



Connection

Sunday 6th September 2020
Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Collect

Almighty God,
who called your Church to bear witness
that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself:
help us to proclaim the good news of your love,
that all who hear it may be drawn to you;
through him who was lifted up on the cross,
and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Reading: Romans 13: 8-end

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, 'You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet'; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Reading: Matthew 18: 15-20

Jesus spoke to his disciples. 'If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax-collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.'

Post Communion Prayer

God our creator,
you feed your children with the true manna,
the living bread from heaven:
let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage
until we come to that place
where hunger and thirst are no more;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Requests for Prayers

If there is someone or something that you would like to pray for please email



Please continue to pray for the ill and isolated, frontline, hospital and medical staff and for the children as they return to school.

Those who are sick: Roy and Margaret Putnam, Richard Clements, Simon Collett

We continue to pray for: Don Dufty, Percy and Sharon Blizzard, Jackie Pickford, Clive Hunt

Those in residential care: Sheila Bigland-Gibbons, Barbara Milton

Those who have died and their families: Jon Doney, Barbara Howell, John Bennett, Charles Bigland-Gibbons, John Bolton, Arthur Ore, Joan Green, Brian Druce, Pamela Law, Charles Brazier, Nils Wilkes

Anniversary of a death: Please pray for those who have lost loved ones

Church Services

The church services this week will be at:



9.00am Chapel of Ease, Bredon's Norton



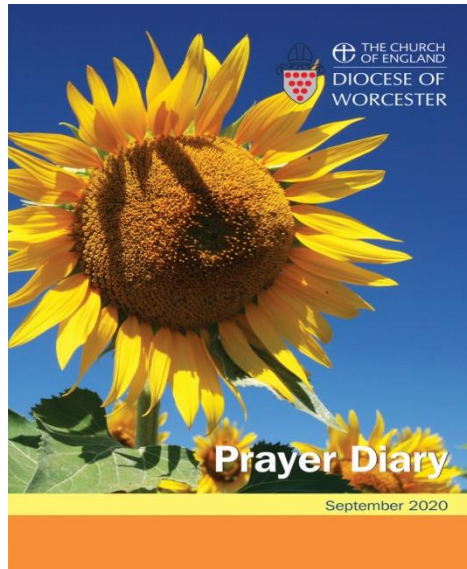
10.30am St Mary's, Elmley Castle

September Services

Date	Church	Time	Minister
13 th Sept	Holy Trinity, Eckington	9.00am	Reverend Allison Davies
	St Barbara's, Ashton Under Hill	10.30am	Reverend Allison Davies
20 th Sept	St Mary's, Elmley Castle	9.00am	Archdeacon Robert Jones
	St Giles', Bredon	10.30am	Reverend Allison Davies
27 th Sept	St Faith's, Overbury	9.00am	Reverend Catherine Lack
	Holy Trinity, Eckington	10.30am	Reverend Allison Davies

News from the Diocese

Prayers and diocesan news can be found at www.cofe-worcester.org.uk



Join the Diocese this September for More Open Conversations

Following the open conversations held around the Diocese at the start of the year, in September we are offering a series of further opportunities to engage with the process as we look at how we can effectively resource a healthy and sustainable Church into the future.

It will be a chance to hear more about the strategy for mission and ministry across the Diocese and think about how it might impact on your own church. Only by working together can we ensure that God's Kingdom continues to grow in Worcestershire and Dudley.

These meetings will be held online using Zoom, but will follow a similar format to the previous open conversations, with opportunities for people to contribute in small groups.

To find out more about the dates and times, or to book a place, please visit <https://buff.ly/34PgvYL> or follow this link to the Diocesan Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/138086742903786/posts/3302265986485830/?substory_index=0

Reverend Allison Davies

Vicar of Eckington, Defford with Besford and Associate Priest for the churches of the Bredon Hill Group

