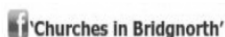




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Wednesdays – St Mary's - 10.30am - Holy Communion

### Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2025 St Matthew (Red)

Deanery Confirmation moved to Little Wenlock  
Please contact Suzan for more information 15.00

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September** 14.00-16.00  
Spiritual Core Series Week 2,  
Methodist Church

Little Stars, St Mary's 10.00

**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September**  
St Mary's Coffee Shop 10.00

Flix In The Stix with Fish & Chips 19.00  
Tasley Village Hall  
Film: David Attenborough - Ocean  
Contact Bob & Ann for tickets (£12) Tel: 01746 764881

Knitted Bible Exhibition, St Mary's  
25<sup>th</sup> September – 7<sup>th</sup> October

### Sun – September 28<sup>th</sup>

10.00 Astley Abbots – Café church  
10.00 Aston Eyre – Holy Communion  
10.30 St Mary's – Family Service/Baptism  
10.30 Tasley – Life & Soul  
10.30 Quatford – Holy Communion  
11.15 Morville – Holy Communion

### Sun – October 5<sup>th</sup>

9.00 Astley Abbots – Holy Communion  
10.30 St Mary's – Holy Communion  
10.30 Tasley – Morning Prayer  
10.30 St Leonard's Hall Church – Family Service  
10.30 Oldbury - Harvest Service  
11.15 Morville – Harvest Service  
18.00 Monkhopton – Harvest Service

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Sun 28<sup>th</sup> September – Fifteenth Sunday After Trinity (green): 1 Timothy 6: 6-19, Luke 16: 19-end, Psalm 91: 1-6, 14-end.**

**St Mary's Connect – Third Tuesday of the month, 12.30pm–** 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> October.**

**Spiritual Core Series for 8 weeks from 18<sup>th</sup> September – 6<sup>th</sup> November, 2pm – 4pm Methodist Church** – contact Jane Peeler for details: T: 07419 131887 E: [annachaplainbtm@yahoo.com](mailto:annachaplainbtm@yahoo.com)

**Ladies Brunch 11am Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> October at The Shakespeare.** This is a joint event with the Baptist church to be held on the first Saturday of each month. To book, email: [corinne.james@bridgnorthbaptist.co.uk](mailto:corinne.james@bridgnorthbaptist.co.uk) Tel 01746 768129

**The office will be closed from Friday 5<sup>th</sup> to Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> September** due to Keely being on annual leave. Please contact Suzan with anything urgent. Tel: 07840 521499.  
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Farmers in developing countries, have done the least to contribute to climate change, yet are disproportionately affected by it. Fair prices for their products are a vital step out of poverty. Tomorrow is the start of Fairtrade Fortnight running from 22<sup>nd</sup> September -5<sup>th</sup> October, so let's make an effort to buy some fairly traded products and help farmers throughout the world receive fair prices and better working conditions. Look out for the Fairtrade logo and see the website for more information. [www.fairtrade.org.uk](http://www.fairtrade.org.uk)

## St Matthew (Red)

### COLLECT

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Almighty God, whose blessed son called Matthew the tax collector to be an apostle and evangelist, give us grace to forsake the selfish pursuit of gain and the possessive love of riches, that we may follow in the way of your son Jesus Christ who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### POST COMMUNION

Almighty God, who on the day of Pentecost sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles with the wind from heaven and in the tongues of flame, filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel: by the power of the same Spirit strengthen us to witness to your truth and to draw everyone to the fire of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### 2 Corinthians 4: 1-6

Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practise cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth, we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God. And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness', who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

### Matthew 9: 9-13

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, 'Follow me.' And he got up and followed him. And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax-collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, 'Why does your teacher eat with tax-collectors and sinners?' But when he heard this, he said, 'Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, "I desire mercy, not sacrifice." For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.'

### PSALM 119: 65-72

**You have dealt well with your servant, O Lord, according to your word.** Teach me good judgement and knowledge, for I believe in your commandments. **Before I was humbled, I went astray, but now I keep your word.** You are good and do good; teach me your statutes. **The arrogant smear me with lies, but with my whole heart I keep your precepts.** Their hearts are fat and gross, but I delight in your law. **It is good for me that I was humbled, so that I might learn your statutes.** The law of your mouth is better to me than thousands of gold and silver pieces. **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.**