4

Choral Evensong

a service from the University of Glasgow Memorial Chapel

ILLUMINATE OUR LIVES

Thursday, 22 October 2026

God, our light and our salvation:
illuminate our lives,
that we may see your goodness
in the land of the living,
and looking on your beauty
may be changed into the likeness
of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE DAY



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.

Rev'd Ruth Tel: 01722 697022

Rev'd Ruth's non-working day is a Monday.

Rev'd Alison: 01722 697404 or 07904 034221

Rev'd Alison's non-working day is a Friday.

Rev'd Kate: 07754 582395

Rev'd Maggie: 01722 325825



This year's theme focuses on the first and greatest Christmas gift of all: the gift of God being born as one of us in Jesus Christ. The Gift of Christmas invites us to join with our communities this Advent and Christmas

Advent resources are available on the Church of England website or by **CLICKING HERE**