

THE KIDDERMINSTER EAST PARISH NEWSLETTER

Churches of St Cassian's, St Cecilia's, St Chad's, St George's & St Mary's Stone

20th January 2019

3RD SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY

A warm welcome to our services

COLLECT

God of all mercy, your Son proclaimed good news to the poor, release to the captives, and freedom to the oppressed: anoint us with your Holy Spirit and set all your people free to praise you in Christ our Lord.

READINGS

Isaiah 62: 1 - 5; 1 Corinthians 12: 1 - 11; John 2: 1 - 11

SUNDAY 20TH JANUARY		
ST CASSIAN'S		
9:30am	Holy Communion	
ST CECILIA'S		
11:00am	Holy Communion	
ST CHAD'S		
9:30am	Morning Worship	
ST MARY'S, STONE		
8:00am	Holy Communion	
11:00am	Morning Worship	
ST GEORGE'S		
11:00am	Worship for All & Baptism	
6:30pm	Evening Prayer	

K.E.Y. (Kidderminster East Youth) meet this evening at St. Chad's from 6:00 - 7:30pm

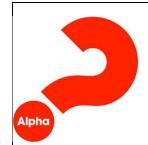


HOMEGROUPS Anyone interested in joining a homegroup? They meet across the parish, usually fortnightly, to do some **learning from the Bible together**, pray and have some fun too!

Then, in Lent, they will be looking at **Handel's Messiah** as a base for conversations and enjoying some music too. Anyone fancy starting or hosting a new group, or your group needs to multiply and grow? **Please do let us know**. Ask the clergy, anyone in a group or the Parish Office.

Following the "open" PCC meeting on Monday evening with Archdeacon Nikki Groarke, there will be a further **Extraordinary meeting of the PCC** on **Thursday 24**th **January** at St Chad's Church at 7:30pm to progress the parish approach to the forthcoming vacancy for Team Rector.

St Cassian's are holding a fundraising Quiz at Rowberry's on Friday Feb 1st @ 7pm Teams of 6, £10 a head. Please see poster for more information.



ALPHA 2019 – We are making progress in making this happen. If you would be interested in taking part in an Alpha course, to find out more about the Christian faith or perhaps to go "back to basics", please contact the Clergy or Parish Office. Please see the back page of this newsletter for e-mail / phone numbers.

We also need leaders / helpers, food and, possibly, a host. Please also contact us **by Sunday 27**th **January**, if you think you can help in any way.

Some of you will have heard that business has been difficult in recent years for **Traidcraft**. After consultation, they have decided to restructure the business and concentrate on core grocery lines and much fewer craft lines. We are hoping to continue our support of Traidcraft, though on a much reduced scale and will keep you informed of developments. In the meantime, we are **selling all our existing stock at half price or less**. It will be on sale at **St George's TODAY** & **at St Chad's on 3rd February**.

Let's Party - Special Parish Celebration!!

The Parish Communications Group would love to invite everyone in the parish to a special celebration event on Saturday 9th February between 4 & 6pm at St George's Church.

Come and celebrate all that is good about our Parish.

New Parish website to be revealed!!!

Parish Prayerlink - You can email your prayer requests to:

prayerlink@kidderminstereast.org.uk Our prayer team across the whole parish will then be happy to pray for you. Please see fliers / prayer request forms in church for more information. Also, if you want to become part of the parish e-mail prayer team, please e-mail the same address.



CHILDREN'S SOCIETY BOXES Please can you bring your Children's Society boxes in to be emptied. If you would like a box, please contact Jan Ferguson on K. 630431. Jan would also be happy to receive any oddments of foreign currency to forward to the Society. Many thanks to all for your support.

Taizé Worship for Week of Prayer for Christian Unity on Wednesday 23rd January at St. Cassian's Church @ 7:00pm. Everyone very welcome.

The Salvation Army are starting an exciting project on Mondays to provide a Soup Kitchen. If you are able to help at all, please contact Bryan Smith on 07711 316025 or bryan.smith248@yahoo.co.uk.

Hugh's last morning service on March 3rd will be followed by a Parish Lunch at St George's. Everyone is, of course, invited. More details to follow.

St George's Ladies Lunch - Monday February 4th 12.00noon at Island Pool, Wolverhampton Road. Please sign the sheet at the back of St George's Church, if you would like to come, by the last Sunday in January. Any questions, please ask Sue Bamber or Katie Hudson.

Living Embers – Wyre Forest Ecumenical Christian Ladies Group: Weds 6th Feb 9:45am for 10:15am @ Jubilee International Church. This month's theme will be "Love".

Kidderminster Repair Café needs another volunteer to serve drinks & cakes (and also soup & bread to other volunteers) on the first Saturday of each month between 10am-2pm. If you can help, please contact Alison on 01562 824490.

The SPRING WARM (Worcester Anglican Renewal Ministries) Day on Monday 18th March at Holland House, Cropthorne. Speaker will be **Bishop Robert Paterson** and his topic is: "WHAT ON EARTH IS THE CHURCH FOR?" Bookings required by THURSDAY 7TH MARCH 2019 – payment of £17.00 on the day inclusive of coffee, lunch and tea. Please book your place with The Reverend Canon Richard Thorniley, Chairman of WARM, Tel: 01386 870527 Email: rector@archbenefice.org.uk

Kidderminster Foodbank currently need sugar, washing tablets, washing up liquid, tins of spaghetti, tins of carrots, fish, custard, rice pudding and fruit squash.

Requests for Prayer:

- "Open the Book" teams going into our schools;
- Marriage Preparation Course and those attending / leading / helping;
- The PCC and the focus group, yet to be appointed, working on the vacancy process.

Would you like to be included in the PARISH NEWSLETTER FOR PRAYER? PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE FOR MORE DETAILS.

COFFEE SPOT:



CAFÉ CHAD open every Mon & Weds 9:15am-12:30pm ST GEORGE'S COFFEE SHOP: open every Friday from 10am to 12noon. MEET AND EAT: Every Monday at 5pm in Morrisons Café.

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Monday 21st January

Share & Care, Chaddesley Corbett 10:30am – 12noon @ Beth's House Marriage Prep Course 7:00 - 9:30pm @ St Cecilia's Calling Young Disciples Core Group meeting 7:00pm @ The Rectory

WEDNESDAY 23rd JANUARY

Holy Communion10:15am @ St George's Knit & Natter 2 - 4 pm @ St George's Young @ Heart 2 – 4pm @ St Cecilia's Taizé Service for Christian Unity 7:00pm @ St Cassian's

TUESDAY 22ND JANUARY

Tuesday Group 10:00am @ St Chad's St George's Toddlers 10am - 11:30am Standing Committee 7:30pm

THURSDAY 24TH JANUARY

Extraordinary PCC Meeting 7:30pm @ St Chad's

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1 Corinthians 13: Luke 2: 22 - 40

St Chad's 'Babies & Toddlers' 10-11:30am

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READINGS:

Ezekiel 43: 27 – 44: 4:

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