



Parish of Newton Abbot and Ogwell

WEEKLY NEWS

12th October 2025.

FROM OUR RECTOR

Dear Friends,

In these columns I have generally stayed away from national and international events, but recently there have been a number of key events that have caused me to think again.

A new Archbishop of Canterbury.

Perhaps the most notable item of news for us as Anglicans was the announcement late last week, that the current the Bishop of London, the Rt Rev'd Sarah Mullaly was to be the next Archbishop of Canterbury. She won't officially take up her role until January, but everything she says and does between now and then will be taken as if she had begun already.

I don't envy her new role. She takes over as head of a Church of England that is weak in faith, decreasing in number, impoverished, under-staffed and deeply divided. And if anything, the divisions in the worldwide Anglican Communion are deeper still. Those who know Bishop Sarah, speak highly of her abilities and character, but she will need the skin of a rhino and the wisdom of Solomon to survive and thrive in her new role!

So, however you may feel about her appointment, can I ask that we all commit ourselves to pray for her, as we should for all our leaders, that she would have the strength, wisdom, courage and grace she will need to fulfil both her new role, and be faithful to the ordination vows she has already made. She isn't the Messiah. That role is already taken! She won't 'bury the Church of England.' The ABofC's influence is too small for that! She does need our prayers – so let us pray for her!

The rise of Antisemitism.

The deadly attack on the Synagogue in Manchester last week was another in a growing number of incidents which have singled out Jewish people for hatred and violence. Some have claimed that it is all fuelled by anger at the ongoing conflict between the terrorist group Hamas and the nation of Israel in Gaza and there may be some truth in that. However, the way that Jews in this country, and in countries across Europe, have been targeted, the hatred towards them, and calls from some baying crowds for all Jews to be driven not just from Israel but from the face of the earth, are worryingly similar to those from pre-war Germany. As Christians, we must have nothing to do with such attitudes.

We may not currently need to provide safe havens for Jews as did Corrie Ten Boom and her family in the classic book, *The Hiding Place*, but we do need to be ready to stand alongside them, firstly in prayer, and in acts of kindness, love and support.

On a similar theme, the **debate in the UK about immigration** has increased in fervour, and much of the rhetoric around it has become unhelpful. I have neither the wisdom nor the time to try to make sense of the situation, let alone suggest solutions! I think every party now believes that our current immigration policies are not working and that 'something' must be done. Once again, I'm glad I don't have to make that call!

However, as Christians we are called to love our neighbours, wherever they are from. And we are called to share the good news of Jesus with them, whatever religion they may follow. And when people from different countries come into our churches, (as I pray more and more will) we are to welcome them with open arms as true brothers and sisters in Christ. For, as Paul writes in Galatians 3: 26-28: *"You are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, slave nor free, male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus."*

Whatever we think about our policies in this area, this is our calling as Christians. May we be faithful to it as we live out our faithfulness to Christ.

Later in the autumn we'll have an evening to help us think through issues of caring for the immigrants amongst us from someone who works on the frontline. In the meantime, let's commit ourselves to bring these issues, and all those involved, to God, who reigns over all, and who will one day perfect His Church as he will restore the whole of creation.

Grace and peace,

Dave

Please pray for:

Our Church, our parish, benefice and diocese, our Rector Dave Brown, Team Vicars Gareth Regan and Fr. Matthew Cashmore, Curate Jon Bealey, and all others who carry out their own form of ministry.

Our King, His Majesty King Charles III, members of the Royal Family and our government.

Peace in Ukraine and Israel.

The Church of the Province of Uganda.

The churches of the North Tamar Mission Community.

Residents in the following streets: Ogwell Mill Road, Ogwell Road, Old Exeter Road, Old Totnes Road, Orchard Grove, Orleigh Avenue, Orleigh Cross, Orleigh Park and Osborne Street.

The sick and suffering including: Joey Hilton, Noah Maynard, Cherie Glover, Sheila Fletcher, John and Joyce Sutherland, Jackie, Joshua, Anna Crocker, Barbara-Ann, David,

Julie, Sally Fulcher, Marie Graham, Martyn, Eve Taylor, David Littlewood, Max and Sarah, and others who are unwell in residential and nursing homes, their own homes, and in hospital.

Ben, Sarah and family as they care for Noah.

The families and friends of the recently deceased.

Please email prayer@newtonabbotparishes.co.uk to let us know about anyone needing our prayers.

Readings for 12th October

Habakkuk Chapter 1: Verses 1 to 11

At **St Paul's Church**: Mark Chapter 10: Verses 1 to 12.

