

RED POST JUNCTION

Welcome to our Red Post Benefice:
Almer, Bloxworth, Morden, Sturminster Marshall,
Winterborne Kingston, Winterborne Zelston

Services this month

Sunday 3rd September <i>13th Sunday after Trinity</i>	9.15	S Marshall	Sung Eucharist with Choir
	11.00	Bloxworth	Morning Prayer / Holy Communion
	18.00	W Kingston	Evensong
Wednesday 6th September	9.00	S Marshall	Holy Communion
Thursday 7th September	19.00	S Marshall	Installation, Institution & Induction of Jane Williams
Saturday 9th September	13.00	Almer	Wedding
Sunday 10th September <i>14th Sunday after Trinity</i>	9.15	S Marshall	Sung Eucharist & Benefice Service* note change
	11.00	W Zelston	Harvest
Wednesday 13th September	9.00	S Marshall	Holy Communion
Saturday 16th September	12.00	Almer	Wedding
Sunday 17th September <i>15th Sunday after Trinity</i>	9.15	S Marshall	Morning Service
	9.15	W Kingston	Holy Communion
	11.00	Almer	Holy Communion
	16.00	Tomson	Harvest
Wednesday 20th September	9.00	S Marshall	Holy Communion
Sunday 24th September <i>16th Sunday after Trinity</i>	9.15	S Marshall	Family Communion
	11.00	Morden	Holy Communion
Wednesday 27th September	9.00	S Marshall	Holy Communion
	19.00	Almer	Harvest

Red Post Benefice Contact Details

Vicar – Reverend Jane Williams

The Benefice Clerk - Vicky Harrison King redpostbenefice@outlook.com 07525 347953

Please do look at our website <https://www.redpostbenefice.com/>

We are in the process of creating an up-to-date data base. Please see the churchwardens or PCC to add your name to the central list of contacts.

You are invited to:

Thursday 7th September at 7pm St Mary's Sturminster Marshall – The Institution, Installation and Induction of Reverend Jane Williams as our new vicar of the Red Post Benefice by the Bishop of Sherborne. All our congregations are invited to the service, please let your churchwardens know if you are able to come.

Parking is available in a field beyond the church (follow the signs)

FOR YOUR DIARIES

Sunday 3rd September 12.30-4pm Church Preservation Trust BBQ and stalls St. Mary's Sturminster Marshall churchyard.

Saturday 9th September – Ride & Stride – see poster, more details from Liz and Peter Jones lizandpetejones@yahoo.co.uk or Tel: 01258 857076 or Dorset Historic Churches Trust

Thursday 14th September Chicago Bridge Drive in aid of St Mary's Church Sturminster Marshall - The Old School 10.30 - 3.00 (coffee served from 10am) £15 to include lunch.

Information and tickets from Katy Norman - katy.norman1@btinternet.com 07815 610595

Wednesday 27th September 7pm – Almer Harvest Festival. Please note change of date.

ADVANCE NOTICE – Village Quiz teams wanted for a Quiz night on 28th October at Winterborne Zelston Village Hall in aid of St Mary's WZ. Please speak to the Churchwardens or Benefice Council members for tickets. £15 for 2 course supper (let us know if you have any dietary requirements), bring your own drink.

Our prayers are asked for:

Bev, Fran, Caroline, Ethel, Ann

Those who have died recently – Joy Shepherd and those whose anniversaries occur this month.

1st Lucy Holloway, 4th Leonard Haysom, Dora Aburrow, Sylvia Corbin, 5th Edward Way, 6th Fred Sweatland, 7th Mac Longford, 8th Olive Smith, 10th Mary Sutton, 15th George Hooper, 16th Gordan Rowlands, 20th Irene Trenchard, Sylvia Coughlan, 22nd Freda Williams, Kathleen Ball, 26th Stella Martin, 27th Oscar Johnson, 28th Herbert Papadopolou, Canon Stanley Royle, 29th Kenneth Hoare, 30th Pat Home

For those preparing for baptism and marriage and, in particular we pray for Aryan & Petra, Benedict & Bethany, Alexander & Georgina, who are getting married this month.

From Jane

It's September! Traditionally the start of a new school year and a time to reflect on new beginnings. I must admit, I've always loved to open a new exercise book and start a new blank page. What an opportunity. So, it is with the Red Post Churches at the start of a new beginning, a new chapter, a new vicar.

Here's a prayer for us as we start out:

“Holy God, as we start this new chapter for our churches, we pray for the presence of your Holy Spirit in all that we do together. Help us to be a worshipping community here across this area that we live in, so that your glory is evident for all to see, here and now, relevant, and up to date to the people we meet along the way. Be with us Lord, as we reach out in love to your world around us, sharing the good news of Jesus Christ in a real way. Let it be known, by the example we set, that our God is alive and moving among us. Amen.”

I'm really looking forward to getting to know you all. Here is a verse that God has laid on my heart for us all at this time: ‘Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not be faint.’ Isaiah 40.31

With every blessing,

Jane

The Reverend Jane Williams (the new vicar)



Dorset Historic Churches Trust Ride and Stride event is on **Saturday 09 September 2023**. Participants collect sponsorship and cycle a bicycle, ride a horse or walk from church to church. There is no minimum distance to complete or number of churches to visit. You can start and finish wherever you like between 10am and 6pm.

Half the sponsorship money that is raised goes to DHCT and half is returned to your nominated church.

The church raising the most money is awarded the Morshead trophy.

Riders and Striders from St Mary's Church, Sturminster Marshall, will once again be taking part. In 2019, they won the Morshead trophy and last year St Mary's received £1400 from sponsorship money. More participants from Sturminster Marshall would be very welcome. It is a very sociable event and a great way to raise money for your church.

Would representatives from other churches in the Red Post benefice like to take part and raise money for their church? Cycle, ride or walk with a group or go alone. Children are welcome to take part if accompanied by an adult. Join others for a great day out cycling, walking or riding in the glorious Dorset countryside.

If you cannot take part, why not sponsor someone who is?

Good luck to everyone.

Details of how to take part are on the DHCT website
or available from: Liz Jones, Sturminster Marshall Parish Organiser
Email: lizandpetejones@yahoo.co.uk or Tel: 01258 857076