



# THE KIDDERMINSTER EAST PARISH NEWSLETTER

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

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2024  
Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

*A Warm Welcome to All our Services*

COLLECT		SUNDAY 15 <sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER	
Lord of creation, whose glory is around and within us: open our eyes to your wonders, that we may serve you with reverence and know your peace at our lives' end, through Jesus Christ our Lord.		ST CHAD'S	
		9:30am	Morning Worship
		ST CECILIA'S	
<b>READINGS</b>  Proverbs 1:20 - 33 James 3:1 - 12 Mark 8:27 - end		9:45am	Holy Communion
		ST GEORGE'S	
		10:00am	Confirmation Service
		6:30pm	Choral Evensong
		ST MARY'S, STONE	
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## Confirmation Service at St George's

Today, **Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September**, we welcome Rt Revd Martin Gorick, Bishop of Dudley, to St George's church, at the earlier than usual service time of **10:00am**, to preside over our special service of **baptism and confirmations**. Please join us in this special celebration to rejoice with those who are committing themselves to the Lord. (**Note** there is no service at St Mary's Stone today)



On the same day, to close St George's 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations, there will be a **Festival Choral Evensong at 6:30pm**, with music by Anton Bruckner (his 200<sup>th</sup> birthday year), Charles Stanford (100 years since his death), Hubert Parry's Coronation anthem for double choir '*I was glad when they said unto me*', and some rousing hymns! **All are welcome to these services.**



## United Parish Service: A Celebration of Wholeness and Healing

**Advance notice:** There will be a United Parish Service at **10:30am** at St George's Church on **Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September**. There are no other services in the parish that day.

## Kidderminster East Youth (KEY)

A group for children and young adults in school years **4 - 13** (ages **9 - 18 yrs**).

The next meeting is **Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September**, 6:00pm - 7:30pm.

All meetings are held at St Cecilia's Church, Hoo Road, DY10 1LP

For further information or if you would like to join **KEY** please contact:  
Grace Kerrigan (07807 647279) or Richard Baker (07843 136785)



## Parish Awayday

On **Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November** we will be holding a **Parish Away Day** (at Home!). We looked into hiring a venue but for various reasons it wasn't practicable so it will be held in **St Cecilia's**. More details to follow. Please put the date in your diary so we can meet as 4 churches together. We would very much appreciate some **suggestions** from all 4 congregations of what you might **like to sing** on the day, although we cannot guarantee to include everything. Please contact the **office** with your choice. If it helps, the day will be based on *Ephesians 5 & 6* with a theme '*Stand and Shine*'. *Margaret H.*

## Parish Prayers Online via Zoom

**Morning Prayer with Daily readings at 8:00am:** 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 morning. Please join us for a great way to start the day. All welcome.

Daily Readings for week beginning Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> September			Daily Readings for week beginning Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September		
Date	Bible passage	Zoom	Date	Bible passage	Zoom
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup>	Acts 19:8 – 20	DH	Mon 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Acts 21:37 – 22:21	DH
Tue 17 <sup>th</sup>	Acts 19:21 – end	DH	Tue 24 <sup>th</sup>	Acts 22:22 – 23:11	--
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup>	Acts 20:1 – 16	DH	Wed 25 <sup>th</sup>	Acts 23:12 – end	DH
Thu 19 <sup>th</sup>	Acts 20:17 – end	DH	Thu 26 <sup>th</sup>	Acts 24:1 - 23	DH
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup>	Acts 21:1 – 16	--	Fri 27 <sup>th</sup>	Acts 24:24 – 25:12	--
Sat 21 <sup>st</sup>	Matthew 9:9 – 13 <i>Matthew, Apostle &amp; Evangelist</i>	DH	Sat 28 <sup>th</sup>	Acts 25:13 - end	DH

If you do not automatically receive a Zoom link for Morning Prayer you can ask for one to be sent to you by emailing the address below. Anyone is welcome to attend.

**Parish Prayer Meeting:** Please join us on **Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October** for the usual monthly 45 mins of prayer, worship and praise for the parish and the wider world **online via Zoom**. Login from 7:20pm for a **7:30pm** start. Just request a link from the address below. All welcome.



To join **any** of the online Prayers please email [parishcomms@kidderminstereast.org.uk](mailto:parishcomms@kidderminstereast.org.uk) requesting a copy of the link & password **by 6:00pm on the day before the meeting**.

The next **parish newsletter** will be published on **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> Sept**, covering **Sundays 29<sup>th</sup> Sept** and **6<sup>th</sup> October**. Items for inclusion should be sent to [news@kidderminstereast.org.uk](mailto:news@kidderminstereast.org.uk) to reach the parish office by **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September** at the latest. Thank you.

