



**Churches in Bridgnorth'**

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Linking the parishes of Bridgnorth, Tasley, Astley Abbots, Oldbury, Quatford, Morville, Aston Eyre, Acton Round, Monkhopton

Hon. Assistant Ministers: Revd. Marjorie Brooks, Revd Simon Boxall, Revd Clive Parr and Anna Chaplain and Team Reader: Jane Peeler

**Wednesdays – St Mary's - 10.30am Morning Prayer 1<sup>st</sup>,2<sup>nd</sup>,4<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays**  
**10.30am Holy Communion – St Mary's – 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday**

**Sun 4<sup>th</sup> August Tenth Sunday after Trinity (Green)**

- 9.00 Morning Prayer – Astley Abbots
- 10.00 Morning Prayer – Monkhopton
- 10.30 Holy Communion - St Mary's
- 10.30 Holy Communion – Tasley
- 10.30 Family Service – St Leonard's HC
- 10.30 Family Service and Baptism – Oldbury
- 11.15 Morning Prayer – Morville

**Sat 10<sup>th</sup> August**

- 10.00 Coffee Shop - St Mary's

**Sun 11<sup>h</sup> August Eleventh Sunday after Trinity (Green)**

- 9.30 Family Service – Astley Abbots
- 10.00 Holy Communion – Acton Round
- 10.00 Morning Prayer – Aston Eyre
- 10.30 Morning Prayer - St Mary's
- 10.30 Family Service – Tasley
- 10.30 Holy Communion – Quatford
- 11.15 Morning Prayer – Morville

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: 11<sup>th</sup> August - Eleventh Sunday after Trinity (Green) Ephesians 4:25-5:2, John 6:35,41-51 and Psalm 34:1-8**

**Vacancy prayer** - Give thanks for all those clergy and lay people who are giving so freely of their time, energy, and gifts in serving the churches and parishes during the vacancy, and ask for God's continuing strengthening of them.

**St Mary's Connect – Third Tuesday of the month–** at The Shakespeare Inn – for lunch and chat. If you would like to join us please contact Mrs Helen Howells 01746 763066 to book a place– **Next date we will meet is Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> August**



**Eco Eric's Tip:** We can do our bit to help bees by planting a range of flowers so they have access to nectar from March to October. Bees love traditional cottage garden flowers and native wildflowers such as primrose, foxglove, lavender and marigolds. If you find a bumblebee that appears to be struggling, it may have run out of energy. The best thing to do is gently place it on a bee-friendly flower. Alternatively, mix 50:50 white sugar and water to give it an energy boost. Offer a drop or two to the bee on a teaspoon or upturned drinks cap allowing it time to recuperate.

## COLLECT

Let your merciful ears, O Lord,  
be open to the prayers of your humble servants;  
and that they may obtain their petitions  
make them to ask such things as shall please you;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen

## Ephesians 4:1-16

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said, 'When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people.' (When it says, 'He ascended', what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knitted together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

## PSALM 78:23-29

God commanded the skies above, and opened the doors of heaven; he rained down on them manna to eat, and gave them the grain of heaven. Mortals ate of the bread of angels; he sent them food in abundance. He caused the east wind to blow in the heavens, and by his power he led out the south wind; he rained flesh upon them like dust, winged birds like the sand of the seas; he let them fall within their camp, all around their dwellings. And they ate and were well filled, for he gave them what they craved. Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit as it was in the beginning is now and shall be forever. Amen

## POST COMMUNION

God of our pilgrimage,  
you have willed that the gate of mercy  
should stand open for those who trust in you:  
look upon us with your favour  
that we who follow the path of your will may never  
wander from the way of life; through Jesus Christ  
our Lord. Amen

## John 6:24-35

So when the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus. When they found him on the other side of the lake, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered them, 'Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.' Then they said to him, 'What must we do to perform the works of God?' Jesus answered them, 'This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.' So they said to him, 'What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, "He gave them bread from heaven to eat." ' Then Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' They said to him, 'Sir, give us this bread always.' Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.