

Parish Church of Barbourne St. Stephen

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

Sunday 9th April 2023

Easter Sunday

Opening Hymn: 690 The day of resurrection

Readings: Jeremiah 31.1-6 N. Humphries
Acts 10.34-43 K. Maltby

Gradual Hymn: 778 We have a gospel to proclaim

Gospel: John 20.1-18

Sermon

Intercessions: M. Mandrell

Offertory Hymn: 32 Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord

Communion Hymns:

20 All heaven declares

735 This joyful Eastertide

731 This is the day (verses 1 & 2)

Final Hymn: 728 Thine be the glory



Next Sunday – Easter 2

8.00am - No Service

10.00am - Family Service

Readings: Exodus 14.10-31, 15.20,21
Acts 2.14a, 22-32

Gospel: John 20.19-31

Intercessions: D. Anwyl-Hughes



D. Anwyl-Hughes
L. Dunmore

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 (Meet in church at 2.30pm)

Next meetings:

17th April - Andy Wildman - Deansway 600yds of history (illustrated talk). **15th May** - Richard Poppleton anecdotes about his work as a Magistrate.



BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

Meet in church fortnightly at 11.00am (10.45 for Tea/Coffee)

Next meetings: Monday 10th April

Monday 24th April

A Better Way to Give Regularly to Church

The Parish Giving Scheme (PGS), administered by a charity controlled by various Dioceses and based in Gloucester. 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



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



Church Services this coming week.

Thursday 10.00am Holy Communion

Zoom only services

We will be taking a short break from Midweek Zoom services. We will resume on Monday 17th April.

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

Electoral Roll

Under Church Representation Rules the Church Electoral Roll has to be revised each year before the APCM. The revision for 2023 will take place before the 7th of May. The revised Roll will then come into force for the APCM in mid to late May.

Anybody who wishes to be a candidate **or to vote** for Churchwardens, PCC members and Deanery Synod members to represent this Congregation and Parish **must be on the Electoral Roll.**

As this is a revision, new application forms need only be filled in if members have changed name, address or contact details in the last 2 years, or if members of the congregation wish to join the Electoral Roll having joined our Church. Forms are available at the back of Church along with a box for completed forms.

Please see Paul Kennett for further details if necessary.

A request from Sheryl Chudley who heads the pastoral work at City Church

A request has been made through the organisation Welcome Churches (<https://welcomechurches.org/>) from a charity called Migrant Help (<https://www.migranthelpuk.org/>) Worcester has about 160 single male migrants being housed in the City and they are in need of clothing. They specifically need new underwear in small or medium sizes and other men's clothes which can be second hand. Any items you can offer can be delivered directly to The Fownes Hotel, or contact Sheryl Chudley 07912352697, who can collect them from you.

This year's APCM

(Annual Parochial Church Meeting)

This year's APCM will take place on Sunday 14th May, immediately after the 10.00am service. Everyone with an interest in the life and activity of the church is warmly encouraged to attend.

Rubble Removal Assistance

We are seeking some fit and/or 'younger persons' to assist remove the rubble from under the Hall Stage on 12th- 13th April (Wednesday to Thursday after Easter weekend).

If you can help, please email Adrian Everett on: adrian_d_everett@hotmail.com

Pastoral Support Group

Are you feeling isolated or lonely? Would you appreciate a call from our Pastoral Support Group?

If so, just let Andy or Lindsey know and they'll arrange for someone to be in touch with you.



Here are a few of the items needed from the 2023 shopping list.

CEREAL, NOODLE POTS, CREAM CRACKERS, WET & DRY DOG FOOD, MIXED HERBS, TOMATO PUREE, TOMATO/BROWN SAUCE, TEA, COFFEE, UNISEX TOILETRIES, NAPPIES (SIZE 5-7).

Please no food that needs refrigerating as the Foodbank can't accept it.

THERE IS A FULL SHOPPING LIST IN THE PORCH OT HAVE A LOOK AT THIER WEBISTE FOR OTHER WAYS TO DONATE OR HELP.

www.worcester.foodbank.org.uk

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

