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THE KIDDERMINSTER EAST PARISH NEWSLETTER

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

**Sunday 6th August 2023
Ninth Sunday after Trinity**

A Warm Welcome to All our Services

COLLECT

Gracious Father,
revive your Church in our day,
and make her holy,
strong and faithful,
for your glory's sake
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

READINGS

Genesis 32:22 - 31
Romans 9:1 - 5
Matthew 14:13 - 21

SUNDAY 6th AUGUST

ST CASSIAN'S

9:30am Holy Communion

ST CECILIA'S

11:00am Holy Communion

ST CHAD'S

9:30am Worship for All

ST GEORGE'S

11:00am Morning Worship

6:30pm Evening Prayer

ST MARY'S, STONE

11:00am Holy Communion



Games in the Park - Sunday 6th August

will replace the Board Games Café this month

12:30pm onwards in **Forester Park** off Forester Way, Hoobrook.

Bring a picnic, Bring a chair and Bring a game if you have one.

Everyone is very welcome.



Stone Corner Café

**Wednesday 9th August
at St Mary's Stone**

Call in any time, 2:00pm - 4:00pm
for a chat, a drink
and a slice of cake.
Everyone welcome.



Parish Coach Trip

Our next trip is to **Llandudno**
Thursday 10th August

leaving St George's at 8:30am
and returning around 6:00pm

Cost £20. To book: please
speak to Jan on 01562 630431.



Midweek Services

St Cassian's

Holy Communion at 10:00am
on **Wednesday 9th August**

St George's

Holy Communion at 10:00am
on **Wednesdays 16th August**

"Postcards from Northern Ireland"



All **12 episodes** of this popular video mini-series from the gone-but-not-forgotten Rev Robert Legge are now available online via our [KEP Youtube channel](#). You can also watch via the KEP website page [Postcards from Northern Ireland](#). If you have not had a chance to see any of these short video contemplations why not treat yourself to some quiet time, with a cup of tea and a biscuit and take a look while they are still available and before we sell the whole series to Netflix!

Knit & Natter and Craft Group at Café Chad on Mondays

10:00am - 12:00noon. Come and meet like-minded people in an informal setting with quality refreshments. Contact Joy on 07742 949156.



Knit & Natter

at St George's Church
every Wednesday

2:00pm - 4:00pm

Come for a **knit** or come for a **natter**, either or both are fine!

ABOUND Family Camp - 18th - 21st August 2023

Faith filled fun for the whole family at Lenchwood Christian Centre, Evesham. With Joanna Adeyinka-Burford (CBeebies), 4Front Theatre, storyteller Bob Hartman and lots more. Go to www.virtualsundayschooluk.com for more information and to book tickets.

Parish Prayers Online via Zoom

Morning Prayer with Daily readings at 8:00am: You will have spotted the new layout for this notice, pairing up the daily readings with the days when you can join David, and others from the parish, online via Zoom for Morning Prayer. Please see the tables below for Daily readings. Where you see David's initials in the Zoom column there will be an online prayer that day. We hope you find this new format helpful.

Daily Readings for week beginning Monday 7th August (David is on holiday this week)		
Date	Bible passage	Zoom
Mon 7 th	Jeremiah 36: 19 – end	--
Tue 8 th	Jeremiah 37:1 – end	--
Wed 9 th	Jeremiah 38:1 – 13	--
Thu 10 th	Jeremiah 38:14 – end	--
Fri 11 th	Jeremiah 39:1 – end	--
Sat 12 th	Jeremiah 40:1 - end	--

Daily Readings for week beginning Monday 14th August		
Date	Bible passage	Zoom
Mon 14 th	Jeremiah 41:1 – end	--
Tue 15 th	Luke 1:46 - 55 <i>The Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	--
Wed 16 th	Jeremiah 43:1 – end	DH
Thu 17 th	Jeremiah 44:1 – 14	DH
Fri 18 th	Jeremiah 44:15 – end	--
Sat 19 th	Jeremiah 45:1 - end	DH

If you do not automatically receive a Zoom link for Morning Prayer 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 9th August**, 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 parishcomms@kidderminstereast.org.uk requesting a copy of the link & password **by 6:00pm on the day before the meeting.**

Faithful Friday Blog Post from Revd David Hildred for Friday 4th August

Jeremiah 35. A new covenant is going to be made between God and his people (the Old is described in Jer 11:4) such that God will forgive and forget (31:34). As a sign of this hope, in the midst of the overrunning of their land Jeremiah is told by God to buy a field, since one day that field will be fully his again. The people and the land will be restored, after this period of exile and punishment: God's great desire is for his people to turn to him in repentance and faith, and to show that by their obedience. This is why the Recabites are honoured. They are a small family who have kept the command they were given. We have the new covenant, the promises of God, his enduring love, his hope of a secure future, his word delivered to us: from this week's chapters whose example shall we follow?

