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Churches in Bridgnorth

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

Sunday 1st June Easter 7 (White)

Thursday 5th June

10.00 Little Stars

Saturday 7th June

10.00 Coffee Shop – St Mary's

Start of Haydn Festival until 15th June – St Mary's

Sunday 8th June

12.30-1.30pm Pentecost in Bridgnorth town park 12pm – joint with all churches – if you would like to volunteer at this event, please email Corinne at admin@bridgnorthbaptist.co.uk

Sun – June 8th Pentecost (Red)

Astley Abbotts - AAW 9.30

10.00 Acton Round – Morning Prayer

10.00 Aston Eyre – Morning Prayer

10.30 St Mary's – Holy Communion

Tasley – Family Service 10.30

10.30 Quatford – Holy Communion

11.15 Morville – Morning Prayer

Bridgnorth Town Gardens/Park – Pentecost (Join 12.00 with Baptists)

Sun – June 15th Fathers Day (Green)

Astley Abbotts – Morning Prayer 9.00

10.30 Tasley - Holy Communion (St Leonards Hall Church to join)

St Mary's – Holy Communion 10.30

Oldbury – Morning Prayer 10.30

Morville – Morning Prayer 11.15

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Sun 8th June - Pentecost (red)) -Acts 2: 1-21, John 14: 8-27, Psalm 104: 26-36, 37b

Next Benefice Day: Saturday 14th June 10am - 2pm at Morville village hall. Please come along and prioritise this time together where we will continue to explore as a Benefice the sense of who God is calling us to be and how the outworking of our faith will influence the way in which we seek to reach out to the communities around us. We will worship together, pray together, eat together and spend time expressing our desires, dreams, frustrations and joys.

'If you want to go fast go alone; if you want to go far, go together.' African proverb. Please let Suzan know if you are staying for lunch for catering purposes: rectorbridgnorthandmorville@gmail.com Tel 01746 528599

Anna Chaplaincy Presentations: 12th June 7pm, Cleobury North Village Hall & 10th July 7pm, All Saints Church Hall Broseley You are warmly invited to come along and hear more about the value and work of Anna Chaplains among older people in the community.

World Day of Prayer Summer Gathering with Bring and Share refreshments on Monday 16th June 3 – 4.30pm at No.7 West Castle Street, Bridgnorth. All welcome.

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 17th June.

Easter 7 (White)

Spectacles For Uganda: During her visit on **26**th **June** Sarah Cawdell is collecting generic reading glasses to take back to Uganda. Any donations of unwanted reading glasses to be given to your church warden or to Keely in the office.

Quatford Summer Concert Saturday 28th June, 7pm – St Mary Magdalene, Quatford. Features Bridgnorth Show Choir. £10 tickets include deserts and beverages. Available from Quatford Church choir or pay on the door.

St Mary's Church Fundraising Event: Afternoon Tea with Hazel: 2pm -4pm **Sunday 29**th **June** Come along for sandwiches, freshly baked cakes and refreshments in a beautiful garden. Tickets £7 Venue: 1 The Croft, Bridgnorth, WV15 5AE

COLLECT

O God the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: we beseech you, leave us not comfortless, but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

POST COMMUNION

Eternal God, giver of love and power, your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom: confirm us in this mission, and help us to live the good news we proclaim, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ACTS 16:16-34

one God, now and for ever. Amen.

One, day while we were in Philippi as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, 'These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation.' She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, 'I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.' And it came out that very hour. But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, 'These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.' The crowd joined in attacking them and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them.

Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened, and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, 'Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.' The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?' They answered, 'Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.' They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night, he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

Easter 7 (White)

JOHN 17: 20-end

Jesus said, I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.

PSALM 97

The Lord is king! Let the earth rejoice; let the many coastlands be glad! Clouds and thick darkness are all around him; righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne. Fire goes before him and consumes his adversaries on every side. His lightnings light up the world; the earth sees and trembles. The mountains melt like wax before the Lord, before the Lord of all the earth. The heavens proclaim his righteousness; and all the peoples behold his glory. All worshippers of images are put to shame, those who make their boast in worthless idols; all gods bow down before him. Zion hears and is glad, and the towns of Judah rejoice, because of your judgements, O God. For you, O Lord, are most high over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods. The Lord loves those who hate evil; he guards the lives of his faithful; he rescues them from the hand of the wicked. Light dawns for the righteous, and joy for the upright in heart. Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous, and give thanks to his holy name! Glory to the Son and to the Holy Spirit as it was in the beginning is now and shall be forever. Amen.



Thursday (5th June) is World Environment Day and the theme this year is "Beat Plastic Pollution". Plastic waste has seeped into every corner of the world, leaching into the water we drink, the food we eat, and causing unsightly litter in our towns & countryside. While plastic pollution is a major concern, it is also one of the most fixable of today's environmental challenges and one in which we can all play a part. Make an effort this week to check you are doing all you can to Reduce, Reuse & Recycle plastics. For more information on World Environment Day see: www.worldenvironmentday.global