



Welcome to the Churches of the

OKEFORD BENEFICE

serving the parishes of:
Child Okeford with Manston, Hammoon,
Okeford Fitzpaine, and Shillingstone.

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*(Work Days - Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.
Days off - Monday and Thursday)*

The OKEFORD BENEFICE PEW SHEET for week commencing 19th November 2023

Sunday 19th November – 2nd before Advent

10.30am Holy Communion in **HOLY ROOD CHURCH**, Shillingstone (Rev'd Andrew)
Zephaniah 1: 7,12-end; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11; Matthew 25:14-30
4pm Evensong at Manston
Psalm 89:19-29; 1 Kings 1:24-40; Revelation 1:4-18

Sunday 26th November – Christ the King/St Andrew

10.30am Holy Communion (Patronal) Okeford Fitzpaine (Rev'd Andrew)
Ezekiel 34: 11-16, 20-24; Ephesians 1: 15-end; Matthew 25: 31-end

Sunday 3rd December – 1st of Advent

9am Holy Communion at Hammoon (Rev'd Andrew)
Isaiah 64:1-9; 1 Corinthians 1:3-9; Mark 13:24-end

Bishop Karen's Licensings of Rev'd Andrew Gubbins (Okeford Benefice) and Rev'd Gaenor Hockey (Marnhul

2pm Evensong at Child Okeford - BCP Evensong and Licensings
Psalm 25; Isaiah 1:1-20; Matthew 21:1-13
3.30pm Carols at St Gregory's Church, Marnhull – Pilgrim Group Ecumenical Advent Carol

MIDWEEK MORNING PRAYER on Zoom – 9am - strength and fellowship through the week

Tuesday	Morning Prayer	Meeting ID: 477 411 962	Password: 078302
Wednesday	Morning Prayer	Meeting ID: 786 031 572	Password: 022630
Thursday	Morning Prayer	Meeting ID: 612 970 430	Password: 022861
Friday	Morning Prayer	Meeting ID: 943 031 333	Password: 078758



Church Giving! Please do continue to support the work and ministry of the church. Giving to the church is about supporting the life and work of the local church. On the Okeford Benefice website, just click on the blue 'donate' button, and find the picture of your village church – there are various ways of giving money including by card, PayPal or BACS. (There is a separate tile for the reordering project at St Andrew's, and the re-roofing at Holy Rood).

(Church of the Holy Rood, Shillingstone)

The funeral of long-time Shillingstone resident Gerald Kellaway-Moore will take place in Holy Rood Church, Shillingstone on Thursday 23rd November at 2pm.

All are welcome.

A Thanksgiving Service for the life of Graham Haskell will be held in Holy Rood Church, Shillingstone on Friday 24th November at 2pm. All are welcome at the church and in the Shillingstone Church Centre following the service.

St Andrew's Church, Okeford Fitzpaine

The PCC is looking for a new Treasurer following the decision by the current Treasurer to retire at the end of the year.

If you are interested or perhaps know of somebody who may be interested, could you kindly contact either Sue or Chris Jay (Churchwardens) on 01258 860153.

Any queries, please don't hesitate to contact us.

The Licensing of me as Rector by Bishop Karen. All are welcome to this Sung BCP Evensong on Sunday 3rd December at 2pm in St Nicholas Church, Child Okeford. This is a brief service. Afterwards you will also be welcome to an Ecumenical Advent Songs of Praise at St Gregory's Church, Marnhull at 3.30pm - both events celebrating the newly reconstituted Pilgrim Group of Churches.

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There will be a fortnightly Book Group on offer this Winter

Wednesdays at either 2pm-3pm or 7.30pm-8.45pm:

29th November and 13th December.

3rd, 17th and 31st January 2024.

Locations or Online to be confirmed.

Our book is entitled '**Virtue Reborn**' by Prof Tom Wright, a historian and NT scholar who was formerly Bishop of Durham.

This is a fresh look at debates Christians have had and are still having about the way we live, in particular how we draw on the life, love and Spirit of God as practicing Christians. If it is about following the Rules, achieving authenticity, or forming a Christian character, what then are the consequences? Wherever you start, your participation is welcome.

New copies of this book will cost around £12, but second-hand copies might be cheaper - Please contact Andrew speedily with your preference for timing, your book needs and an expression of interest. Then we will confirm locations.

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BENEFICE INFORMATION. The nature of our regular Sunday Services, outreach and pastoral care is shaped by our Ministry Team, made up of a Benefice Priest, Lay Minister (PTO), Lay Worship Leader and Lay Pastoral Assistants. Contact details for them are as follows:

Rev'd Andrew Gubbins, Benefice Priest - 07734 393906	Sue Rawlinson, Lay Minister (PTO) - 01258 863733
Abi Rudd, Lay Worship Leader - 01258 861367	Ruth Allen, Lay Pastoral Asst - 01258 860068
Carolyn Angelucci, Lay Pastoral Asst - 01258 860049	Jill Burton, Lay Pastoral Asst - 01258 860487

Contact details for a Churchwarden in each Parish are as follows:

Child Okeford with Manston – Keith Allen – 01258 860068.	Hammoon – Charlie Poë – 01258 860325.
Okeford Fitzpaine – Chris Jay – 01258 860153.	Shillingstone – Lesley Gasson – 01258 861690.

All enquiries concerning Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals should be directed to the Benefice Priest.

For any upcoming events/notices to be included in the 'Pew Sheet,' please contact me, Diana J Lewis, via email at pentridge@btinternet.com by Noon each Thursday. Emails will receive confirmation of receipt.

The 'Pew Sheet' will also be distributed by me!

Please do use this, and the website, to stay up to date with news and information.