# St John the Baptist Church, Tisbury

reflecting Jesus Christ



# Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2023

# The Fourth Sunday after Trinity

# Today's Service

# 9.30am All-Age Pet Service

In the Churchyard (weather permitting)

Led by the Revd Juliette Hulme

All creatures, great and small, are very welcome at our annual Pet Service, held in the churchyard, weather permitting. Do join us, with or without a pet, as we thank God for these gifts to us and bless them in his name. In the case of bad weather, the service will take place in the church - with the pets, of course!

# Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> July at 10.30am Salisbury Cathedral

#### The Ordination of Rebecca McDonnell

All are welcome at this service, where Becca will be ordained Deacon by the Rt Revd Stephen Lake, Bishop of Salisbury. Please pray for Becca as she prepares for her ordination. Please pray, too, for Stewart, Cullin and Murdo, and for the Revd Martin Lee and the people of Sherborne Benefice, where Becca will serve as Assistant Curate.

## Services during the week

Services of Holy Communion are held on Wednesdays at 10.00am St Andrew's Chapel (CW) and Fridays at 8.00am in the Vestry (BCP). All are welcome. Details of online services can be found on our website.

# Next Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> July

9.30am Parish Communion

Zechariah 9.9-12; Matthew 11.16-19, 25-30

President: The Revd Juliette Hulme Preacher: Canon Judy Anderson

## In Memoriam

We were sorry to hear of the death of Rex Sawyer, who played a leading role in the life of St John's and of the local community, on 15<sup>th</sup> June. A Service of Thanksgiving for Rex's life will be held at St John's on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> August at 2.00pm.

The funeral of the late Audrey Alford, a faithful member of St John's for many years, will be on Monday  $3^{rd}$  July at 1.00pm in St John's Church.

The funeral of the late Doris Garrett will take place on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July at 1.00pm in St John's Church.

We pray for all who are recently bereaved that they may know the comfort of the Holy Spirit and support from friends and family.

# Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> July at 11.00am Lammas Service Dinton Recreation Ground

All from our local village communities are warmly invited to our joint outdoor service at Dinton Recreation Ground, to celebrate Lammas, marking the blessing of the first fruits of harvest with a specially baked loaf of bread. This is the occasion when, once a year, all the churches of the Nadder Valley Benefice join to worship together - thus there is <u>no service at St John's</u> that day.

Do come - and bring a picnic to eat together after the service.

# **Concerts for Ukraine**

Quentin reports that the two concerts which he organised over the Patronal weekend raised  $\pounds 1500$  for Christian Aid's Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal and  $\pounds 200$  for church funds. Thank you very much to all who supported the wonderful concerts. A huge thank you to Quentin for all his organisation, and to Quentin and the other musicians for giving so much of their time and skills. *Juliette* 

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## The Reading: Genesis 1.20-25 (NIV)

And God said, "Let the water teem with living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the vault of the sky." So God created the great creatures of the sea and every living thing with which the water teems and that moves about in it, according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them and said, "Be fruitful and increase in number and fill the water in the seas, and let the birds increase on the earth." And there was evening, and there was morning – the fifth day.

And God said, "Let the land produce living creatures according to their kinds: the livestock, the creatures that move along the ground, and the wild animals, each according to its kind." And it was so. God made the wild animals according to their kinds, the livestock according to their kinds, and all the creatures that move along the ground according to their kinds. And God saw that it was good.

#### For your prayers

In our linked diocese of Cueibet, South Sudan, we are asked to pray this week that all areas of the diocese may have reasonable access to clean water.

We give thanks for the visit of Bishop Andrew last Sunday to our church and we pray for his ministry in our Diocese of Salisbury.



We pray for all ordained deacon and all deacons priested in our Diocese this weekend, and for their parishes.

We pray for the people of France at this time of unrest, that calm may be restored in Paris and throughout the country.

We give thanks for our pets: for their love, companionship and uniqueness. We pray for all God's creation and ask that we may all play our part responsibly in caring for our beautiful world: its earth, seas, skies and all its creatures.

# Church Stall at Tisbury Village Fete - please help! Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> July

We shall have a stall at the village fete, which will take place between 12 noon and 5pm on 15<sup>th</sup> July, at the recreation ground. We plan to sell cakes and produce, and plants. We really need everyone to help in some way. Two requests:

- I. Please would you get baking and making, and potting up any spare plants you could contribute?
- 2. We need people to 'man' the stall, in pairs, for an hour, on the day. We can pair you up if needed.

Please would you let Juliette or Judy know if you are able to help?

## **Confirmation Classes**

Have you considered being confirmed? Confirmation classes, for adults and for young people, are starting in the autumn. If you are interested, do talk to Juliette about what is involved.

## Lent Boxes

Thank you to all who gave via the Lent boxes. We have sent £271.86 to the Chalke-Cueibet partnership towards the building of a security fence for the bishop's compound, which includes the school and the church as well as the bishop's accommodation.

## **Restoration of the Reredos in the Lady Chapel**

The restoration of our beautiful terracotta Reredos showing the resurrection appearance of Jesus to Mary in the garden is now complete. Do have a look at it after the service. We await the installation of special lighting to highlight this inspirational work, sculpted in 1884 by George Tinworth, the Victorian ceramic artist. Juliette

## **Book of Remembrance**

We would like to update our Book of Remembrance with the anniversaries of death of local residents.

If you would like your relative's name to be recorded in the Book, please fill in the form (available by the north door) with their full name and day, month & year of death and pass to Judy or myself.

## Giving to the church



Thank you very much to those who continue to give regularly to the church. If you haven't committed to regular giving, why not consider joining the Parish Giving Scheme? If you go to <u>https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/tisbury-st-john-tisbury/</u> you can set up a login and password on the secure website. This will enable you set up your own direct debit (and sign up for gift aid if applicable). Alternatively, you can pick up a leaflet in church. If you require help or advice on giving, please contact Paul Naish, email <u>sjtgiftaid@gmail.com</u> tel 01747 870731. Cheques should be made payable to Tisbury PCC.