



# The Arle Valley Benefice

Rector: Revd. Phil Collins  
Benefice Curate: Revd. Bryce Fletcher

**13th May 2012**  
**Sixth Sunday of Easter**

Welcome to our worship today. If you are a newcomer, please make yourself known to the Clergy or one of the Churchwardens after the service. If you are hard of hearing, there is a hearing loop system in operation at St John's, St Peter's and St Mary's. If moving is difficult and you wish to have communion brought to you, please ask the Churchwarden on duty. You are welcome to take this pew sheet home with you. A copy of the pew sheet can also be found on St John's website at [www.stjohnsalresford.org.uk/notices](http://www.stjohnsalresford.org.uk/notices).

## This Week's Notices...

**Flowers in St John's:** The Chancel flowers in St John's have been provided by Rodney Skinner in celebration of Sue's birthday on May 15th.

### **Old Alresford Mothers' Union for the Arle Valley Benefice:**

The next meeting will be held at Old Alresford Place on Tuesday 15th May, 2pm for 2.30pm start. We will be discussing 'The Future' and taking reservations for the Quiet Day on 13th July 2012. *Further information from Branch Leader: Carol Beetham 732997.*

**Sundays @ Six:** This informal service of Praise and Prayer is presenting a series of challenges to our journey of faith. The question we will be thinking about on Sunday 20th May at 6pm is 'Are we recognising God the Spirit?' *Do come along from 5.45pm for coffee and cake before the service.*

### **Watercress Festival Sunday May 20th:**

Please sign up at the back of the Church if you can help in any way before during or after the Tea and Cakes provided in the JPH at the Watercress Festival – there's lots of jobs for all different tastes/skills/talents. We do need your help if you possibly can give a little time! ...

*This is one of our big fund raisers so please don't forget to come and support St Johns on the day by buying slices of delicious homemade cake and a drink for you and all the family!*

**Tesco Vouchers:** I am again collecting Tesco vouchers to send to our link parish in Newbiggin Hall. Please leave in the box provided in Parish Office; or drop through the letterbox of 9, Maple Close.

*Many thanks, Angela Peel 734814.*

**Church Scam:** A number of churches in the area have been visited by a man claiming one of his parents has died unexpectedly and he needs the fare to travel to Jersey to identify the body. He is described as between 5'8"-5'10", short dark hair, fairly slim, aged 40-50. On some occasions someone also phones claiming to be a retired hospital chaplain from Jersey – this is not true. If you are contacted by this man this is totally untrue and is a scam. Please be aware he may change the locations he mentions. A wallet has also been stolen – please take care and do not leave possessions unattended when taking communion / having coffee etc.

*Warning issued by Winchester Diocese.*

**Flower Sponsorship:** The form for flower sponsorship for July - December is now at the back of the church, so please sign up if you would like to sponsor flowers for any particular Sunday.

**Prayer Diary in St John's:** You are invited to use the Church Prayer Diary on the table in the Prayer Zone for any requests, thanks, praise or any other items. These will be prayed for at the daily Mid-day Prayer and by anyone who may be quietly using the Prayer Zone. There is great power in many agreeing in prayer.

**Please direct:**

- Material for notices: email to [notices@stjohnsalresford.org.uk](mailto:notices@stjohnsalresford.org.uk) or telephone John Holliday on 732023 **Deadline: 3pm Thursday.**
- Information about those in hospital to Ann Holliday 732023 or Brian Gabriel 734482 or Sue Greenway 732406.
- Information for Intercessions to The Rector 732105.