W E L C O M E . . . News Sheet Sunday

Sunday 23rd February 2025



Churches in Bridgnorth

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Linking the parishes of Bridgnorth, Tasley, Astley Abbotts, 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 - Holy Communion	
Sun 23rd February – 2 Before Lent (Green)9.00Morning Prayer - Astley Abbotts10.00Holy Communion – Aston Eyre10.30Family Communion – St Mary's10.30Holy Communion – Quatford11.15Holy Communion – MorvilleThurs 20th February10.00Little Stars – St Mary's	Sun 2nd March – Sunday next before Lent (Green)9.00Holy Communion - Astley Abbotts10.00Morning Prayer - Monkhopton10.30Holy Communion – St Mary's10.30Family Service – St Leonard's Hall Church10.30Family Service and Baptism – Oldbury11.15Morning Prayer – Morville
Sat 25th February10.00Coffee Shop – St Mary's10.00Chamber Choir rehearsals – St Mary's	Wednesdays in Lent – Compline at 6.30pm See below for venues

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Sun 2nd March – Sunday next before Lent (Green) – 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2, Luke 9:28-36 and Psalm 99

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 18th March.

Saturday 1st March – St James' Hall Church – 10am – 1pm – Bridgnorth Repair Café – Our talented volunteers will help to fix your household items for FREE! Small household electricals and textiles, including lamps, vacuum cleaners, kettles, toaster, radios, electrical tools, clothing, bags, soft toys..... No need to book call in. Enjoy a cuppa and a biscuit. Questions – please contact <u>bridgnorthrepaircafe@gmail.com</u>

Saturday 1st March – St Nicholas Oldbury – 6pm – The John Moore Quire presents A Year of West Gallery Music – Entry free – donations to cover supper gratefully received. – Tickets please email Liz Fisher to give numbers <u>elizabethfisher29@icloud.com</u>

Pancake party Tuesday 4th of March 12-5pm at St Leonard's Hall Church. Come along and enjoy a pancake or two with your favourite topping! And find out more about our Lent course. Alive in Christ https://www.resourcingrenewal.org /alive-in-christ Contact Suzan for more details rectorbridgnorthand morville@gmail.com.

<u>Compline in Lent – Wednesdays all at 6.30pm</u> – 5th March – Astley Abbotts, 12th March – Monkhopton, 19th March – Morville, 26th March – Quatford, 2nd April – Tasley, 9th April – Acton Round, 16th April Tenebrae service at St Mary's

Lent Course (Alive in Christ)– Tuesdays – 7.30-9.30pm St James' Hall Church – 11^{th,} 18th and 25th March, 1st & 8th April. – for more details contact Suzan on 01746 599528 or rectorbridgnorthandmorville@gmail.com

A World Day of Prayer Service will be held at 2:30pm on Friday 7th March at Cartway Methodist Church Bridgnorth



This week we've got good opportunities for addressing the three R's of dealing with waste – "Reduce, Reuse and Recycle". The Repair Café at St James Hall Church on Saturday 1st March (*see separate note above*) means we can take along broken items to be fixed for reuse, rather than adding to waste. Where repair isn't practicable, it's now easier to pop up to the Recycling Centre at Farraday Drive, as trips by car no longer need to be booked in advance! Don't forget they have facilities for recycling over 30 types of materials there, ranging from scrap metal to shoes & from TVs to textiles.

COLLECT

Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever. Amen

Revelation 4

After this I looked, and there in heaven a door stood open! And the first voice, which I had heard speaking to me like a trumpet, said, 'Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this.' At once I was in the spirit, and there in heaven stood a throne, with one seated on the throne! And the one seated there looks like jasper and cornelian, and around the throne is a rainbow that looks like an emerald. Around the throne are twenty-four thrones, and seated on the thrones are twenty-four elders, dressed in white robes, with golden crowns on their heads. Coming from the throne are flashes of lightning, and rumblings and peals of thunder, and in front of the throne burn seven flaming torches, which are the seven spirits of God: and in front of the throne there is something like a sea of glass, like crystal. Around the throne, and on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind: the first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with a face like a human face, and the fourth living creature like a flying eagle. And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and inside. Day and night without ceasing they sing, 'Holy, holy, holy, the Lord God the Almighty, who was and is and is to come.' And whenever the living creatures give glory and honour and thanks to the one who is seated on the throne, who lives for ever and ever, the twenty-four elders fall before the one who is seated on the throne and worship the one who lives for ever and ever; they cast their crowns before the throne, singing, 'You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honour and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created.'

POST COMMUNION

God our creator, by your gift the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise, and the bread of life at the heart of your Church: may we who have been nourished at your table on earth be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross and enjoy the delights of eternity; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Psalm 65

Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion; and to you shall vows be performed, O you who answer prayer! To you all flesh shall come. When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, you forgive our transgressions. Happy are those whom you choose and bring near to live in your courts. We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, your holy temple. By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance, O God of our salvation; you are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas. By your strength you established the mountains; you are girded with might. You silence the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves, the tumult of the peoples. Those who live at earth's farthest bounds are awed by your signs; you make the gateways of the morning and the evening shout for joy. You visit the earth and water it, you greatly enrich it; the river of God is full of water; you provide the people with grain, for so you have prepared it. You water its furrows abundantly, settling its ridges, softening it with showers, and blessing its growth. You crown the year with your bounty; your wagon tracks overflow with richness. The pastures of the wilderness overflow, the hills gird themselves with joy, the meadows clothe themselves with flocks, the valleys deck themselves with grain, they shout and sing together for joy. 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

Luke 8:22-25

One day Jesus got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side of the lake.' So they put out, and while they were sailing he fell asleep. A gale swept down on the lake, and the boat was filling with water, and they were in danger. They went to him and woke him up, shouting, 'Master, Master, we are perishing!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and the raging waves; they ceased, and there was a calm. He said to them, 'Where is your faith?' They were afraid and amazed, and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that he commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him?'