



**Encountering God  
following Jesus  
Spirit-transforming lives**

# THE KIDDERMINSTER EAST PARISH NEWSLETTER

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

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2024  
Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity**

*A Warm Welcome to All our Services*

**SUNDAY 29<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER**

**ST GEORGE'S, RADFORD AVENUE, DY10 2ES**

**10:30am**

**UNITED PARISH SERVICE**

**A Celebration of Wholeness and Healing**

*There are no other services in the parish today*

**COLLECT**

God, our judge and saviour,  
teach us to be open to your truth and to  
trust in your love, that we may live each  
day with confidence in the salvation which  
is given through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**READINGS**

Isaiah 61:1

Mark 4:1 - 30

**A Celebration of Wholeness and Healing**

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September, 10:30am at St George's**

Here is our usual "5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in the month" opportunity to come together as a parish of four churches. The service this time is very similar to last year's "Wholeness & Healing" service, except that on this occasion we are including Holy Communion. Please come along and be ready to make use of the ministry opportunities whether you feel you are in need of some kind of healing or whether you are rejoicing in your circumstances. There will be the opportunity to be anointed and to be prayed for with a laying-on of hands. Nobody should feel they must, though some might know they should. *Let's join together*



*David*

**Midweek Services**

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

## Kidderminster East Youth (KEY)

A group for children and young adults in school years **5 - 13** (ages **9 - 18 yrs**).

The next meeting is **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October**, 5:30pm - 6:30pm straight after the Family Activity afternoon.



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

We are currently rejoicing that, with God's blessing, the group has grown to a capacity that has led us to create a waiting list to join.

Therefore, if you would like to be part of the group, please get in touch without delay so that we can register your interest. Contact Grace (07807 647279) or Richard (07843 136785) for more information. Places may become available in January. Thank you.

## Bereavement Café - *Life after Loss*

If you are grieving the loss of a loved one, the bereavement café '**Life after Loss**' is here for you to meet informally with others in a similar situation, share your experiences and talk about how *life after loss* is affecting you. We provide a listening ear over a cup of tea/coffee & cake in a warm & friendly atmosphere. The next meeting is on **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2:00pm - 4:00pm at St Cecilia's**, Hoo Road. For more info email Carol, Freda or Alison on [lifelafterlosskep@gmail.com](mailto:lifelafterlosskep@gmail.com) or call the parish office on 01562 822131.



## 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 30 <sup>th</sup> September			Daily Readings for week beginning Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> October		
Date	Bible passage	Zoom	Date	Bible passage	Zoom
Mon 30 <sup>th</sup>	Acts 26:1 – 23	DH	Mon 7 <sup>th</sup>	Philippians 1:1 – 11	DH
Tue 1 <sup>st</sup>	Acts 26:24 – end	DH	Tue 8 <sup>th</sup>	Philippians 1:12 – end	DH
Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Acts 27:1 – 26	DH	Wed 9 <sup>th</sup>	Philippians 2:1 – 13	--
Thu 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Acts 27:27 – end	DH	Thu 10 <sup>th</sup>	Philippians 2:14 – end	DH
Fri 4 <sup>th</sup>	Acts 28:1 – 16	DH	Fri 11 <sup>th</sup>	Philippians 3:1 – 4:1	--
Sat 5 <sup>th</sup>	Acts 28:17 - end	--	Sat 12 <sup>th</sup>	Philippians 4:2 - 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**.

## Faithful Friday Blog Post from Revd David Hildred for Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September

*Acts 24*. Mob violence, fake news and misinformation has landed Paul in a dangerous spot in Jerusalem, yet he uses it to share his testimony about how he turned to Jesus and found him to fulfil all that the Jewish Scriptures foretold. Paul is passed from one court to the next seemingly getting into deeper trouble with each step, but he knows it fits with God's purposes (23:11). In each setting he uses the opportunity to speak of Jesus rather than only try to save his own skin, and then in 25:11 he appeals to be sent to the highest court, to appear before Caesar – another opportunity taken. What opportunities lie along our path?

### 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**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Oct** The Wildlife of Chaddesley ant  
hill meadows *Gordon Forrest*  
**9<sup>th</sup> Oct** activity to be confirmed

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

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

**December** TBA

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

The next **parish newsletter** will be published on **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> Oct**, covering **Sundays 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<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 9<sup>th</sup> October** at the latest. Thank you.



## Stand and Shine: Parish Awayday (at home!)

Videos, teachings, workshops, praise and prayer and (we hope) fun!

Come and join us as we meet together as a parish in St Cecilia's church on **Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November** from 10:00am till (roughly) 3:30pm.

