

Parish Church of Barbourne St. Stephen

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

Sunday 15th October 2023

Trinity 19

Opening Hymn: **21** All my hope on God is founded

Readings: Isaiah 25.1-9 David Anwyl-Hughes
Philippians 4.1-9 Kevin Maltby

Gradual Hymn: **158** Father hear the prayer we offer

Gospel: Matthew 22.1-14

Sermon

Intercessions: David Anwyl-Hughes

To the bidding: Lord, come to bless us:

Please respond: **fill us with your Spirit**



Offertory Hymn: **706** The Lord's my shepherd

Communion Hymns: I cannot tell (words over)(choir)

331 Jesus the Word has lived among us

159 Father I place into your hands

Final Hymn: **745** To God be the glory

Next Sunday – Trinity 20

8.00am - Said Holy Communion

Readings: Isaiah 45.1-7

John Swindin

1 Thessalonians 1.1-10

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Gospel: Matthew 22.15-22

Intercessions: Diana Fulbrook



10.00am - Family Service

Readings: Isaiah 45.1-7

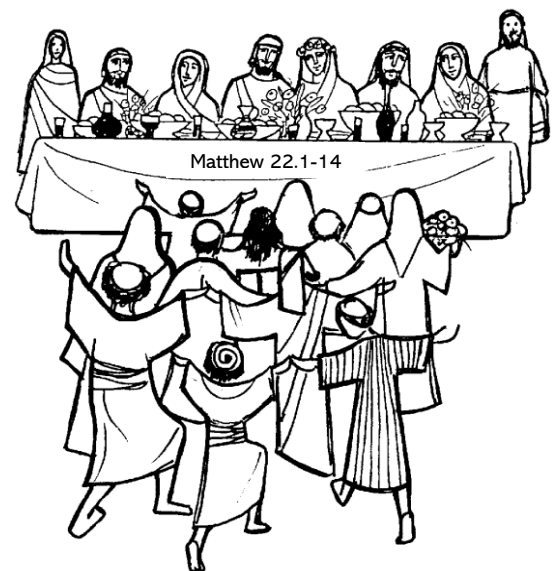
Linda Dunmore

1 Thessalonians 1.1-10

Neil Humphries

Gospel: Matthew 22.15-22

Intercessions: Vivien Greenow



Matthew 22.1-14

"Go into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet".

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

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

Next meetings: 16th October & 30th October.

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:

16th October - Marguerite Collins is returning for 'Inside Crown Court'

6th November Discover History with Paul Harding.



A Better Way to Give Regularly to Church

The Church of England has introduced the 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 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

Monday & Wednesday 8.20am Morning Prayer

Tuesday & Thursday 5.30pm Evening Prayer

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

Commemoration of the Faithful Departed Service - Sunday 29th October – 6.30pm

This years Commemoration of the Faithful departed service will take place on 29th October at 6.30pm. Please do record the names of any loved ones you would like to be remembered either on the sheets at the back of Church or by emailing Lindsey or Michelle.

MOTHERS' UNION FESTIVAL SERVICE FOR WORCESTER ARCHDEACONRY

TRANSFORMATION NOW: ENCOUNTERING JESUS

TIME: 2.00 pm Tuesday 17th October

PLACE: St. George's Church, Barbourne, Worcester.

LOCATION: St George's Square, WR1 1HX

Please consider joining us for this happy occasion. It will be a service of Holy Communion, with Reverend Stephen Buckley our Chaplain, presiding. The speaker will be Julia Jamieson, one of the Worldwide Trustees of Mothers' Union. Afterwards, members from St. George's and Claines invite us to refreshments in the Magdalene Room.

Joint Churches Youth Group

The next Joint Churches Youth Group is meeting on the 22nd October at Claines Church Institute (WR3 7RW) from 4-6pm.

The group is called POG – Path of God and meets monthly, sometimes at St. Georges and sometimes in Claines; there is also scope for us to meet at St. Stephen's.

If you have children or grandchildren aged 9+ or know of any other aged 9+ children who'd like to come along, please feel free to share this invitation. The group meets from 4-6pm and everyone has supper together - pizza, hot dogs, or whatever is voted for! This is followed by different activities and all are welcome to join in as much or little as they prefer. Parents - please email any queries to:

rebeccalowe100@hotmail.co.uk

It's a great way to make new friends and enjoy games, sports, crafts and more. You can also bring a friend!

Harvest/Christian Aid

- Thank you!

We have now raised an amazing £500.70! for Christian Aid. The money will go to very worthy causes. Thanks again to everyone who helped, made or bought cakes! Margaret.



Table Top Sale - BA Hall - Sat 28th October

- In aid of a second classroom in Zambia

Sale in the Bishop Allenby Hall on Saturday 28th October from 10.00am onwards. Drinks, cake, books, jigsaws, jewellery, clothes and gifts. Donations welcome. Many thanks, Margaret

Church Clean – Friday 27th

Volunteers wanted to help us spruce up the Church between 1 and 3 pm on 27th October. Please try to join us. Everyone welcome.

Ruth (ruth.scotson@gmail.com)

Philomusica Concert - Saturday 11th

November at 7.30pm at St. Stephen's

Programme to include Greater Love Hath No Man by John Ireland, Handel's Messiah part 1 and A Christmas Cantata by Geoffrey Bush (nothing like getting into the Christmas spirit early!!)

Tickets £10 available on the door or from philomusica.org.uk/tickets

Vocal Score Concert

Thank you for all those who attended the Vocal, Score concert last Saturday evening.

It was a wonderful evening raising a further £200 towards updating the Childrens area.

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

TINNED FOODS, LONG LIFE FRUIT JUICE & MILK, CEREAL, NOODLE POTS, CREAM CRACKERS, WET & DRY DOG FOOD, TOMATO PUREE, COOKING OIL, PACKET SEASONING, TOMATO/BROWN SAUCE, MIXED HERBS, SUGAR, TEA, COFFEE, HOT CHOCOLATE, WASHING UP LIQUID, UNISEX TOILETRIES, TOILET ROLLS, NAPPIES (SIZE 5-7).

Please no foods that's needs refrigerating.

THERE IS A FULL SHOPPING LIST IN THE PORCH OR ON

www.worcester.foodbank.org.uk

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

