

Proposal for a basic Dorchester Team service pattern

Please send any opinions to Sue email rector@dorchester-abbey.org.uk – it would be really helpful to have the questions below answered as well as any other opinions!

We are likely to depart from this pattern for Festivals

Sunday services for the whole Team

1 st and 3 rd Sundays	9.30am	Family Service Zoom from homes
	10.30am	Communion Service Zoom from a Church
2 nd and 4 th Sundays	10.30am	Service of the Word on the lectionary theme

Weekday Services

Daily	8.30am	Reflective morning prayers (Facebook live then Website)
Saturday	5pm	Evening Prayer to prepare for Sunday (Zoom live)
Tuesday	12 noon	Mid-day Prayer (Zoom live)
Thursday	12 noon	Mid-day Prayer (Zoom live)

During the week parishes have also arranged various opportunities to gather for coffee / conversation and fellowship and if anyone who has not previously been part of a fellowship group would like to join an online one we would love to hear from you. We plan to continue with Team services on Sundays for the foreseeable future. These will be live, followed by coffee groups and available to view by the afternoon on the website for those who prefer.

Here are some questions:

Are you happy with the general pattern of services?

If not, what would you change? What is there too little of? What is there too much of?

What gaps do you feel there are that you would like us to consider filling?

A final question is a much larger one and is one that we need to ask ourselves for the future:

What can we learn from our experience at present and how do we want to emerge from Church lockdown?

Rev Sue

On behalf of Rev Caroline, Rev Teresa and the Clergy of the Dorchester team.