

# Parish Church of Barbourne St. Stephen

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

**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2026**

Opening Hymn: **259** Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty!

Readings: Exodus 24.12-18 Pat Kendall  
2 Peter 1.16-21 Kevin Maltby

Gradual Hymn: **619** Rejoice the Lord is King

Gospel: Matthew 17.1-9

Sermon

Intercessions: David Anwyl-Hughes

To the bidding: Lord, in your mercy

Please respond: **Hear our Prayer**

Offertory Hymn: **562** Of the Father's love begotten

Communion Hymns:

**355** Let all mortal flesh keep silence.

**72** Be still for the presence of the Lord.

Final Hymn: **602** Praise my soul the King of Heaven



**Next Sunday Before Lent**

**Next Sunday – Sunday next before Lent**

**8.00am – Holy Communion**

Readings: Genesis 2.15-17; 3.1-7  
Romans 5.12-19

Gospel: Matthew 4.1-11

Intercessions: Pippa Curtis

**10.00am – Family Service**

Readings: Genesis 2.15-17; 3.1-7  
Romans 5.12-19

Gospel: Matthew 4.1-11

Intercessions: Vivien Greenow

Pippa Curtis  
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Colin Magee  
Geoff Hill

**Matthew 17.1-9**



**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.**

**GOOD COMPANIONS** Meet in church at 2.30pm

**16 February** - Malvern Priory and Cream Tea at Lyttleton Well – Minibus Trip £12.

*(Book early for Evita on Saturday 25th April at 2:30pm £22)*



**JUNIOR STARS** New Sunday School on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month during the 10am service. Ages 4-11.

• Bible Stories • Craft • Music • Prayer • Prayer



**A Better Way to Give Regularly to Church**

The Parish Giving Scheme is administered by a charity. There are booklets at the back of Church. You can speak to Richard Hemmings or go:

[www.parishgivingscheme.org.uk](http://www.parishgivingscheme.org.uk)



**Church Services this coming week.**

Wednesday	7.30pm	Ash Wednesday
Thursday	10.00am	Holy Communion

**Zoom only services**

We will be taking a break from Midweek Zoom Services during Half Term. We will return on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February.

**Prayers for Those in Continued Need:**

Barbara Hellicar, Joyce Pringle, Rosie Goddard, Alex and David New and Adrina and Alan Price.

**CRAFT & CHATTER** (Every 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the Month)

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

**Open Church**

**Thursdays** 10.30am - 12.30pm

**Saturdays** 10.30am - 12.30pm



**Praying Together in Word & Silence**

Regular prayer meetings are held on the **1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month. 9.30am-10.10am** in the Hartley Brown room (entrance back door).



**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) ★

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

For church hall bookings contact Michelle Walsh at [mwalsh.ststephens@outlook.com](mailto:mwalsh.ststephens@outlook.com)

# THIS WEEK'S NOTICES

## **Lent Group 2026**

We'll be using a study guide called 'Who is the Christ?' exploring 6 different aspects of the character of Jesus. Sessions will begin on Tuesday 24th February at 7pm in St Georges Church – all evening sessions will be in St Georges. Rev Jennie will also be leading a daytime group on Wednesdays at Claines Church (time to be confirmed.) No need to book for either, just turn up.

## **Campaign QR Code**

You may have noticed there are QR Codes situated on the end of each pew with details of our Campaign. It is hoped that this will generate donations from some of our occasional visitors towards the next phase of Compassionate Church - the installation of some new accessible toilets in the Tower Room.

The Giving Envelopes are still available at the back of church for those who give to church regularly in this way.

Please speak to Lindsey if you're interested.

## **Are you looking to join a day-time Home Group?**

We meet every Friday from 2-4pm (term time only) in the Northwick area and would love you to join us for fellowship and study of scripture together.

Please speak to Lindsey if you're interested.

## **Break from Midweek Zoom**

We will be taking a break from Midweek Zoom services over half term. We will resume again on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February.

## **Table-Top Sale – Fundraiser (Save the Date)** **Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March, 10.00am -12.00pm.**

Please support our tabletop sale to raise funds for our accessible toilets in church campaign.

To be held in BA Hall on 14th March from 10.00am until 12.00pm.

Donations of suitable items will be welcome.

There will be refreshments including cake, tea and coffee available. Thank you.

## **St Mark's Church – Morogoro**

Following on from our conversations with Bishop Godfrey it would be wonderful to form a group who could lead on this partnership to grow and develop our links with St Marks.

If you're interested in being part of this group or are interested in visiting next year, please speak to Revd. Lindsey.

Thanks to Kevin, there is also a display at the back of church with some general information, demographics, and images of Rev Pendo and her team. Do please take a look while you enjoy a coffee after the service.

## **SAVE THE DATE!**

**Rob Holdsworth's Ordination as Priest**  
**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June at 2.00pm at Worcester Cathedral.** All are very welcome.

## **Prayer diaries**

Prayer Diaries are now available to collect from the back of Church.

## **Worcester Concert Brass**

Worcester Concert Brass will be playing the annual Mayor's Concert at the Guildhall on Saturday 18th April, 1-3pm. Tickets are £10 to include a drink at the interval and under 16's are free. All profits go to Acorns Children's Hospice.



## **Our Shopping List:**

TINNED MEAT, TINNED FISH, TINNED FRUIT, LONG-LIFE FRUIT JUICE, LONG-LIFE MILK, MIXED HERBS, COOKING OIL, INSTANT COFFEE, TEA BAGS, TOILET ROLLS, TAMPONS AND SOAP.

## **For the full shopping list(s) please visit:**

[www.worcester.foodbank.org.uk](http://www.worcester.foodbank.org.uk)

There is a Foodbank collection box at the back of church for any donated items.

## **Foodbank – GIVE TODAY WEBSITE**

Order the items we urgently need - these will then be delivered straight to our door 😊

<https://www.givetoday.co.uk/worcesterfoodbank/>

**Thank you for your continued support of people in crisis.**