Parish Church of Barbourne St. Stephen

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

Sunday 21st July 2024 Trinity 8

Opening Hymn: 301 Immortal Invisible

Readings: Jeremiah 23.1-6 Linda Dunmore

Ephesians 2.11-22 David Anwyl-Hughes

Gradual Hymn: **248** He Who would valiant be

Gospel: Mark 6.30-34, 53-56

Sermon

Intercessions: David Anwyl-Hughes

To the bidding: Please respond:

Offertory Hymn: 230 Good Christians all, rejoice and sing

Communion Hymns:

252 Help, Lord, the souls thou has made.

88 Blest are the pure in Heart

Final Hymn: 233 Guide me O thou Great Redeemer

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) Next meetings:



August - No Meetings. **Monday 2**nd **Sept** -Wayne Mexson: Metal Detectorist/ **16**th **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

We will be taking a summer break from Midweek Zoom Services. We will return on Monday 2nd September.

Next Sunday - Trinity 9

8.00am - Holy Communion

Readings: 2 Kings 4.42-44 John Swindin

Ephesians 3.14-21 John Swindin

Gospel: John 6.1-21

Intercessions: Clergy/ Volunteer

10.00am - Family Service

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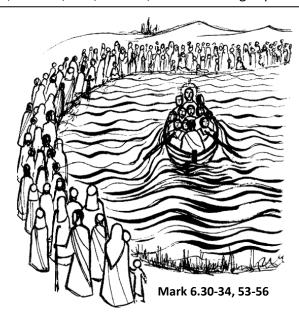
Ephesians 3.14-21 Neil Humphries

Gospel: John 6.1-21

Intercessions: Judith Gerrard

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

<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
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

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 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. The survey should only take 10 minutes of your time and can be found here: www.cofeworcester.org.uk/join-the-conversation or via the homepage of the diocesan website www.cofeworcester.org.uk

AUTUMN FAYRE

Saturday 21st September 11- 3pm DONATIONS APPEAL

Bottles - We are gratefully accepting/collecting any 'bottle' donations for our bottle Tombola. We will gladly accept ANY bottle, be it alcohol, fizz, toiletries



- anything in a bottle! Please bring to church for storage in the Tower room.

Chocolate & Sweets - This was again very popular last year and we hope to continue its success.... so we are gratefully accepting any donations of chocolates or sweets (Tower room).



New/ Unused Gifts - Nigel & Diana Wake will be running this stall again. If anyone has any new but unwanted gifts to sell (not books) Please leave in the rear pews for collection.

The Garden stall at the Autumn Fayre are looking for helpers, garden equipment, plants and produce especially apples and pumpkins if you will have any to spare in September. Anything garden related will be most welcome. Plants - hardy perennials, tree or shrub saplings, alpines or houseplants. Please speak to Chris Allen on 07775938097. Thank you.

<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.

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 2-5pm –

Everyone is welcome. Adults £5, children free –

In aid of Church funds. 14 Bilford Rd, WR3 8QA.

Open Garden with refreshments at Diane and Malcolm Styles, 19 Bevere Close, WR3 7QH on Saturday 17th August from 2pm. All are welcome. Donations in aid of St. Stephens. If you are interested, please put your name and number of people attending on the list at back of church to assist with catering. Thank you.

Jesse Bunn - Gardening Maintenance Service

I am currently looking for work within the local area. I have over 15 months experience and a growing number of trusted clients in Worcester.

Prices – Free to come and take a look/ chat about your needs. Happy to negotiate. Jobs covered include: Weeding, planting, trimming, mowing, watering, grouting, cleaning paths, tidying sheds and painting. If you think I can be of service, please contact me on: 07701 348229 or email: jcbunn3000@gmail.com. Thank you.

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!

Autumn Fayre Raffle Tickets are now available at the back of church!

1st Prize £200 cash plus many more amazing prizes to be won!