Parish Church of Barbourne St. Stephen

Visit our website www.st-stephens-church-worcester.org.uk for information about services and forthcoming events

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

Sunday 7th July 2024 Trinity 6

Opening Hymn: 109 Christ is made the Sure Foundation.

Readings: Ezekiel 2.1-5 Volunteer/tbc

2 Corinthians 12.2-10 Paul Kennett

Gradual Hymn: **195** Glorious things of thee are spoken

Gospel: Mark 6.1-13

Sermon

Intercessions: Paul Kennett

To the bidding: Lord in your mercy Please respond: **Hear our prayer**

Offertory Hymn: **74** Be thou my vision

Communion Hymns: **292** I wonder, as I wander

158 Father, hear the prayer we offer

Final Hymn: Great is thy faithfulness (words separate)



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 7

8.00am - Holy Communion

Readings: Amos 7.7-15 Clergy or Volunteer

Ephesians 1.3-14

Gospel: Mark 6.14-29 Intercessions: Clergy

10.00am - Family Service

Readings: Amos 7.7-15 Rob Holdsworth Ephesians 1.3-14 Lucy Lewis

Gospel: Mark 6.14-29

Intercessions: Margaret Mandrell

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.

Clergy or Volunteer



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

<u>Thursdays</u> 10.30am - 12.30pm

Saturdays 10.30am - 12.30pm



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

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

THIS WEEK'S NOTICES

Funeral of the late Bryan Plester

Bryan's funeral will be held here at St. Stephens on **Tuesday 9th July at 1.00pm.**

Many of you will have worshipped and served with Bryan as the church was such a huge part of his life. Refreshments will be served in church following the service.

<u>PLEASE NOTE:</u> Bryan's family have asked that no black be worn to his funeral.

Refreshments afterwards: We would like to thank the volunteers who have offered to serve refreshments, however, one or two more offers of cakes would be much appreciated. If you can provide a cake please let Ruth know: ruth.scotson@gmail.com Thank you.

'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-the-conversation or via the homepage of the diocesan website. www.cofe-worcester.org.uk

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. 14 Bilford Road, WR3 8QA.

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.

<u>Unwind on a Retreat Day - Saturday</u> 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.

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

Donations of clothes, books, toys, jewellery, pictures and bric-a-brac 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 midday in the Hall.

Drop-in Coffee and Chat Sessions about

Compassionate Church Following on from our APCM and in view of the fact that the notice board has been on display for some time now - we are planning to host some drop-in coffee and chat sessions. Do please come and speak to Lindsey, Kevin and Ruth on any of the dates below; we'd be happy to hear your ideas and your feedback and answer any questions.

Sunday 7th July 12.00-1.00 Thursday 11th July 12.00-1.00

We'll be in the children's space at the back of church and look forward to seeing you.

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.)

SAVE THE DATE... Autumn Fayre

Sat 21st September More information to follow.