



**'Churches in Bridgnorth'**

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

**Priest in Charge:** Revd. Suzan Williams, **Hon. Assistant Ministers:** Revd. Marjorie Brooks, Revd Simon Boxall, 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 19<sup>th</sup> January –Epiphany 2 (White)**

- 9.00 Morning Prayer – Astley Abbots
- 10.30 Morning Prayer – St Mary's
- 10.30 Holy Communion – Tasley
- 10.30 Family Communion – St Leonard's HC
- 10.30 Holy Communion – Oldbury
- 11.15 Morning Prayer – Morville
- 16.00 The journey of the wise men – St Mary's (see below)

**Mon 20<sup>th</sup> January**

- 14.00 Happiness Lab – Shakespeare Function Room

**Tues 21<sup>st</sup> January**

- 12.30pm St Mary's Connect Lunch – Shakespeare

**Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup> January**

- 10.00 Little Stars – St Mary's

**Sat 25<sup>th</sup> January –**

- 10.00 Coffee Shop – St Mary's

**Sun 26<sup>th</sup> January –Epiphany 3 (White)**

- 9.00 Holy Communion – Astley Abbots
- 10.00 Holy Communion – Aston Eyre
- 10.30 Family Service/Baptism – St Mary's
- 10.30 Holy Communion – Quatford
- 11.15 Morning Prayer – Morville

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Sun 26<sup>th</sup> January Epiphany 3 (White) 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a, Luke 4:14-21 and Psalm 19**

**N.B. CHANGE OF VENUE – From Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January 14.00 - the Happiness Lab will be held in the Shakespeare Function Room from 2pm.**

**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 Catherine Wilson on 01746 761786 to book a place– **Next date we will meet is Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2025**

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January at 4pm – St Mary Magdalene Bridgnorth** – Come and explore the journey of the 'wise men'. Enjoy an interactive session where through food, crafts, discussion and singing we explore what it means to unpack the greatest gift at Christmas that we may not have opened yet. Contact Suzan for more details. [revwilliams1991@icloud.com](mailto:revwilliams1991@icloud.com)

**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> of February 9.30-4pm** 'Tell our story, dream with God' A day with Christopher Landau from ReSource to begin to explore what God might be calling us to be, do and pray in. Contact Suzan for more details [rectorbridgnorthandmorville@gmail.com](mailto:rectorbridgnorthandmorville@gmail.com)



Next weekend is the RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch. Why not take part in this fun and useful activity for yourself or all the family? It only takes an hour anytime between 24<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> January. Results over the 46 years since it began have shown big decreases in song thrushes and house sparrows although goldfinches have increased. With declining bird populations generally it's important we do all we can to look after our birdlife and understand what's happening. Check out the RSPB website for more details and a handy guide to identifying garden birds: [www.rspb.org.uk/whats-happening/big-garden-birdwatch](http://www.rspb.org.uk/whats-happening/big-garden-birdwatch)

## **COLLECT**

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; 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

### **1 Corinthians 12:1-11**

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says 'Let Jesus be cursed!' and no one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

### **Psalms 36:5-10**

Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds. Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, your judgements are like the great deep; you save humans and animals alike, O Lord. How precious is your steadfast love, O God! All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings. They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights. For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light. O continue your steadfast love to those who know you, and your salvation to the upright of heart! 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 glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen

### **John 2:1-11**

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.