

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 July 2023

Trinity 5

Opening Hymn: **109** Christ is made the sure foundation

Readings: Zechariah 9.9-12 L. Dunmore
Romans 7.15-25a N. Humphries

Gradual Hymn: I heard the voice of Jesus say (Over)

Gospel: Matthew 11:16-19,25-end

Sermon

Intercessions: P. Kennett

Offertory Hymn: **602** Praise my soul the King of heaven

Communion Hymns:

157 Father and life-giver (Choir)

730 This is my body, broken for you

399 Love is his word, love is his way

Final Hymn: **184** Forth in thy name



Next Sunday – Trinity 6

8.00am - Said Holy Communion

Readings: Isaiah 55.10-13 R. Adams
Romans 8.1-11 Clergy

Gospel: Matthew 13:1-9,18-23

Intercessions: R. Adams

10.00am - Family Service

Readings: Isaiah 55.10-13 V. Greenow
Romans 8.1-11 L. Nicolls

Gospel: Matthew 13:1-9,18-23

Intercessions: V. Greenow



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:

10th July - Extra treat! - Andy and Pat Kendall has invited Good Companions to their garden for afternoon tea. Transport by cars.

Break until **4th September** - Anne Lawrence - Project Africa



BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

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

Next meetings: Monday 17th July / 31st July

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



come to me
ALL WHO ARE WEARY
AND HEAVY LADEN
and I will give
you rest.
MATTHEW 11:28

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.

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

For church hall bookings contact Michelle Walsh at mwalsh.ststephens@outlook.com or 07961 097497

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

To ALL Volunteers – Safeguarding

If you are a volunteer at church, no matter your role, we will require you to read some new information on safeguarding. This information can be found on the shelf in the HB room inside a blue folder. Please take a few minutes to read this (there is nothing complicated) and let Carol Amos (or Michelle Walsh) know you have done so for church records. If you would like a copy emailed you can ask either of us. Many thanks.

HAVE A HOLIDAY AND HELP THE CHURCH

Furnished holiday cottage at Newlyn (Penzance). Sea front, fully furnished, 2 bedrooms with all bedding etc. 60 yds from the beach and close parking. Penzance railway station 1 mile. For pictures TR18 5PW 1, Art Gallery Terrace. At least £100 per booking we will give to the church. Call Nigel or Diana Wake for more details - 01905 356942 / 07887762154

SAVE THE DATE.....

Worcester Show - Saturday 13th August

More information to follow. In the meantime, if you're free and would like to volunteer help, do please let Andy or Lindsey know. We are also accepting donations of 'happy face' biscuits.

Autumn Fayre - Saturday 23rd September

If anyone would to volunteer to help at the fayre, in any way...to help run a stall, the BBQ or just as cover (who hasn't already offered) please let Lindsey, Michelle, Ruth or Kevin know. If anyone would like to join our next fayre planning meeting we will be meeting in church at 4pm on Thursday 20th July.

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).

www.worcester.foodbank.org.uk

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



Gradual Hymn

*I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"Come unto Me and rest;
lay down, thou weary one, lay down
thy head upon My breast!"*

*I came to Jesus as I was,
so weary worn and sad;
I found in Him a resting-place,
and He has made me glad.*

*I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"Behold, I freely give
the living water; thirsty one,
stoop down, and drink, and live!"*
*I came to Jesus, and I drank
of that life-giving stream;
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
and now I live in Him.*

*I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"I am this dark world's Light;
look unto Me, thy morn shall rise,
and all thy day be bright!"*
*I looked to Jesus, and I found
in Him my Star, my Sun;
and in that Light of life I'll walk,
till all my journey's done.*

Jesse Bunn - Gardening Maintenance Service

I am currently looking for work within the local area (to help raise funds for inter-rail travel in Europe).

Myself and a friend have started this business to help the local community (and their gardens) as summer approaches.

I have three months experience and ten (and growing) trusted clients in Worcester.

I will be working up until August.

Prices – Free to come and take a look/ chat about your needs. Happy to negotiate pricing. Jobs covered include: Weeding, planting, trimming, mowing, watering, grouting, cleaning paths, tidying sheds and painting. If you think I can be of service, please contact me on: 07701 348229/jcbunn3000@gmail.com