

# Parish Church of Barbourne St. Stephen

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

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2024**

**Trinity 15**

Opening Hymn: **738** Thou whose almighty word  
Readings: Isaiah 35.4-7a Ruth Scotson  
James 2.1-10, 14-17 Nigel Wake  
Gradual Hymn: 326 Jesus is Lord! Creation's voice...  
Gospel: Mark 7.24-37  
Sermon  
Intercessions: David-Anwyl-Hughes  
To the bidding: Lord, Hear us  
Please respond: **Lord, graciously hear us**  
Offertory Hymn: **37** Alleluia, sing to Jesus  
Communion Hymns:  
**214** God is love and where true love is  
**285** I, the Lord of sea and sky  
Final Hymn: **701** The kingdom of God is justice and joy



## **Next Sunday – Trinity 16**

### **8.00am - Holy Communion**

Readings: Isaiah 50.4-9a Diana Fulbrook  
James 3.1-12 Diana Fulbrook

Gospel: Mark 8.27-38  
Intercessions: Diana Fulbrook

### **10.00am - Family Service**

Readings: Isaiah 50.4-9a Linda Trow-Poole  
James 3.1-12 Paul Kennett

Gospel: Mark 8.27-38  
Intercessions: Paul Kennett



## **CRAFT & CHATTER (Every 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the Month)**

10.30-12.30. Will run alongside Open Church. If you knit, crochet, sew, or craft, do come along. Open to all.

## **AFTER SERVICE REFRESHMENTS – 10.00AM**

Tea, coffee, squash and biscuits are served in church following the 10.00am service. Why not stay for a drink, biscuit and a chat. It's a chance to get to know everyone. **A warm and friendly welcome to all.**



## **SUNDAY STARS**



Informal Worship for Little Ones and their Grownups  
Meets on the first Sunday of the month from 9.00  
9.30. In the Bishop Allenby Hall (next to the church)

## **GOOD COMPANIONS (Meet in church at 2.30pm)**

### **Next meetings:**

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September** - Board Games.

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October** - Eagle and Sun lunch - In cars



## **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 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 you can look at PGS's website.

## **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



"Even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs"

Mark 7.24-37

## **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](mailto:mwalsh.ststephens@outlook.com)  
Please send by Thursday - 10.00am if you wish it to be included in the following Sunday's pew sheet.

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# THIS WEEK'S NOTICES

## **Beryl Bremner's Memorial Service**

**St Stephen's Church - Wed 11<sup>th</sup> Sept 12pm**

Beryl Bremner Memorial will take place at St Stephen's at midday on Wednesday 11<sup>st</sup> September. Refreshments will be provided after the service. All are welcome.

**"The Science and Faith Worcester group** invite you to join them on **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September** for a video presentation and discussion, entitled "By design: scientific evidence for a creator?" Three leading thinkers look at the latest scientific discoveries that call Darwin's Theory of Evolution into question. After each excerpt, we will pause for discussion. Doors open at 7.30pm for coffee and cake, and the talk will begin at 8pm. We meet in the hall at Worcester Baptist Church, Sansome Walk, Worcester WR1 1LN. For more information, please visit [www.scienceandfaithworcester.org](http://www.scienceandfaithworcester.org)

**Connect** – The new worship service beginning on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October. Please speak to Lindsey if you have any questions or if you'd like to help plan and deliver this monthly service.

**Worcester Deanery Prayer Event** 'No Limits! 7-9pm on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September at St. Helen's Church, High Street, Worcester. An opportunity to move around a number of different prayer stations praying for our churches and communities.

## **Compassionate/Community Church**

Thank you for your engagement - do please take a look at the display boards in the north aisle where you'll find the really helpful feedback and ideas that were offered during our drop-in coffee sessions. Do please continue to come and chat with either Lindsey, Kevin or Ruth if any further thoughts come to mind.

**POG Youth Group** - Join us on **September 22<sup>nd</sup> 2pm-4pm** in the BA Hall.

**Call for Fayre Volunteers** We are still in need of a few more volunteers for our Autumn Fayre. If you are available, even if its just a few hours, please speak to or email Michelle, Lindsey, Kevin, Ruth, we would love to hear from you!



## **AUTUMN FAYRE - 21<sup>st</sup> September**

### **LAST CALL FOR DONATIONS**

**(Less than 2 weeks to Go!!!)**

**Bottles** - We are gratefully accepting any 'bottle' donations for our bottle Tombola. We will gladly accept **ANY** bottle; alcohol, fizz, toiletries - anything in a bottle! Please leave any donations in the Tower Room.



**Chocolate & Sweets** We are also gratefully accepting any donations of chocolates or sweets. Please leave any donations in the Tower Room.



**New/ Unused Gifts** If anyone has any new but unwanted gifts to sell (not books) Please leave in the rear pews for collection.

**THANK YOU!!!**

## **Autumn Fayre Raffle Tickets**

Now available at the back of church.



**Please don't forget to return any used or unused stubs! Thank you and Good Luck!**

## **Call for Bakers/Cakes – Autumn Fayre**

To get ahead this year we are calling out to any potential bakers.... for any cakes or bakes in readiness for the Autumn Fayre. Maybe think about baking something early (we don't mind cakes that have been frozen or are baked early and need freezing. Any offerings will be gratefully accepted! **Freezer Space** – If you require freezer space, we have freezer space in the hall, so please give any offerings to Ruth, Kevin or Lindsey. Thank you.



**The Garden stall at the Autumn Fayre** are seeking helpers, garden equipment, plants /  produce especially apples & pumpkins if you have any to spare in September. Anything 'garden' will be most welcome. Plants - hardy perennials, tree or shrub saplings, alpines or houseplants. Please speak to Chris: 07775938097. Thank you.



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