THE KIDDERMINSTER EAST PARISH NEWSLETTER

Encountering God following Jesus Spirit-transforming lives

Churches of St Cassian's, St Cecilia's, St Chad's, St George's & St Mary's Stone Sunday 9th July 2023

Fifth Sunday after Trinity

A Warm Welcome to All our Services

COLLECT

Almighty God, send down upon your Church the riches of your Spirit, and kindle in all who minister the gospel your countless gifts of grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

READINGS

Genesis 24:34-38,42-49,58-end Romans 7:15 - 25a Matthew 11:16-19, 25-end

SUNDAY 9th JULY			
ST CASSIAN'S			
9:30am	Worship for All		
6:30pm	Evensong		
ST CECILIA'S			
11:00am	Morning Worship		
ST CHAD'S			
9:30am	Holy Communion		
ST GEORGE'S			
11:00am	Baptism Service		
ST MARY'S, STONE			
11:00am	Holy Communion		

Midweek Services St Cassian's
Holy Communion at 10:00am
on Wednesday 12th July

St George's
Holy Communion at 10:00am
on Wednesday 19th July

Newsletter Backup

Good News! We have a volunteer—thank you Lord! **Not such good news:** Mark still off sick until the next newsletter—praying for his healing.

Men's Breakfast & Ladies who Leisure

Saturday 15th July. Booking helpful. See website for details.

Summer Lunch & Quiz

Tuesday 18th July. 12:00pm St George's.

Tickets £10 from Jan Ferguson & Chris Griffiths.

Teams of 8 (maximum). See website for details.

Faithful Friday Blog Post from Revd David Hildred for Friday 7th July

Romans 16. We've been through some densely packed chapters with Paul, with some intricately argued lines of theology, and now as we head towards the end of

the letter there seems to be a lighter touch, but his words are still rooted in theology. He is at pains to show that the Gentiles are rightly included in the family of the church, and that is evidenced by all the non-Jewish sounding names in the final chapter. Let's note the variety of groupings – from individuals to households to what sound like small churches (homegroups?). Let's note the variety of ways Paul wants to comment on their contribution to

Daily Readings for week beginning Monday 10 th July			
Date Bible passage			
Mon 10 th	2 Corinthians 1:1-14		
Tue 11 th	2 Corinthians 1:15-2:4		
Wed 12 th	2 Corinthians 2:5-end		
Thu 13 th	Esther 1:1-end		
Fri 14 th	Esther 2:1-end		
Sat 15 th	Esther 3:1-end		

the life of faith. Is there a phrase you could use to encourage someone else today?

Coming up soon ...

Brian Cartwright's funeral Thursday 13th July 1:45pm St George's.

Bereavement Café, Mon 31st July, 2:00pm, St Cecilia's.

KE Bible Reading Group, Thurs 3rd August, 11:00am, Rectory.

Postcard from Northern Ireland, Sat 5th August - online.

Llandudno Coach Trip, Thurs 10th August, 8:30am, St George's - tickets £20 from Jan Ferguson.

Ladies Afternoon Tea

Saturday 22nd July. 2:30pm St Cecilia's A selection of sandwiches, savouries, cakes and scones. All are welcome, please can you email the office on office@kidderminstereast.org.uk or message 07982 248 645 to let us know an idea of numbers. There is no charge but any donations will be gratefully received to help with the costs. We look forward to seeing you on the day.

Parish Prayers Online via Zoom

Morning Prayer at 8:00am:

A great way to start the day. Please see the table opposite to determine which days there is morning prayer over the next two weeks. Prayers

Week	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
10/7	DH	DH	DH	DH	DH	-
17/7	-	-	-	-	-	-

are led by David. If you do not automatically receive a Zoom link please ask for one to be sent to you by emailing the address below. Anyone is welcome to attend.

Parish Prayer Meeting: Our next meeting will be **online via Zoom** on **Wednesday 12**th **July**, at **7:30pm** (login from 7:20pm) for 45 minutes of prayer, worship and praise. Come and pray about the Team Vicar vacancy and other matters. Please join us, you are all very welcome.



