

Parish Church of Barbourne St. Stephen

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

Sunday 28th June 2026

Trinity 4

Opening Hymn: **16** All for Jesus
Readings: Jeremiah 28.5-9 Meriel Orton
Romans 6.12-23 Philippa Boulter
Gradual Hymn: **301** Immortal, invisible
Gospel: Matthew 10. 40-42
Sermon
Intercessions: Paul Kennett
To the bidding: Lord, in your mercy
Please respond: **Hear our prayer**
Offertory Hymn: **133** Come thou long-expected Jesus
Communion Hymns: **699** The King of love my shepherd is
10 Across the years there echoes
71 Be still and know that I am God
Final Hymn: **17** All glory, laud and honour



Next Sunday – Trinity 5

8.00am – Holy Communion

Readings: Zechariah 9.9-12 Pippa Curtis
Romans 7.15-25a Pippa Curtis

Gospel: Matthew 11.16-19, 25-30

Intercessions: Pippa Curtis

10.00am – Connect Service



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.**



CRAFT & CHATTER (Every 4th 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**

GOOD COMPANIONS Meet in church at 2.30pm

6 July Miniature Golf at Ravenmeadow Golf Centre

15th July Wednesday – Market Day in Ludlow Coach Trip

August - No Meetings (26th August Shrewsbury Coach Trip)



JUNIOR STARS New Sunday School on the 4th 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

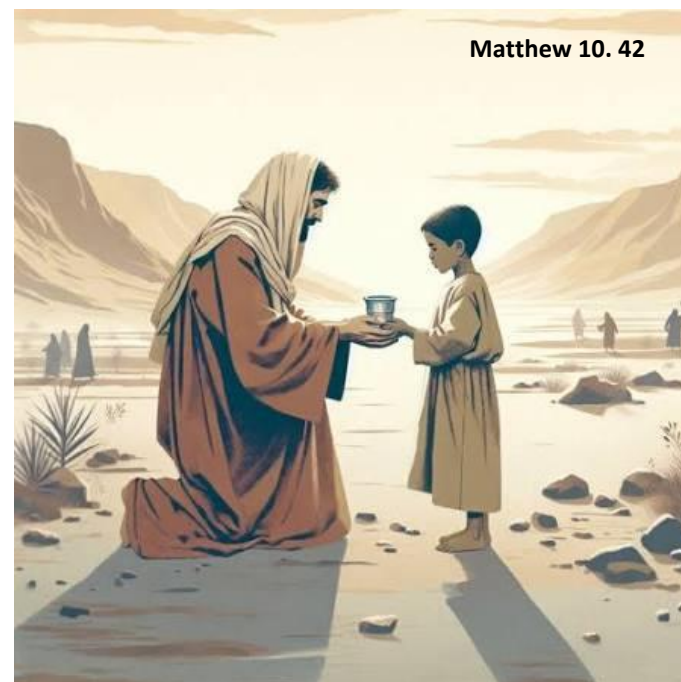
The Parish Giving Scheme is administered by a charity. There are booklets at the back of Church. You can speak to Richard Hemmings or go: www.parishgivingscheme.org.uk

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

Prayers for Those in Continued Need:

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



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).



Open Church

Thursdays	10.30am - 12.30pm
Saturdays	10.30am - 12.30pm



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 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

THIS WEEK'S NOTICES

Rob Holdsworth's Ordination as Priest

is **THIS Saturday 27th June!** at 2.00pm at the Cathedral. Please do come and celebrate with Rob as he is ordained Priest. Please continue to keep Rob and Julia in your prayers.

Poetry Readings – During Open Church

Speaking Allowed! The next date and time will

be: **Saturday 11th July 10.45am – 12.15pm.**

For more information, please contact:

t.charman1@btinternet.com

Eco-Church – Church Borders

Can you spare an occasional hour to help look after the borders around the church?

If so, please have a word with Lynda or Chris after the service or ring Lynda on 07985040229.

From our current Shopping list:

TINNED MEAT, TINNED FISH, TINNED FRUIT, LONG-LIFE, FRUIT JUICE, LONG-LIFE MILK, PASTA SAUCE, RICE, CEREAL, SAUCE PACKETS, INSTANT MASH, MIXED, HERBS, POWDERED MILK, COOKING OIL, COFFEE, TEA BAGS, SOAP, TOOTHPASTE



For Full List visit: www.worcester.foodbank.org.uk

Your incredible support helped us feed 15,201 people last year - with around 1 in 3 of these being children (5,172).

Thank you to everyone who has donated.

Tower/Toilets Project Update

Since the APCM, it has been good to hear of the congregation's support for the project. While we await the South Aisle Faculty so we can organise more detailed displays about what's involved, we thought it would be best to do a small update. We're working with our architect to define a 'Developed Design' to allow for formal quoting on the work. This is required before we can make any applications for funding from external agencies. Locally to date, we have raised £2139.98 via the QR code campaign and individual donations (thank you!!) and we're willing and able to accept direct donations in this way. Please email Michelle or the Church Wardens if there are any further questions and we will discuss these at the next PCC in July.

Children, Youth & Families Minister - Vacancy

Three vibrant church communities, one incredible opportunity!

Are you passionate about seeing the next generation flourish in faith?

We're looking for someone special to join us in an exciting adventure of growing God's kingdom across three wonderful church communities in Worcester to lead our Unity Programme.

If you're a natural connector, a team-builder, and someone who gets excited about empowering others to shine, we want to hear from you!

For more information or to apply, please go to:

<https://www.cofe-worcester.org.uk/xdm/jobvacancies/show/children-youth-and-families-minister>

Or:

<https://www.christianjobs.co.uk/jobs/claines-st-stephens-st-georges-churches-worcester/8690>

Thank You Gate Painters!

A Massive thankyou to all the painters for their hard work on Tuesday 23rd painting the gates. What a great Job! Well Done.

Meriel's Strawberries and Wine!



It is 30 years since Meriel first began her Strawberry and Wine afternoon for the family and friends of St Stephens.

This year we will celebrate that on **July 12th 2.00pm - 4.30pm**, £5 entry, children free, Do please come along to 14 Bilford Road, enjoy the beautiful garden, raffle, strawberries and wine, with Meriel and friends for a summer afternoon treat" Everyone is welcome. (All money raised will go to Church funds).

TEA & COFFEE ROTA

We are currently drawing up our next rota and could do with a couple of extra helpers to serve tea and coffee in Church after the 10am Sunday service. If you might be interested and would like to know a bit more about what's involved, please do have a word without obligation or email me at ruth.scotson@gmail.com. Thank you! Ruth.