

Notices

Living with Loss monthly drop-in café starts THIS Tuesday 5th August at St George's - first Tuesday of each month at 11am in the café area. Open to all, no need to book.

13, 20, 27 August - CAP Money Coaching course for anyone - not just people in debt - to learn how to get control of their finances and stick to their personal budget. 7pm - 9pm St Nicolas Church Hall. See posters in church or call David Clark on 07803 838917 to book.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Saturday 4th October - Andrew Rumsey Collodion a concert celebrating history and place through folk song, story and poetry with Bishop Andrew Rumsey. 7pm at St Michael's, Enborne. Tickets £12.

Saturday 22nd November - Advance notice of this year's Benefice Quiet Day - which will be led by Bishop Mary at Wantage convent.

Benefice Pilgrimage 2026 to Malta - McCabe are now taking bookings for our planned pilgrimage to Malta and its islands in November 2026. They have just advised us that they are currently offering a lower deposit payment of £200 rather than £500 per person for bookings received by 31st August 2025, so if you are interested, it is worth booking this soon. Pilgrimage brochures are available in the church lobbies or you can email the office and one will be sent to you by email.

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South Newbury - St George, St John, St Michael

3rd August 2025

Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Everyone is welcome at our churches and all are warmly invited to come along.

We look forward to seeing you.

Today's Services

St George's 8.00am - Holy Communion BCP

9.30am - Parish Communion

10.30am - Holiday Club Service

St John's 8.30am - Holy Communion

10.00am - Parish Communion

St Michael's 11.00am - Holy Communion

Live-streamed worship this week is from St John's on YouTube from 10.00am - <https://bit.ly/3PMxGPY> or via www.southnewbury.org

Next Sunday, 10th August - Eighth Sunday after Trinity

St George's 8.00am - Holy Communion

9.30am - Parish Communion

10.30am - Holiday Club service

St John's 8.30am - Holy Communion

10.00am - Parish Communion

Weekly Services and Events

Benefice Office open Tuesday to Friday 9.30-3.30

Monday Warm Welcome Café at G's 9.30am-12.30

Tuesday Morning Prayer 8.50am at St John's
Babies & Toddlers St J on a summer break
Listening Prayer at St George's at 10am
Eucharist at 12.30pm at St John's

Wednesday Morning Prayer 8.50am at St John's
Morning Prayer 8.45am at St George's
Warm Welcome Café at G's 9.30am-12.30
Social & Midday Prayer, St J from 10.30am
Tiddlers & Toddlers on a summer break

Thursday Morning Prayer 8.45am at St George's
Café Communion 12 noon at St George's
Contemplative Prayer on a summer break

Friday Morning Prayer 8.45am at St George's
'and Breathe' school-run café at St John's on a summer break
Warm Welcome Café at G's 2.00-4.30pm
Soup Lunch St John's on a summer break
Evening Prayer St John's 5.00pm

The Collect

Generous God,
you give us gifts and make them grow:
though our faith is small as mustard seed,
make it grow to your glory
and the flourishing of your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

First reading: Ecclesiastes 1. 2, 12-14; 2. 18-23

I, the Teacher, when king over Israel in Jerusalem,
applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom
all that is done under heaven; it is an
unhappy business that God has given to human
beings to be busy with. I saw all the deeds that are
done under the sun; and see, all is vanity and a
chasing after wind.

I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the
sun, seeing that I must leave it to those who come
after me - and who knows whether they will be
wise or foolish? Yet they will be master of all for
which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun.
This also is vanity. So I turned and gave my heart
up to despair concerning all the toil of my labours
under the sun, because sometimes one who has
toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must
leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil
for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. What do
mortals get from all the toil and strain with which
they toil under the sun? For all their days are full
of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night
their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

Gospel Reading: Luke 12. 13-21

Someone in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, tell
my brother to divide the family inheritance with
me.' But he said to him, 'Friend, who set me to be
a judge or arbitrator over you?' And he said to
them, 'Take care! Be on your guard against all
kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the
abundance of possessions.' Then he told them a
parable: 'The land of a rich man produced
abundantly. And he thought to himself, "What
should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?"
Then he said, "I will do this: I will pull down my
barns and build larger ones, and there I will store
all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my
soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many
years; relax, eat, drink, be merry." But God said to
him, "You fool! This very night your life is being
demanded of you. And the things you have
prepared, whose will they be?" So it is with those
who store up treasures for themselves but are not
rich towards God.'

Post Communion

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source
of life,
ever giving himself that the world may live:
may we so receive within ourselves
the power of his death and passion
that, in his saving cup,
we may share his glory and be made perfect in his
love;
for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Upcoming services at St Michael's Enborne

3rd August - 11am Holy Communion
17th August - 11am Matins
7th September - 11am Holy Communion
21st September - 11am Matins
21st September - 6pm Forest Church

Prayers for the week

Prayer is at the heart of everything we do.
A Weekly Prayer Diary is sent out by email with this news-
letter includes prayers for named individuals,
together with prayer intentions for the week for our
Benefice, the local community and the wider world.
Names can be added by contacting clergy or the Office but
please note, only with the permission of the named
person.

Open for personal prayer ...

St George's Church is open daily (except Monday) from
9.30am - 2.30pm. (Access via the door on tower side.)

St John's Church is mainly open Tuesday to Friday from
approx. 9-5pm. The red flag flying indicates openness.

St Michael's Church, Enborne is open every day in
daylight hours.

**Come, sit in peace, and enjoy the quietness of these
sacred spaces.**