Parish Church of Barbourne St. Stephen

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Welcome to our church, especially if you are a visitor or a newcomer

Sunday 14th July 2024 **Trinity 7**

Opening Hymn: 633 Seek ye First

Readings: Amos 7.7-15 **Rob Holdsworth**

> Ephesians 1.3-14 Lucy Lewis

Gradual Hymn: 190 Sing Hosanna!

Gospel: Mark 6.14-29

Sermon

Intercessions: Margaret Mandrell To the bidding: Lord hear us:

Please respond: Lord graciously hear us.

Offertory Hymn: 285 I, the Lord of sea and sky

Communion Hymns: **54** As the deer pants

4 A New Commandment 147 Do not be afraid

Final Hymn: 568 O Lord my God, when I in awesome...

AFTER SERVICE REFRESHMENTS – 10.00AM

Tea, coffee, squash and biscuits are served in church following the 10.00am service. Why not stay for a drink, biscuit and a chat. It's a chance to get to know everyone. A warm and friendly welcome to all.

SUNDAY STARS



Informal Worship for Little Ones and their Grownups Meets on the first Sunday of the month from 9.00 9.30. In the Bishop Allenby Hall (next to the church)

GOOD COMPANIONS (Meet in church at 2.30pm)



August - No Meetings.

Monday 2nd Sept - TBA / 16th September - Board Games.

A Better Way to Give Regularly to Church

The Church of England has introduced the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS), administered by a charity controlled by various Dioceses and based in Gloucester. The scheme should be a win-win situation - better for givers, and better for the church. There is a small supply of booklets at the back of Church. If you want to know more, speak to Richard Hemmings, or you can look at PGS's website.

Church Services this coming week.

Thursday 10.00am **Holy Communion**

Zoom only services

Monday & Wednesday 8.20am **Morning Prayer** Tuesday & Thursday 5.30pm **Evening Prayer**

Next Sunday - Trinity 8

8.00am - Holy Communion

Readings: Jeremiah 23.1-6 Diana Fulbrook

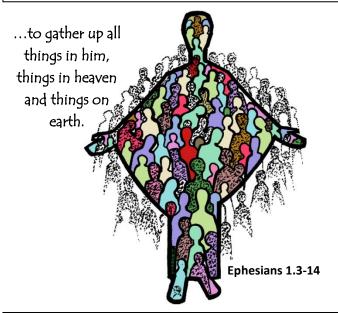
Linda Dunmore David Anwyl-Hughes

Gospel: Mark 6.30-34, 53-56

Intercessions: David Anwyl-Hughes

CRAFT & CHATTER (Every 4th Saturday of the Month)

10.30-12.30. Will run alongside Open Church. If you knit, crochet, sew, or craft, do come along. Open to all.



LITTLE STARS For babies to pre-schoolers and their parents/carers meets in church every Thursday 🔸 afternoon in term time from 1.30pm to 3.00pm. Further details from Michelle Walsh (details below)

Open Church

10.30am - 12.30pm **Thursdays**

Saturdays 10.30am - 12.30pm

If you have any items for the pew sheet please e-mail them to: mwalsh.ststephens@outlook.com Please send by Thursday - 10.00am if you wish it to be

For church hall bookings contact Michelle Walsh at mwalsh.ststephens@outlook.com or 07961 097497

included in the following Sunday's pew sheet.



THIS WEEK'S NOTICES

Table -Top Sale - Saturday 20th July - 10-12

Donations of clothes, books, toys, **Table Top** jewellery, pictures and bric-a-brac SALE would be appreciated for a sale on 20th July towards the building of a further classroom in Zambia. Any donations can be left at the back of church. Please come along for coffee and cake from 10am to 12 in the Hall.

'Join the Conversation' and make sure your voice is heard! The process of looking for a new Bishop of Worcester has begun, and the Vacancy in See Committee want to hear the views of as many people as possible across the Diocese. Please complete the online survey below letting them know what you think we need in a new bishop and where you see our diocese at the moment and in the future. The survey should only take 10 minutes of your time and can be found here: www.cofe-worcester.org.uk/join-theconversation or via the homepage of the diocesan website. www.cofe-worcester.org.uk

Bishop Perowne Church of England College -New Partnership with Evangelischem Gymnasium in Meiningen, Germany.

The first visit has been arranged for Tuesday 24th to Saturday 28th September.

Could you offer to host two 14yr old students for four nights?

All meals will be provided centrally, they just need somewhere to have a good night's rest. If this is something you feel able to offer - please speak to Lindsey who will be happy to pass your details on to Rev. Sarah Northall (who is coordinating.)

Here's some of the items we most need

TINNED MEAT & FISH, TINNED FRUIT, TINNED RICE, LONG LIFE FRUIT JUICE & MILK, TEA BAGS, INSTANT COFFEE, OIL



For the full shopping list please visit;

www.worcester.foodbank.org.uk There is a Foodbank collection box at the back of church.

FOODBANK - Give Today website - Order the items we need - delivered straight to our door! https://www.givetoday.co.uk/worcesterfoodbank/

Unwind on a Retreat Day - Saturday 24th August from 10.00-3.00

Come and explore the beauty of nature in the wonderful surroundings of St. Nicholas Church and Barn (WR4 0SL) which also happens to be surrounded by woodland trails. Places are limited - so do please put your name on the list at the back of church to avoid disappointment.

Strawberries and Wine at Meriel's Sunday 28th July



It's that time of year again! Strawberries and wine will be served at Meriel's on Sunday 28th July between 2.00 and 5.00pm – Everyone is welcome. Adults £5, children free - In aid of Church funds.

NEW DEAN OF WORCESTER ANNOUNCED

The King has approved the nomination of The Revd Canon Dr Stephen Edwards, Interim Dean of Worcester, to be appointed as the new Dean of Worcester. Stephen has been Interim Dean since the retirement of the Very Revd Peter Atkinson last September. He will be installed as Dean on Sunday 15th September at 3pm.

Myriad Centre Fundraising Event Gheluvelt

Park 3rd July Despite rain on the day everyone had a great time. The participants were led round the course by a drummer and the care staff and clients really entered into the festival spirit. Far surpassing the original target, over £2000 has been raised (including gift aid). A huge thank you to all who contributed.

Beach Fun Day - 15th August 2-4pm Join us for an afternoon of beach fun at St Stephens, including; Fish Fingers sandwiches, Ice pops, Float a raft, Sand play, Candyfloss, Surfboard graffiti. £2.00 per family -15th August, 2-4pm . Not to be missed!

SAVE THE DATE... Autumn Fayre!

Sat 21st September Raffle Tickets are now available at the back of church!



1st Prize £200 cash plus many more great prizes