Fish and chip lunch will be provided or vegetarian option. Small donations towards the cost of the food *may* be welcomed but not absolutely necessary. **More information next newsletter.** It's not too late to get your suggestions in for what you might like to sing on the day (although we cannot guarantee to include everything). Please contact the parish office with your choice. *Margaret H.*

## Parish Breakfast

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:** our next meeting is also on **19<sup>th</sup> October** at 10:00am, again at The Eazy Lounge where we are always very warmly welcomed. The owner has said he will reserve a table for us. *Lyn & Cynthia*



## Bible Reading group

Our next meeting will be on

**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October,  
11:00am at the Rectory.**

We will be looking at *Mark chapter 8.*

Refreshments served from 10:45am.

Open to all but please let me know you are coming, either directly or via the parish office. *Hilary Hildred.*

## Kidderminster Foodbank

would currently welcome,  
by way of donations:

**Hot meats** (hot dogs, fray bentos  
pies, meatballs)

**Cold meats** (ham, corned beef)

**Tinned veg** (potatoes, sweetcorn,  
peas, carrots)

**Packet Pasta** in Sauce

**Packet Rice** (microwaveable)

**Tinned puddings** (rice pudding,  
custard, sponges)

**Toiletries**

***Please give generously, if you can***

## St Cecilia's Church, Hoo Road



will celebrate the  
**30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** of the  
**Dedication** of their  
current building at the



9:45am Holy Communion  
service on **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October.**

***Please come along to help celebrate***

## Stone Corner Café

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October  
at St Mary's Stone**



Call in any time between  
2:00pm - 4:00pm

for a chat, a drink and a slice of cake.

***Everyone welcome.***

## St George's Pop up Café

Open **Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October**  
and the first Wednesday of  
every month

**12:00noon - 2:00pm**

at St George's Church

**Lunch time Special:** Jacket potato with  
choice of filling followed by cake, fresh  
fruit, tea/coffee. Come along for a **warm  
lunch** and a **warm welcome.**

***No charge. Donations welcome.***







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# Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

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


**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2024**

<b>COLLECT (for Harvest)</b>	<b>SUNDAY 6<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER</b>	
Creator God, you made the goodness of the land, the riches of the sea and the rhythm of the seasons; as we thank you for the harvest, may we cherish and respect this planet and its peoples, through Jesus Christ our Lord.	<b>ST CHAD'S</b>	
	<b>9:30am</b>	Harvest Worship for All
<b>READINGS (for Harvest)</b>	<b>ST CECILIA'S</b>	
	<b>9:45am</b>	Holy Communion (30 <sup>th</sup> Anniv.)
Joel 2:21 - 27 1 Timothy 2:1 - 7 Matthew 6:25 - 33	<b>ST GEORGE'S</b>	
	<b>11:00am</b>	Harvest Morning Worship
	<b>6:30pm</b>	Evening Worship
	<b>ST MARY'S, STONE</b>	
	<b>11:00am</b>	Holy Communion

**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.



**Family Activity Afternoons @StCecilia's**  
**On the first Sunday of every month**  
**Next Meeting: Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October, 3:30pm - 5:30pm.**  
 Crafts, games, refreshments & more, for all the family  
 @StCecilia's Church, 164 Hoo Road. Kidderminster, DY10 1LP





For more information contact the parish office on 01562 822131  
 or email [office@kidderminstereast.org.uk](mailto:office@kidderminstereast.org.uk).



## Do you shop online?

If so, you can help raise donations for **King of Hearts Creative Outreach** via **easyfundraising** for **FREE!!** By registering with **easyfundraising**, it means you can raise donations every time you shop online, at no cost to yourself! Over 8,000 brands will donate to King of Hearts when you use **easyfundraising** to shop with them. These donations really mount up and make a BIG difference, so we'd really appreciate it if you could take a moment to sign up and offer your support. It's completely FREE and only takes a moment. Over recent years, my small purchases on eBay, Booking.com, the trainline etc. have raised £170 in donations! If you are interested, please email me, Karen Morton, on [kpmorton@talk21.com](mailto:kpmorton@talk21.com) so that I can send you a link and gain an extra donation when you create an account. Also, once you are registered as a supporter, please do enable the donation reminder so that any time you access a brand that supports **easyfundraising**, you will get a reminder to open the donation from that webpage. If you are already registered, please do share with others using the link on your account. If you have any questions about **easyfundraising**, or **King of Hearts Creative Outreach**, please contact me or Peter Cooper. Many thanks. *Karen Morton*

### Parish Prayerlink

Our praying friends across the whole parish are happy to pray for you. Requests for prayer for specific people/situations can be emailed to :



