



KIDDERMINSTER EAST PARISH  
Five Churches One Parish One Lord

# THE KIDDERMINSTER EAST PARISH NEWSLETTER

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

13<sup>th</sup> September 2020

**14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

*A warm welcome to our services online and in our churches*

## SUNDAY 13<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

All churches in the parish are now open. The latest to reopen after the Coronavirus lockdown is **St Mary's, Stone**, with a live service of Holy Communion. We look forward to welcoming you to one of these services in the parish this week:

<b>9:30am</b>	<b>Worship for All</b>	<b>St Cassian's Church</b>
<b>11:00am</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b>	<b>via Zoom</b>
<b>11:00am</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>	<b>St Mary's Church, Stone</b>
<b>3:00pm</b>	<b>Evening Prayer</b>	<b>St Cecilia's Church</b>
<b>3:00pm</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>	<b>St Chad's Church</b>
<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Evening Prayer</b>	<b>St George's Church</b>

If you're attending for the first time since reopening please read the sheet explaining [what to expect at church services](#), which includes the **wearing of face coverings**.

If you haven't "attended" the **11:00am Zoom service** before, please send an email to [parishcomms@kidderminstereast.org.uk](mailto:parishcomms@kidderminstereast.org.uk) by **12noon on Sat 12<sup>th</sup> September**.

If you cannot attend church services and have no internet, **we would love you to join us for the 11:00am service by phoning the number below** (audio only)

0203 051 2874 (standard rate) **Meeting ID:** 824 1893 7070 **Password:** 743631  
one tap mobile number: +442030512874,,82418937070#,,,,,0#,,743631#

**A children's resource pack**, giving access to a YouTube story, memory verse, colouring & games **is also available** on request by email to [helengrist@gmx.co.uk](mailto:helengrist@gmx.co.uk)

### Readings

Exodus 14: 19 – end  
Romans 14: 1 – 12  
Matthew 18: 21 - 35

### Collect

Merciful God, your Son came to save us  
and bore our sins on the cross:  
may we trust in your mercy and know your  
love, rejoicing in the righteousness  
that is ours through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Following recent Government announcements on the **tightening of restrictions** on public gatherings, we would like to reassure you that as far as we are aware there are no changes that affect the regulations on religious gatherings on our own property so long as we [apply existing restrictions](#) correctly. *David and Robert*

**Individual Church AGMs 2020** Please note that [COVID-19 restrictions](#) apply

**St Chad's Church**, Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September 7:45pm in **St George's Church**.

**St Cecilia's Church**, Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September, 7:45pm in Church.

**Meeting of Parishioners** (for all in the parish) and

**Annual Parochial Church Meeting APCM** (for all on the Parish Electoral Roll):

**Monday 28<sup>th</sup> September** in St George's Church, Radford Avenue at 7:30pm.

**Electoral Roll Review** - To check your entry and for any other queries, please contact Bob / Maddy Smith on 07791 804135. Thank you.

### **Messy Church Christmas Card competition!!**

We'd love you to design a colourful Christmas card cover based on the Christmas story. The competition is open to all Messy Church families. Drawings can be sent to the Parish Office (St Cecilia's Church, 164 Hoo Road, DY10 1LP), or scanned and emailed to [office@kidderminstereast.org.uk](mailto:office@kidderminstereast.org.uk). **Better still**, bring your entries to the **Messy Church Harvest Celebration** at St Chad's Church on **20<sup>th</sup> September** (closing date for entries). There may even be a small prize for the winning design!!

### **Messy Church Harvest Celebration**

**3pm on Sunday 20th September @ St Chad's Church (DY10 3AY)**

**This event is open to all parishioners.** There will be a short outdoor service followed by a picnic together in the garden at the back of the church. Please bring a picnic rug/chairs to sit on. We will serve hot drinks and cake at the end, but do feel free to bring any other drinks or snacks. **Please be aware, there will be NO ACCESS to the church building or toilets.** Each family group will receive a bag of activities - some to use during the service, and some to take home and make/do. Social distancing will be adhered to, and adults must maintain responsibility for children at all times. If you would like to join us, please can you [register using this link](#) or call Elaine on 07747 607216 or email [elaine.voice7@gmail.com](mailto:elaine.voice7@gmail.com). We look forward to seeing you and your families again! *Jude & the Messy Church Team*

### **CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER:**

Please join us **every Thursday** at 7pm for a 20-25 minute Northumbria Community style service, via Zoom. A chance to listen to God, together, in the peace and quiet.

### **PARISH PRAYER:**

The next **Parish Prayer Zoom Meeting** will be on **Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September** from 7:20pm onwards (prayer 7:30 – 8:00pm) and is **open to all in the parish** to pray for our current situation and the work of Christ in the parish & the world.

**To join either of these prayer meetings, please send an email** requesting a copy of the link & password, to: [parishcomms@kidderminstereast.org.uk](mailto:parishcomms@kidderminstereast.org.uk) **by 6pm on the day before the meeting.** Joining details will be sent the next morning. **If you cannot join us by Zoom**, please pray at home at the same time and join as a Parish in prayer.

**Parish Awayday / Healing Service** - Unfortunately, due to current circumstances, the difficult decision has been made to postpone the **Parish Awayday and Healing Service** which was due to take place over the weekend 17<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup> October, at St Chad's Church. It is hoped that arrangements can be made for the event to go ahead sometime in **Lent 2021**. Please pray for this important event for the parish, and for the planning that needs to be made. Thank you.