At **All Saints' Church**: Matthew Chapter 6 Verses 25 to the end

NEWS AND NOTICES

Harvest Festival Service: The Harvest Festival Service at Highweek will take place on Sunday 12th October. Please think about purchasing 1 or 2 extra items over the coming weeks and bring them along to church on Harvest Sunday. All the produce will be donated to THAT Foodbank in Newton Abbot.

Although all tins and packet foods will be most welcome, they are currently very short of...

UHT Milk	Squash	Cooking sauces	Small Jars of coffee
Tinned fruit	Tinned tomatoes	Jam	Small boxes of tea bags
Tinned veg (including potatoes)		Tinned rice pudding/custard	

Harvest Festival Last Sunday. Pictures from St Paul's Church





The Christmas Journey 2025

Our interactive presentation of the Christmas story to 6/7 years olds in primary schools across the Parish will take place during the week commencing 1st December. Already 5 schools and 150+ children have signed up, so now we need a team!

We need about 25 volunteers each session and are likely to have 6 sessions across the week (9:30-12noon or 1-2:45) as well as needing people to help set up and take down. Sign-up sheets will be available at our churches soon or contact Judy direct via email at mrsvicar16@gmail.com. Do get involved!



News from Christians Against Poverty: CAP are one of our 3 mission partners. You can find out about their Autumn Appeal here: <https://capuk.org/appeals/some-struggles-are-invisible>

CAP is also running an evening to let supporters know about their work and meet some who have been helped. This is an on-line gathering. You can book here: [Friends of CAP evening - Christians Against Poverty UK | Brushfire](#)

Rising Lights: Next April, Torquay is hosting a conference called RISING LIGHTS: It is a gathering for five days by the coast to hear God's word, to praise our risen Saviour, and to rest. With plenty for adults, teens, and kids, alongside space to enjoy Torquay with friends and family. Living in Newton Abbot, we won't need to pay for hotels, but it is a great opportunity to hear some fantastic Bible teaching right on our doorstep. A number of people from our church family have already booked in (including Judy and me). Why not come and join us? Details are here: [Rising Lights - 6–10 April, 2026 - FIEC](#)



Prayer Gatherings.

Our next **evening** Parish Prayer Gathering will be on Monday 13th October from 7:45 p.m. to 9 p.m. at St Paul's Church.

Our next **morning** Parish Prayer Gathering will be on Monday 20th October from 9:15 a.m. at St Paul's Church.

Got questions about life, faith, meaning and Christianity?

With engaging videos, lively discussions and an opportunity to ask any question,

The Identity Course could be a great place to start!



IDENTITY

Who is God? Who are we?

Organised by the Anglican Churches in Newton Abbot and Ogwell: www.newtonabbotparishes.co.uk

The 7-session course starts on
Wednesday 1st October

Sessions run from 7:30pm to about 9pm

The course will take place at
Abbotsbury Church, Waverley Road
Newton Abbot. TQ12 2ND

For more information or to book a place on
this **FREE** course
call us on **01626 211346** or email
office@newtonabbotparishes.co.uk

For more details on the course see
www.identitycourse.com

**This is the last week
to join in with our
new Identity
Course...**

**Come to our
Big Brekkie!**



**Saturday 11th October
9:30am – 11:30am**

**At The Avenue Church,
Newton Abbot. TQ12 2BY**

All Donations will support
The Christian Aid
Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal.

Everybody welcome!

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Tracey House, Haytor Rd, Bovey Tracey, TQ13 9LE





Coffee Mornings

St Bartholemew's Church on 24th October 10:30 a.m. at, Ogwell in aid of Breast Cancer Awareness. **Please wear pink.**

St Paul's Church on 25th October, at 10 a.m. in aid of Christmas Journey.

Samaritans Purse

On the following two pages is an order form for Christmas gifts from this charity. You can find out more about the charity and the gifts on offer, and you can order online, at <https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/>.



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Order by Mail, Phone, or Online.

It's quick and easy to order gifts and we'll post a card to someone you choose, letting them know about the gift made with them in mind.