Repair Café



Would you contemplate having something repaired/sharpened rather than just being thrown away? Bring your items along to the **Repair Café** at the Youth Centre in Bromsgrove Street, Kidderminster, every **first Saturday in the month, 10:00am to 1:00pm** No fixed fee, but donations gratefully received. You might even recognise some of the people involved!

Foodbank Appeal

Given the current cost of living crisis **Kidderminster Foodbank** is facing unprecedented demand for its services. Unfortunately this demand is not being met by an increase in donations of food. They are now running very short. Please consider donating to the foodbank if you are financially able to do so, either food or cash. Please donate via your usual donation point or see the [Foodbank Website](#) for how you can help. Thank you

Holland House Retreat Centre

Quiet Garden Days 2023: Spend a day of peace and reflection in our beautiful gardens, Main Street, Cropthorne, WR10 3NB. Theme for 2023 is "Emotions"

Dates : Thurs 17th August Thurs 21st Sept Thurs 23rd October

All days are 10:30am to 4:00pm approx. Each day has a different leader. Cost is £20 including light lunch, coffee and afternoon tea. Includes leader led reflection, optional Communion and shared reflection. For details and to book see www.hollandhouse.org or call 01386 860330. Organised by the "Friends of Holland House". All welcome.



Walking the Pilgrims' Way, Winchester to Canterbury

St George's parishioner Liz Layton and her husband, Martin, are making a pilgrimage from Winchester to Canterbury Cathedrals (220km). They started on Monday 31st July and will finish on Saturday 12th August. As well as the spiritual aspect, she is also raising money for **Macmillan** in memory of her Dad who passed away from cancer in Dec '21. She would be grateful for your prayer support during the journey. If you feel you would also like to contribute to **Macmillan** you can visit www.justgiving.com/LizLayton2023. If you would like to follow her progress you can do so on her Facebook page "[Walking the Pilgrims' Way, Winchester to Canterbury](#)" where photos and updates are being posted. They have had a lot of rain to contend with so why not send them a message of encouragement?





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Tenth 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 13th August 2023

COLLECT

Lord of heaven and earth,
as Jesus taught his disciples to
be persistent in prayer, give us
patience and courage never to
lose hope, but always to bring our
prayers before you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

READINGS

Genesis 37:1 - 4, 12 - 28
Romans 10:5 - 15
Matthew 14:22 - 33

SUNDAY 13th AUGUST

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 Holy Communion

ST MARY'S, STONE

11:00am Morning Worship

The Children's Activity Club

St Chad's Church, Friday 1st September
9:30am - 1:30pm

Open to children in school years 2 - 5 only.

This event is FREE. Refreshments/lunch
are provided. Book now by contacting

katyc34@btinternet.com

tel: 01562 861023 by **Wed 25th August**



in Chaddesley Corbett

Monday 14th August 10:30am - 12noon

Ladies, we would love to see you for a
coffee and a chat at Susie's, Hill Pool
House. For more info call

Beth (777136) or Susie (777419)

Parish Men's Breakfast & Ladies Get-Together

Last month 23 men met for another breakfast. A good time was had by all,
with good fellowship, food, music and laughter. There were a few new
faces which was great to see. The next meeting will be **Saturday 2nd**

September at 9:30am at St Cecilia's. We look forward to seeing you. *Roger and Ron*

Last month, nine ladies enjoyed chatting and sharing together at a café in town. We
shall also be meeting on **2nd September** at 10.00am; venue to be confirmed. All ladies
of the parish are invited, so come along and enjoy the company. *Ladies who Leisure*



The next **parish newsletter** will be published on **Friday 18th August**, covering Sundays
20th & 27th August. Please send items for publication, to reach the office by **Wednesday**
16th August at the latest, to news@kidderminstereast.org.uk. Thank you