## Faithful Friday Blog Post from Revd David Hildred for Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September

We read near the end of King David's life, and we are still very aware that he is a mix of characteristics some of which we easily see are Godly and others are far from it. Could it ever be said of us that we are "like the light of sunrise on a cloudless morning"? Yet that is what God says of David, and his grace can be at work in us just the same. And how likely are we to say, "I will not bring offerings that cost me nothing"? But surely that is simply the reaction of David to the grace of God he sees at work in his life. Let's pray that this grace may be seen to be at work in us.

### Daily Readings for the next week:

<b>Mon 14<sup>th</sup> Sept</b>	John 3: 13 - 17	<i>Holy Cross Day</i>
<b>Tues 15<sup>th</sup> Sept</b>	1 Kings 1: 32 - 2: 4 and 2: 10 - 12	
<b>Wed 16<sup>th</sup> Sept</b>	1 Kings 3: 1 - end	<b>Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> Sept</b> 1 Kings 4: 29 - 5: 12
<b>Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Sept</b>	1 Kings 6: 1, 11 - 28	<b>Sat 19<sup>th</sup> Sept</b> 1 Kings 8: 1 - 30

There will be videos from David and Robert on the parish [YouTube channel](#) on Monday and Thursday, based on the above readings. Please take a look.

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**It's STILL not too late** to sign up for [Alpha Online this Autumn](#). First session proper is this **Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> Sept**. Can anyone who is interested in joining please ring Joe or Margaret on 01562 67625, or you can register your interest with the [Parish Office](#).

**Congratulations to Shirley & Melvyn Thompson** on your Diamond Wedding Anniversary; married on **17<sup>th</sup> Sept 1960** at St. George's by the Rev. Leonard Chidzey.

**Many congratulations to David** (son of Gill & Alan) and **Claire Wardle** on their marriage on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> September in Sheffield.

**Help with Breast Cancer:** Maggie Edwards writes: *"Knowing the difficulties of breast cancer and chemo, I would like to offer my positive experiences, my hats and scarves worn when I lost my hair and helpful literature that I have in my possession. If anyone knows of any person I might help, within the parish or outside, please let me know"*. You can call Maggie on 01562 60274 or email [daizee@btinternet.com](mailto:daizee@btinternet.com).

**St Cecilia's house group** will be meeting again as a group but this time it will be **in church**. The first meeting will be **23<sup>rd</sup> September** at 7.30pm. The following dates have also been agreed but are subject to confirmation. Social distancing rules apply: 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> October 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> November and 2<sup>nd</sup> December. We will be studying **Prayer**

The **Foodbank** at Franche Community Church is **still desperately in need of drivers** to deliver food to their clients. If **you** can help please contact Barbara, 01562 636791.

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### **Diocesan News**

The Diocese are holding more **Open Conversations**, this time via Zoom, following up the ones held at the start of the year about the future of the Church. Dates / times are:

<b>Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Sept:</b> 10am - 12noon	<b>Mon 21<sup>st</sup> Sept:</b> 6 - 8pm	<b>Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept:</b> 6 - 8pm
<b>Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> Sept:</b> 6 - 8pm	<b>Mon 28<sup>th</sup> Sept:</b> 2 - 4pm & 6 - 8pm	

To sign up for one of the **Conversations**, please contact the training team with your preferred date on [training@cofe-worcester.org.uk](mailto:training@cofe-worcester.org.uk) or 01905 732812. Options available if you do not have access to Zoom. We would encourage everyone who attended the earlier events to visit <https://www.cofe-worcester.org.uk/open-conversations> and register for a follow-up event so that our Parish has a good representation. Thank you.

## Requests for Prayer:

- Please pray for all those in the parish with responsibility for planning future events in these uncertain times.
- For participants and those organising the parish Alpha course starting this week.
- For Carol Morris, who will be Licensed as a Lay Minister on 19<sup>th</sup> September.

*Would you like to be included in the Parish Newsletter for prayer?  
Please contact the Parish Office and let us know*

## DIARY

All churches are now open, plus we still have a **live online service via Zoom** for those who cannot come to church. For guidance on who should attend services, please see the [separate communication](#) from Revd David Hildred and Revd Robert Legge, sent out towards the end of August and still available on the [parish website](#).

Other parish events are also detailed below:

<b>Monday 14<sup>th</sup> Sept:</b>	7:45pm	St Chad's AGM	St George's
<b>Tues 15<sup>th</sup> Sept:</b>	7:30pm	Alpha: 1 <sup>st</sup> Session	Zoom
<b>Wed 16<sup>th</sup> Sept:</b>	7:45pm	AGM	St Cecilia's
<b>Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> Sept:</b>	7:00pm	Contemplative prayer	Zoom
<b>Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> Sept:</b>	9:30am	Holy Communion	St George's
	11:00am	Morning Worship	Zoom
	11:00am	Morning Worship	St Mary's, Stone
	3:00pm	Harvest + Messy Church	St Chad's
	3:00pm	Holy Communion	St Cecilia's
	6:00pm	Kidderminster East Youth	Zoom
	6:30pm	Evening Prayer	St Cassian's
<b>Wed 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept:</b>	7:20pm	Parish Prayer	Zoom
<b>Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> Sept</b>	7:00pm	Contemplative prayer	Zoom

**Other online resources** are available including the [Children's corner](#), Messy Church [Facebook group](#), Robert's Saturday morning [Children's talk video](#) plus many videos on our [YouTube channel](#), posts on our [Facebook page](#) and on the [parish website](#).

## SUNDAY 20<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

**READINGS:** Exodus 16: 2 - 15    Philippians 1: 21 - end    Matthew 20: 1 - 16

## SUNDAY 27<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

**READINGS:** Exodus 17: 1 - 7    Philippians 2: 1 - 13    Matthew 21: 23 - 32

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