## Faithful Friday Blog Post from Revd David Hildred for Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September

*Acts 18*. This week's readings cover the 'second missionary journey' where Paul and the others see some miraculous conversions of people believing in Jesus as well as some severe opposition. They (*17:2*) reasoned from the Scriptures, showing that this was not a made-up story of good news, and how good to see the Bereans (*17:11*) checking it out against Scripture. Although it's 'a journey' Paul spends significant time in each place, rather than just an overnight stay; he gives people plenty of opportunity to respond to the good news, but in the end must move on when there is no response. Have we run out of people in Kidderminster who need to hear the good news?

### St George's Harvest Supper and Barn Dance



Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October  
at 7:00pm



Everyone very welcome,  
whether you wish to dance or not.

Cost £10

(profits to Harvest for the Hungry)

Please contact Jan 01562 630431 or  
Chris 07919 178236 for tickets



### Young at Heart

Wednesdays 2:00pm - 4:00pm  
at St Cecilia's Church, Hoo Road  
Open for tea/coffee from 1:00pm

18<sup>th</sup> Sept Visit to Gt Witley Church  
starting at 12:00noon

25<sup>th</sup> Sept Richard III *Mary Bodfish*

For more information or if you wish to join  
this group please contact Jean Bailey via  
the parish office.

### Parish Annual Bereavement Service

The annual Bereavement Service, to remember those special to us who have died, will take place on **Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October, 4:00pm** at St George's Church, Radford Avenue. The next of kin of those for whom we have taken funeral services in the last 12 months will have received a special invitation to attend. However, the service is open to all, so if there is someone who you would particularly like to be remembered at this service please contact Carol Morris ([carol@timmorris.org](mailto:carol@timmorris.org), tel: 07525 171397) or just come along to support those who are bereaved.



### Children's Club at St Chad's

The **Children's Club** is a fun and friendly club for school years 2 to 5. Children enjoy games, music, craft, stories, drama plus a meal & refreshments at every session, in a safe and friendly environment. All events are **free**. **In order to attend**, children must be registered. A form is available to download from the [parish website](#). Alternatively, please email [Katyc34@btinternet.com](mailto:Katyc34@btinternet.com) to request a form or to book a place. Please ensure that places are booked **no later than** seven days before each event as spaces are limited. Upcoming dates are:



Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September 5:00pm - 7:30pm

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October 5:00pm - 7:30pm

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November 5:00pm - 7:30pm

All meetings at **St Chad's  
Church, Burcher Green,  
Kidderminster, DY10 3AY**

### Midweek Services

**Holy Communion** Every Wednesday at 10:00am at  
**St George's Church, Radford Avenue, DY10 2ES**



Encountering God  
following Jesus  
Spirit-transforming lives

# Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

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

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2024**

## COLLECT

Gracious God,  
you call us to fullness of life:  
deliver us from unbelief  
and banish our anxieties  
with the liberating love of  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

## READINGS

Proverbs 31:10 - end  
James 3:13 - 4:3, 7 - 8a  
Mark 9:30 - 37

## SUNDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> SEPTEMBER

### ST CHAD'S

**9:30am** Holy Communion

### ST CECILIA'S

**9:45am** Morning Worship

### ST GEORGE'S

**11:00am** Baptism service

### ST MARY'S, STONE

**11:00am** Morning Worship

## New young person's discussion group at St Chad's

**Calling all young people** in school year 7 and upwards. St Chad's is starting a new group **for you**, which will run at the same time as the Sunday morning service. It is an opportunity to meet with people your own age and discuss topics that are important to you (relationships, family, trust, mental health, etc) and to see what the Bible has to say about them.



Beginning on **Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October** (please note change of start date) the group will meet every week **except** the first Sunday of the month. Your first mission, should you choose to accept it, will be to pick a name for the group! Drinks and continental style breakfast will also feature. Anyone who would like to know more about the group can contact Jen Tompkin on 07775 623691.



## Café Chad Special

### Coffee Morning and Table Top Sale

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 9:15am - 12:15pm**

Marie Curie



**KEMP**  
The Wyre Forest Hospice

In aid of Kemp Hospice and Marie Curie, at St Chad's Church Hall, Burcher Green, DY10 3AY. All welcome to come and support both these vital charities. If you would like to book your own stall there are tables still available at £10 each. For more details please speak to Mattie Underhill or Sally Stephenson or call Mattie on 07913 329119.