[prayerlink@kidderminstereast.org.uk](mailto:prayerlink@kidderminstereast.org.uk)

Or you can phone requests to Anne and Glenn on 01562 822690



**Harvest  
Café Church  
at St Cecilia's  
Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October  
at 9:45am**

A mix of contemporary and traditional worship in a relaxed atmosphere. Discussion, conversation and prayer with a **Harvest** theme. *All welcome.*

### Options at Holy Communion

**Non-  
alcoholic**

Many will know that we are able to offer a **gluten-free** wafer at Communion for those who need one. We are also now

**Gluten  
Free**

offering a **non-alcoholic** wine for those who need this. If you wish to take up these options it would be most helpful to those who are administering the bread and wine if you would take to the rail one of the **laminated cards** so that ministers can see ahead what you need. Cards are available from the sidespeople/welcomers.

### Parish online Year Plan

Many of you will be aware that this year we introduced a [live online Year Plan](#) that can be accessed via your browser. It has an advantage over the old printed versions in that it is kept right up to date as things change. Those of you who access it regularly will have noticed a few changes to the way it is presented. If you have any comments about the new format please get in touch via the parish office.

### Café Chad

**Every Monday and Wednesday**  
9:15am - 12:30pm with  
**Knit & Natter/Crafts**  
**every Monday** 10am - 12noon.  
and **Art Group**  
**every Wed** 10am - 12noon  
Come to meet friends, new and old, for a chat and quality refreshments.

## Faithful Friday Blog Post from Revd David Hildred for Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October

Acts 28. In this week's readings Paul has been able to give his testimony before King Agrippa (one of the Herod family of Jewish kings) who realises Paul has not done anything criminally wrong, but his journey continues towards Rome. This time it's a physically dangerous journey, yet Paul is reassured (27:23) that everything still fits with God's plan. In those extreme conditions he is able to save lives, bring hope and healing, and even through the period of house-arrest in Rome (28:16) he is able to share more of Jesus. Our circumstances are of course very different, but is the need for people to hear about Jesus any less? Shall we pray that the Holy Spirit be at work in us and through us to the same goal?

### Diocesan News

There is another opportunity for people to [Join the Conversation](#) for the process of finding our next **bishop of Worcester** at a public meeting with the Archbishop's Secretary for Appointments and the Prime Minister's Appointment Secretary next **Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> October, 7:00 – 8:00pm** on Zoom. It is part of the Appointment Secretaries' listening exercise through which they aim to understand the challenges and opportunities that will be encountered by the next Bishop of Worcester as well as the gifts, experiences and qualities that people discern are needed in their next bishop. To attend the meeting please email [bishop.consultation@cofe-worcester.org.uk](mailto:bishop.consultation@cofe-worcester.org.uk) and you will receive the Zoom link.

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>

**Bishop's Certificate Courses:** the 2024/25 courses are starting at the end of September and will be on different days and locations, to suit. If this interests you you can get more information and book using the link below:

<https://www.cofe-worcester.org.uk/your-faith/courses-group-resources/bishops-certificate/bishops-certificate>

The full Diocesan Autumn **Training and Events** programme can be accessed [here...](#)

### 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.
- For those who are suffering around the world due to the many wars, climate change, and natural disasters.

*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

### Regular 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

Mon 30 <sup>th</sup> Sept	2:00pm	Bereavement Café	St Cecilia's
Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct	10:00am	Holy Communion	St George's
	12:00pm	Pop-up Café	St George's
Thurs 3 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	11:00am	Bible Reading Group	The Rectory
Sat 5 <sup>th</sup> Oct	7:00pm	Harvest Supper & Barn Dance	St George's
Sun 6 <sup>th</sup> Oct	<i>Church services are listed elsewhere in this publication</i>		
	3:30pm	Family Activities afternoon	St Cecilia's
	5:30pm	KE Youth	St Cecilia's
Wed 9 <sup>th</sup> Oct	10:00am	Holy Communion	St George's
	2:00pm	Stone Corner Café	St Mary's, Stone
	7:30pm	Parish Prayer meeting	Online, via Zoom
Sun 13 <sup>th</sup> Oct	9:30am	Holy Communion	St Chad's
	9:45am	Harvest Café Church	St Cecilia's
	11:00am	Holy Communion	St George's
	11:00am	Harvest Morning Worship	St Mary's Stone

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 13<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER (Harvest)

**READINGS:** Joel 2:21 - 27      1 Timothy 2:1 - 7      Matthew 6:25 - 33

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

**READINGS:** Job 38:1 - 17      Hebrews 5:1 - 10      Mark 10:35 - 45

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