To join **any** of the online Prayers please email <u>parishcomms@kidderminstereast.org.uk</u> requesting a copy of the link & password, **by 6:00pm on the day before the meeting.**



Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Times of Services at the Churches of St Cassian's, St Cecilia's, St Chad's, St George's & St Mary's Stone

Sunday 16th July 2023

COLLECT

Creator God, you made us all in your image: may we discern you in all that we see, and serve you in all that we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

READINGS

Genesis 25:19 - end Romans 8:1 - 11 Matthew 13:1 - 9, 18 - 23

SUNDAY 16th JULY			
ST CASSIAN'S			
9:30am	Morning Worship		
ST CECILIA'S			
11:00am	Morning Worship		
ST CHAD'S			
9:30am	Holy Communion		
ST GEORGE'S			
11:00am	Morning Worship		
6:30pm	Evening Prayer		
ST MARY'S, STONE			
11:00am	Holy Communion		

Faithful Friday Blog Post from Revd David Hildred for Friday 14th July

Esther 2. It is true that God is not explicitly mentioned in the book of Esther, but

his guiding hand is there through each chapter as the People of God come under threat. One of the key verses is 4:14 "Who knows but that you have come to royal position for such a time as this?" – God's plan is worked out despite the scheming of others. In these early chapters we see how Esther, a Jew by birth, ends up being the queen of a non-Jewish nation 'at just the right time'. With hindsight we may be able to detect God's hand at work in our lives, even though he has not been explicitly acknowledged. Shall we pray daily to be in

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Date Bible passage			
Mon 17 th	Esther 4:1-end		
Tue 18 th	Esther 5:1-end		
Wed 19 th	Esther 6:1-13		
Thu 20 th	Esther 6:14-7:10		
Fri 21 st	Esther 8:1-end		
Sat 22 nd	John 20:1-2,11-18 <i>Mary Magdalene</i>		

the Lord's placement, at the Lord's timing, to achieve the Lord's plan? .

DIARY

Homegroups meet on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of every month.

Weekly Events

Café Chad	Mondays & Weds	9:15am - 12:15pm	St Chad's
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Knit & Natter/Craft	Mondays	10:00am - 12:00noon	St Chad's
Art Group	Wednesdays	10:00am - 12:00noon	St Chad's
Knit & Natter	Wednesdays	2:00pm - 4:00pm	St George's
Young at Heart	Weds in term time	2:00pm - 4:00pm	St Cecilia's
Coffee Shop/Art table	Fridays	10:00am - 12:00noon	St George's
Meet and Eat	Fridays	12:00noon	Morrison Café

Other events during the next fortnight are listed below

Mon 10 th July	7:00pm	PCC	St Cecilia's
Wed 12 th July	10:00am	Holy Communion	St Cassian's
-	2:00pm	Stone Corner Café	St Mary's Stone
	7:30pm	Prayer Meeting online	Zoom
Sun 16 th July	Church	services are listed elsewhere in this r	newsletter
	6:00pm	KE Youth	St Cecilia's
Mon 17 th July	10:30am	Share & Care	Hill Pool
Wed 19 th July	10:00am	Holy Communion	St George's
Sun 23 rd July	9:30am	Holy Communion	St Cassian's
	9:30am	Morning Worship	St Chad's
	11:00am	Holy Communion	St Cecilia's
	11:00am	Holy Communion	St George's
	11:00am	Morning Worship	St Mary's Stone
	6:30pm	Evensong	St Cassian's

Advance Notice for 30th July There are two options: (a) the Deanery Service of Holy Communion, which is at Gt Witley (open air, take a chair), 10:00am, or, (b) the United Parish Service at St Cecilia's at 10:30am, which is not Communion, but will be Cafe Church style - maybe something new for you to experience.

The next **parish newsletter** will be published on **Friday 21st July,** covering Sundays **23rd July & 30th July**. Please send items for publication, to reach the office by **Wednesday 19th July** at the latest, to news@kidderminstereast.org.uk. Thank

SUNDAY 23rd JULY

READINGS: Genesis 28:10 - 19a

Romans 8:12 - 25 Matthew 13:24 - 30, 36 - 43

SUNDAY 30th JULY

READINGS: Matthew 13:31 - 33, 44 - 52

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