Gift No.	Gift Description	Number of Gifts	Suggested Amount	£ Your Donation	Code/SP Reference
1	Feed a Hungry Baby		£10		208-900-FHB
2	Provide Hot Meals for a Child		£5		208-900-HMC
3	Rescue Children in Crisis		£65		208-900-RCC
4	Care for an Orphan		£25		208-900-ORPHAN
5	Feed a Hungry Family		£40		200-900-FF
6	Help Put a Stop to Human Trafficking		£100		400-100-PSH
7	Serve Desperate Refugees		£80		200-900-SDR
8	Train a Birth Attendant in Isolated Regions		£50		400-100-BIRTH
9	Bring Clean Water to a Community		£60		500-100-CWC
10	Give a Water Filter to a Family		£75		500-100-FF
11	Drill a Village Well		£8,000 / £15		500-100-WELL
12	Honeybees		£15		306-100-BEES
13	Kitchen Kit		£20		200-900-KITCHEN
14	Baby Chicks		£10		306-100-CHICKS
15	Doctor Kit		£20		600-900-DOCKIT
16	Shelter Kit		£100		200-900-SHK
17	Solar Lights		£20		200-900-LIGHTS
18	Hygiene Kit		£20		200-900-HYGIENE
19	Blankets & Bedding		£5		200-900-BLANKETS
20	Mend a Child's Heart		£1,800 / £50		606-100-HEART
21	Provide Life-Saving Medical Care		£80		600-100-LCS
22	Restore Sight to the Blind		£55		605-100-RSB
23	Provide Life-Saving Medical Equipment		£20		600-900-EQUIPMENT
24	Send a New Missionary Doctor		£80		601-100-MDOC
25	Help Repair a Cleft Lip		£200 / £20		604-100-CLEFTLIP
26	Help Build or Improve a Mission Hospital		£26,000 / £130		361-100-HOSP
27	Equip a Hospital Chaplain for Ministry		£350 / £35		300-100-HCHAP
28	Give a Copy of God's Word		£10		300-100-WORD
29	Give an Audio Bible to a Blinded Ukrainian Soldier		£15		370-100-AUDIOB
30	Build a House of Worship		£12,000 / £75		300-100-HWORSHIP
31	Adopt a Shoebox		£5		700-200-OCC
32	Send a Pre-Packed Shoebox		£25		713-200-SBO
33	Disciple a Child		£100 / £5		731-200-TGJ
34	Give a Dairy Goat		£55		306-100-GOAT
35	Give a Baby Kit		£60		401-100-BABYKIT
36	Help a Family Raise Livestock		£300		306-100-LIVESTOCK
37	Help a Family Earn an Income		£35		306-100-FAMINC
38	Help a Poor Farming Family		£30		350-100-PFF
39	Where Most Needed		£20		00-GC

HIGHLIGHTED: Top Gifts for 2025

To order by telephone call 020 8559 1180

We will be happy to take your order over the phone.
We suggest you select your gifts and cards as above
and have your debit/credit card ready.

**To order online visit
SamaritansPurse.org.uk/GC25**

You can order physical cards and
also schedule e-cards to be sent

2 Choose your cards

Delight a friend or loved one by sending a card and letting them know about the gift you've made with them in mind. Choose whether to have a blank card for each gift sent directly to you so you can personalise it yourself, or tell us your message and who you'd like us to send it to, and we'll do the rest. Allow 10 days for delivery.



Gift No.	Card Choice	Where do you want it sent?	Address	Message
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		<input type="checkbox"/> To someone else	Name: Address: Postcode:	<input type="checkbox"/> Leave blank <input type="checkbox"/> Personal message:
		<input type="checkbox"/> To me Quantity:	Name: Address: Postcode:	<input type="checkbox"/> Leave blank <input type="checkbox"/> Personal message:
		<input type="checkbox"/> To someone else	Name: Address: Postcode:	<input type="checkbox"/> Leave blank <input type="checkbox"/> Personal message:

3 Your details

Fill out the debit/credit card information below. You can also pay by cheque or postal order (payable to Samaritan's Purse UK). Send us the completed form and your donation in the freepost envelope provided.

Name <input type="text"/>		Amount <input type="text"/>	
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Address 3 <input type="text"/>	Postcode <input type="text"/>	Name on card <input type="text"/>	

Stay in Touch

Would you like to receive email updates from Samaritan's Purse? ☐

Yes, here is my email address:

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Boost your donation by 25p of Gift Aid for every £1 you donate.

☐ I want to Gift Aid my donation and any donations I make in the future or have made in the past four years to Samaritan's Purse. I am a UK taxpayer and I understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations in that tax year it is my responsibility to pay any difference. I will notify you if I want to cancel this declaration, change my name or home address, or no longer pay sufficient tax on my income and/or capital gains. I understand the tax reclaimed on my donation will be used to meet the greatest need. This may mean it's used to supplement funding for the area of mission my donation was made to or to meet other urgent needs.

COMING EVENTS

Bingo at St Luke's Church, Milber on 10th October at 7 p.m.

Christian Aid Big Brekkie at The Avenue Church on 11th October from 9:30 a.m.

Women's Breakfast. Saturday, 11th October at 9:30 a.m. at The Clock Tower Coffee Shop, Wolborough Street, Newton Abbot.