Faithful Friday Blog Post from Revd David Hildred for Friday 11th August

Jeremiah 39. Today we read of the fall of Jerusalem into the hands of the Babylonians, all of which has been long forewarned as the judgement of God against his people. Earlier this week we read of the desperate attempt of the king to silence God's word by burning it piece by piece: he could not succeed. And then came the attempt to silence God's messenger: that could not succeed either. Instead, the Lord's message and messenger prevailed, and Ebed-Melech, who shows kindness to Jeremiah is given his own private message of rescue. No matter how much the people and their leaders sought to rail against God's word, that word remained God's intention for his people: and it was his intention to reform and renew his people.

Consultation on Public Space Protection Orders

Everyone is invited to contribute to the Local Council's consultation on the control of dogs and consumption of alcohol in public places. Anyone who wishes to take part can do so via the link below. Please contribute to the consultation process by completing the online surveys www.wyreforestdc.gov.uk/pspo by 5pm, **Tuesday 8th August 2023.**

Diocesan News

We have a new Archdeacon! Bishop John has announced that the **Revd Canon Mark Badger** is to be the next Archdeacon of Worcester. Mark is currently rector of Kempsey & Severn Stoke with Croome d'Abitot & Norton as well as Area Dean of Malvern and Upton. He will succeed Archdeacon Robert Jones who is retiring at the end of November. [Read more...](#) There will be an opportunity to say farewell to Archdeacon Robert at Evensong in the Cathedral on **Sunday 19th November**, to which all are welcome.

The new [Autumn Diocesan Training and Events programme](#) is now available. It includes both online and in-person training sessions on a range of topics such as Church Finances and Governance for PCC Members, Lunchtime Learning courses, a taster evening for those leading New Worshiping Communities as well as events that explore spiritual awareness such as Living a Rule of Life in the Benedictine way.

Bereavement Café - *Life after Loss*

Please note that our next monthly meeting is on **Monday 21st August**, at the usual time of **2:00pm - 4:00pm** at **St Cecilia's**, Hoo Road. This is a week earlier than normal to avoid the August Bank Holiday. For more information about the group please email Carol, Freda or Alison on lifefterlosskep@gmail.com or call the parish office on 01562 822131.



Requests for Prayer

- Please continue to pray that a new Team Vicar will join us in our work in Kidderminster. You may like to use the Vacancy Prayer (see bookmarks in church).
- For the work of Aid agencies around the world in these times of war, poverty, hunger, climate change and the negativity from governments to sending aid overseas.

Would you like to be included in the Parish Newsletter for prayer?

Please contact the Parish Office for more details.

DIARY

Homegroups do not usually meet during August

Weekly Events

(Please remember some events may not run during the holiday period)

Café Chad	Mondays & Weds	9:15am - 12:15pm	St Chad's
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 few weeks are listed below

Sunday 6th Aug	12:30pm	Games in the park	Forester Park, Hoobrook
Wed 9th Aug	10:00am	Holy Communion	St Cassian's
	2:00pm	Stone Corner Café	St Mary's Stone
	7:30pm	Parish Prayer	Online via Zoom
Sunday 13th Aug	<i>Church services are listed elsewhere in this newsletter</i>		
Mon 14th Aug	10:30am	Share and Care	Hill Pool House
Wed 16th Aug	10:00am	Holy Communion	St George's
Sunday 20th Aug	9:30am	Baptism Service	St Cassian's
	9:30am	Morning Worship	St Chad's
	11:00am	Holy Communion	St Cecilia's
	11:00am	Morning Worship	St George's
	11:00am	Baptism Service	St Mary's Stone
	6:30pm	Evening Prayer	St George's
Mon 21st Aug	2:00pm	Bereavement Café (Life after Loss)	St Cecilia's
Tue 22nd Aug	Together@KEP - NO MEETING THIS MONTH		

Online resources: [Children's corner](#), Messy Church [Facebook group](#), plus many videos on our [YouTube channel](#), posts on our [Facebook page](#) and [parish website](#).

SUNDAY 20th August

READINGS: Genesis 45:1 - 15 Romans 11:1 - 2a, 29 - 32 Matthew 15:21 - 28

SUNDAY 27th August

READINGS: Exodus 1:8 - 2:10 Romans 12:1 - 8 Matthew 16:13 - 20

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