**Faithful Friday Blog Post from Revd David Hildred for Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September**  
*Acts 21*. Paul has begun his 'third missionary journey' in this week's readings, and once again we see dramatic life-changing conversions as well as deep-seated opposition (especially when it involves a potential loss of income!). He remains utterly convinced (*20:22*) that the good news of Jesus must be shared even though there are many hardships to face. The Lord sends Agabus (*21:10*) with a visual message so that the travelling companions of Paul also understand completely the cost of sharing that good news. They did not hold back from being committed to this work. What might their example inspire in us?

### Diocesan News

**Bishop John's Farewell:** Bishop John will be retiring as Bishop of Worcester on 9<sup>th</sup> October. He will be greatly missed. There will be a service of Farewell at the Cathedral 4:00pm on **Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September**. If you would like to contribute to a **leaving gift**, donations can be sent via bank transfer to **The Worcester Diocesan Board of Finance Ltd, Lloyds Bank, The Cross, Worcester; Sort Code: 30 99 90; Account No: 02974040** (please use the reference BISHOP COLLECTION). *Bishop Martin*

**Faith in Pottery** - a Lunchtime Learning event on **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> Sept**, 12:30 - 1:30pm, led by Mary Flitcroft, Bishop's Spirituality Adviser. [More details and to book...](#)

Founder of the **Oasis Trust** and social activist, the Revd Steve Chalke, will be coming to **Top Church in Dudley** on **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October** to launch his new book: *Manifesto for Hope: Ten Principles for Transforming the Lives of Children, Young People, and Their Families*. The event is open to all and is FREE but must be booked in advance. If you wish to attend please use the following link to book your place:

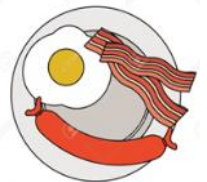
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/manifesto-for-hope-tickets-929101657067>

### Harvest Services in the parish

St Chads and St George's will celebrate Harvest Sunday on **6<sup>th</sup> October**, while St Cecilia's and St Mary's Harvest services will be on **Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October**.

### Parish Breakfast

Sixteen men met for another breakfast on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> September; a good time was had by all with good fellowship, food, music and laughter. The next meeting has been arranged for **Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October** at 9.30am at St Cecilia's. We look forward to seeing you. *Ron & Roger*.



**Ladies Get-Together** - Nine ladies had an enjoyable time together at The Eazy Lounge. We are always very warmly welcomed and the owner has said he will reserve us a table for our next meeting which will be on **19<sup>th</sup> October** at 10:00am. *L & C*

### Darkness to Light: Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September, 10:00am - 3:00pm

**Trinity Methodist** and **Baxter URC** would like to invite you to a day of Christian fellowship, centred around the theme of **Peace**, at **Trinity Methodist Church**, Churchfields, Kidderminster. The day will be a mixture of craft, prayer, drama and Christian fellowship events, and costs £2.50 per person. Please book through [www.trybooking.com/uk/DPGN](http://www.trybooking.com/uk/DPGN) or scan the QR code.



## Requests for Prayer

- As the process for appointing a new Team Vicar reaches a critical phase, please continue to pray that the Holy Spirit will be our guide.
- For the success of the new young persons group at St Chad's.

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

*Please contact the Parish Office for more details.*

## DIARY

Homegroups meet on 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> weeks of the month, usually on a Tuesday

### Weekly Events

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	Wednesdays	1:00pm - 4:00pm	St Cecilia's
Coffee Shop/Art table	Fridays	10:00am - 12:00noon	St George's
Meet and Eat	Fridays	from 12:00noon	Morrison's Café

### Other events during the next fortnight are listed below

Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> Sept	7:30pm	St Mary's DCC	St Mary's Stone
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> Sept	10:00am	Holy Communion	St George's
Sat 21 <sup>st</sup> Sept	10:00am	Darkness to Light	Trinity Methodist Church
Sun 22 <sup>nd</sup> Sept	<i>Church services are listed elsewhere in this publication</i>		
	6:00pm	KE Youth	St Cecilia's
Mon 23 <sup>rd</sup> Sept	9:15am	Café Chad Special	St Chad's
Wed 25 <sup>th</sup> Sept	10:00am	Holy Communion	St George's
Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> Sept	5:00pm	Children's Club	St Chad's
Sun 29 <sup>th</sup> Sept	10:30am	United Service	St George's
	4:00pm	Farewell to Bishop John	Cathedral

The full parish diary can be accessed through the online [Year Plan for 2024](#).

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 29<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

**READINGS:** Esther 7:1 - 6, 9 - 10; 9:20 - 22 James 5:13 - end Mark 9:38 - end

## SUNDAY 6<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER

**READINGS:** Job 1:1; 2:1 - 10 Hebrews 1:1 - 4; 2:5 - 12 Mark 10:2 - 16

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