Parish Church of Barbourne St. Stephen

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

Sunday 25th September 2022

Trinity 15

D. Fulbrook

Opening Hymn: 608 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Readings: Amos 6:1a;4-7 P. Kennett
1 Timothy 6:6-19 S. Gething

Gradual Hymn: 248 He who would valiant

Gospel Reading: Luke 16:19-31

Sermon

Intercessions: P. Kennett

Offertory Hymn: 40 Amazing Grace

Communion Hymns:

359 Let us break bread together

557 O thou who camest from above

80 Bind us together Lord

Final Hymn: 684 Tell out my soul

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 meeting: 3rd October - Bango Brian entertains

Followed by:

17th October - Art Gallery visit to see art by Canaletto; tea at the Balcony Café.

7th November - Beekeeping anecdotes from Stan Summers

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

Next Sunday - Trinity 16

8.00am - Said Holy Communion

Readings: Habakkuk 1:1-4;2:1-4 D. Fulbrook

2 Timothy 1:1-14

Gospel: Luke 17:5-10 Intersessions: Clergy

10.00am - Family Service

Readings: Habakkuk 1:1-4;2:1-4 G Hill

2 Timothy 1:1-14 D. Anwyl-Hughes

Gospel: Luke 17:5-10

Intercessions: D. Anwyl-Hughes



"There was a rich man...and a poor man..."

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

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.

Church Deep Clean

Iris and team will be carrying out a deep clean in church on Friday 7th October from 1.30-4.30. If you're able to offer some help, even if only for an hour, they'd be delighted to see you.

Harvest Service - Sunday 16th October

This year's Harvest Service will take place on Sunday 16th October.

Margaret will be talking about Christian Aid and will host a cake sale to raise funds for their cause after the service.

Donations for the Foodbank will also be gratefully received. You can find the most needed items listed to the right and the full list can be found by clicking the link below:

https://worcester.foodbank.org.uk/givehelp/donate-food/

Thank you!

A huge thank you to all who helped Saturday such a fun event for the community.

Thanks especially to all who manned stalls, helped to set up or tidy away and all those who

visited. A fabulous time was had by all!

<u>Skittles and Social Event - Sunday 9th</u> <u>October</u>

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

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.



Here's a list of some items we need in our warehouse as we continue to support around 1000 people every month.

SUPERMARKET GIFT CARDS, CEREAL, TINNED POTATOES, TINNED VEGETABLES, TINNED FRUIT, TINNED RICE PUDDING, TINNED CUSTARD, MUG SHOTS, NOODLE POTS, LONG-LIFE FRUIT JUICE, LONG-LIFE MILK, CREAM CRACKERS, MIXED HERBS, SUGAR, COOKING OIL, TOMATO PUREE, PACKET SEASONING, TOMATO/BROWN SAUCE, SALT AND PEPPER, HOT CHOCOLATE, INSTANT COFFEE, WET AND DRY DOG/CAT FOOD, SMALL BOTTLES OF WASHING UP LIQUID, FAMILY SIZE SHOWER GEL, DEODORANT, ANTI-BAC SPRAY, KITCHEN ROLL, ADULT TOOTHBRUSHES (SINGLE), FAMILY SIZE SHAMPOO, HAIR CONDITIONER, TOILET ROLL, TAMPONS, SOAP.

Please no food that needs refrigerating as the Foodbank can't accept it. The Foodbank are also grateful for money donations as this helps towards the rent and allows them to go and buy essentials if they run out of something.

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