

Parish Church of Barbourne St. Stephen

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

Sunday 19th July 2026

Trinity 7

Opening Hymn: **560** O Worship the Lord in the Beauty..

Readings: Isaiah 44.6-8 Viven Greenow

Romans 8.12-25 Lynda Nicolls

Gradual Hymn: **528** O God, our help in ages past

Gospel: Matthew 13.24-30, 36-43

Sermon

Intercessions: David Anwyl-Hughes

To the bidding: Lord in your mercy

Please respond: **hear our prayer**

Offertory Hymn: **383** Living Lord

Communion Hymns: **640** Enemy of Apathy

487 Meekness and Majesty

42 An Upper Room

Final Hymn: **301** Immortal, Invisible



Next Sunday – Trinity 8

8.00am – Holy Communion

Readings: 1 Kings 3.5-12

Romans 8.26 -39

Gospel: Matthew 13.31-33, 44-52

Intercessions: Diana Fulbrook

10.00am – Family Service

Readings: 1 Kings 3.5-12

Romans 8.26 -39

Gospel: Matthew 13.31-33, 44-52

Intercessions: Judith Gerrard

Diana Fulbrook
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Pat Kendall
Kevin Maltby

Matthew 13.24-30, 36-43



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

August - No Meetings

Monday 7th September - We will be delving into Memory bags from the Hive.



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 controlled by various Dioceses, better for givers, better for the church. 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

We will be taking a break from Midweek Zoom over the summer holidays resuming again in September, date tbc.

Prayers for Those in Continued Need:

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

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**

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

Quiet Day: Wednesday 19th August

At Pat and Andy's home.

Twenty of us enjoyed a really good 'quiet day' last year at Pat and Andy's home, and we're going to have another one there this year, with Rob leading. It's on **Wednesday 19th August**. Would you like to come?

There'll be opportunities for quiet (of course!), and for prayer, for walking and chatting, and for a focus on God's good creation and ourselves as part of it.

There's a sign-up sheet at the back of church.

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 07985 040229.

Poetry Reading – During Open Church

Speaking Allowed! 10.45 -12.15. The next session will be on **Saturday 15th August**. Please contact: t.charman1@btinternet.com for more information.

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.

Midweek Zoom – Summer Break

We will be taking a break from Midweek Zoom services over the summer holidays.

We will resume again in September with the start date to follow. Many thanks.

PCC Treasurer. We are in need of a new Church Treasurer. If you have accountancy skills that are currently hidden under a bushel and feel this is something you could offer – please do speak to Michelle, Will, Ruth or Kevin.

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. Please speak to Colin Magee or Rob Holdsworth if you're interested.

Our current Shopping list:

TINNED MEAT, TINNED FISH, TINNED FRUIT, LONG-LIFE, FRUIT JUICE, LONG-LIFE MILK, PASTA, PASTA SAUCE, RICE, CEREAL, SAUCE PACKETS, INSTANT MASH, MIXED HERBS, JAM, SPONGE PUDDINGS, POWDERED MILK, COOKING OIL, SNACKS, COFFEE, TEA BAGS, SOAP, TOOTHPASTE, SHOWER GEL, SHAMPOO, MENS DEODORANT, SANITARY TOWELS.



WE ARE IN PARTICULAR NEED OF:

SPF 30/50 SUNCREAM (any size).

This especially needed in this weather and with the summer holidays upon us.

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

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/>

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 food, money or their time to combat hunger in our city

New Prayer Diaries - Now ready.

Prayer diaries for August - November are now available at the back of Church.