

Parish Church of Barbourne St. Stephen

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

Sunday 11th September 2022

Trinity 13

Opening Hymn: 602 Praise my soul the King of heaven

Readings: Exodus 32:7-14 K. Maltby
1 Timothy 1:12-17 L. Dunmore

Gradual Hymn: 706 The Lord's my shepherd

Gospel Reading: Luke 15:1-10

Sermon

Intercessions: R. Holdsworth

Offertory Hymn: 343 King of glory, King of peace

Communion Hymns: 475 Loving shepherd of thy sheep
339 Just as I am
40 Amazing grace

Final Hymn: 528 O God our help in ages past



Next Sunday - Trinity 14

8.00am - Said Holy Communion

Readings: Amos 8:4-7 M. Mandrell
1 Timothy 2:1-7 M. Mandrell

10.00am - Family Service

Readings: Amos 8:4-7 R. Scotson
1 Timothy 2:1-7 P. Kendall

Gospel: Luke 16:1-13

Intercessions: Clergy



Tea, coffee, squash and biscuits are served in church following the service. Why not stay for a drink and a chat. It's a chance to get to know everyone.



GOOD COMPANIONS

Next meetings:

19th September - Marguerite Collins:
The true Brideshead - Madresfield (In church)
3rd October - Bango Brian entertains



A Better Way to Give Regularly to Church

The Church of England has introduced a new Parish Giving Scheme (PGS), administered by a charity controlled by various Dioceses and based in Gloucester. The new 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 Andy or Richard Hemmings, or look at PGS's website:

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



Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II
21 April 1926 – 8 September 2022

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

Thursdays 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

NEWS FROM THE PEWS



St Stephen's Autumn Fayre – 24th September

If you are able to help with setting up, manning a stall or putting things away, please do let Andy, Lindsey or Michelle know. The plans are coming together nicely but we will need your help, even if you can only offer a couple of hours. All offers of help will be greatly appreciated.



There is a list at the back of church if you would like to add your name to a stall or to help in any way. Thank you.

Table at Fayre – Unwanted gifts

Diana and Nigel Wake will have a table at the Autumn fayre on 24th September. We will have jewellery and Nativity items in the main. If anyone has any new but unwanted gifts for us to sell (not books) Please leave in the rear pews and we will collect from the church. We will take any unsold items at the end of the day to Charity Shop(s). For any questions ring us on 01905 356942

Bible & Science Group – 20th September

"The Bible & Science group invite you to join them on **Tuesday 20th September**, when **Rt. Revd. Dr. John Inge, Bishop of Worcester**, will be speaking on **"Discerning the mystery – a scientist's experience of reconciling scientific truth and biblical truth."** Doors open at 7.30pm for coffee and cake, and the talk will begin at 8pm. We meet at Worcester Baptist Church, Sansome Walk, Worcester WR1 1LN.

www.bibleandscienceworchester.org.uk

Philomusica – Come & Sing with us

A free choral event at St Stephens – **Sunday 18th September 2.00pm – 5.30pm**

VIVALDI: GLORIA | RUTTER: FEEL THE SPIRIT

Complementary refreshments provided. Vocal scores available on the day at £2. **Book Online**

at: <https://philomusica.org.uk/sing.html>

Tombola Donations - Bottles!

We are gratefully accepting/collecting any 'bottle' donations for our Tombola at our Autumn Fayre. 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. Thank you!!



Call for Cake and Scones

Meriel and team are in need of as many and scones as possible for their stall at the fayre. If you are able to provide any cake or scones – all will be gratefully received. You can sign up on the list at the back of church.



Lindsey's Curacy

How time flies! Here we are, in September. It's also the final year of Lindsey's curacy (hard to believe, I know). It is normal for final-year curates to be given an opportunity to get a better feel for what it is like to be in charge, so the PCC has agreed that, for the coming month until 3rd October, Andy will take something of a step back, and Lindsey will lead our services and take day-to-day decisions - without Andy to get in her way! The PCC has also kindly suggested that Andy and Viv can use this time to focus on helping their daughter Debbie to navigate the joint mazes of the health and education systems.

Bereavement Support Group

A Bereavement Support Group will be starting on Monday 3rd October to provide informal support following the loss of a loved one whether recently or not.

It will run on the 1st and 3rd Monday of every month from 11am-12pm in St. Stephen's Church but does not assume any religious beliefs.

All are welcome or if you'd like to know more contact Marion Neary on 07870 753739.

Skittles and Social Event - Sunday 9th October

We will be hosting a 'Skittles and Social' event with Claines and St. Georges at The Alma (afternoon) of Sunday 9th October.