Traditional Choral Evensong. 12th October at 6 p.m. at St Mary's Church, Abbotskerswell.

Evensong Choir Practice. 16th October, 7 p.m. at St John's Church, Bovey Tracey.

Men's Breakfast. Saturday 18th October, 9:00 a.m. at the Leisure Lounge Café.

Craft Club. 21st October at 2 p.m. at St Paul's Church.

Charity Coffee Morning. St Paul's Church on 25th October, at 10 a.m. in aid of Christmas Journey.

Charity Coffee Morning. St Bartholomew's Church, Ogwell on 24th October at 10:30 a.m. in aid of Breast Cancer Awareness.

Lunch with God. Bible teaching. 5th November and each Wednesday thereafter at St Paul's Church Hall. 12:15 to 1:45 p.m. Free soup and hot drink.

Joint Parish Service for the fifth Sunday of the month on 30th November at 10:30 a.m. at St Mary's Church, Wolborough.

Evensong at St Luke's Church, Milber - Sunday 30th November at 5:30 p.m.

Murder Mystery - Tragedy at the Village Tea Party – with supper. Denbury Village Hall TQ12 6DS, 29th November at 7 p.m. £25. To book contact imwdayey@gmail.com or phone 07767 771590. Profits to Denbury Church.

The Christmas Journey. Week beginning 1st December. Volunteers needed, please see forms in church or contact Judy directly by email at mrsvicar16@gmail.com.

CHURCH SERVICES

12th October

Abbotsbury Church, Holy Communion at 9:30 a.m.

All Saints Church, Holy Communion at 9:30 a.m. **Harvest Festival.**

St Paul's Church, Service of the Word at 11 a.m.

St Luke's Church, Mass at 11 a.m.

19th October

Abbotsbury Church, Holy Communion at 9:30 a.m.

St Bartholomew's Church, Holy Communion at 9:30 a.m.
St Mary's Church, Holy Communion at 11 a.m.
St Paul's Church, Service of the Word at 11 a.m.
St Luke's Church, Mass at 11 a.m.

26th October

Abbotsbury Church, Service of the Word at 9:30 a.m.
All Saints Church, Holy Communion at 9:30 a.m.
St Paul's Church, Holy Communion at 11 a.m.
St Luke's Church, Mass at 11 a.m.

If you are not able to attend in person, you can watch services at Abbotsbury Church and St Paul's Church through [YouTube](#).

The links are available at <https://newtonabbotparishes.co.uk/noticeboard/news/>

EVERY WEDNESDAY 10 a.m. Holy Communion at St Paul's Church, Devon Square **and**
10 a.m. Said Mass at St Luke's Church, Milber.

EVERY FRIDAY 10 a.m. Said Mass at St Luke's Church, Milber.

ALL WEEK St Bartholomew's Church in Ogwell is normally open for private prayer during daylight hours.

OTHER SERVICES

30th November (5th Sunday)

Parish Communion, St. Mary's Church, Wolborough, at 10:30 a.m.

Evensong, St Luke's Church, Milber, at 5:30 p.m.

PRAYER GATHERINGS at St Paul's Church.

13th October 7:45 p.m.

20th October 9:15 a.m.

27th October at 7:45 p.m.

FUNERALS AND INTERMENTS

Beulah Colwill 15th November at 12 noon at All Saints' Church, Highweek. Interment of Ashes.

PARISH CONTACTS

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Prayer List Please let us know about anyone in need of prayers. Their name will be kept on the list for a month. Please email prayer@newtonabbotparishes.co.uk

Parish website: www.newtonabbotparishes.co.uk

Parish Office at St Paul's Church, Devon Square. The office is normally open Monday to Thursday, 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Phone 01626 211346 or email office@newtonabbotparishes.co.uk.

OTHER USEFUL CONTACTS

Newton Abbot Town Council. 01626 201120 www.newtonabbot-tc.gov.uk

Shopmobility, Ring & Ride, Community cars – 01626 335775

Teignbridge Council – 01626 361101, www.teignbridge.gov.uk

THAT Foodbank. 8 Queensway House, Queensway, Newton Abbot. TQ12 4BA. Tel: 01626 437310, email: office@thatfoodbank.com Web: www.thatfoodbank.com

Footnote. Thank you very much to those of you who have sent me contributions.

Relevant photos are very welcome.

I aim to circulate each weekly issue on Wednesday to give notice of the coming weekend's events and perhaps report what happened last weekend.

Please let me have any news of past events, notice of future activities or any other information that may be interesting or useful for our Church members, by Tuesday for the next issue.

If you know of anyone who does not receive this weekly email, but wishes to do so, please ask them to email me or contact the office.

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