

UNITED BENEFICE OF CRADLEY MATHON AND STORRIDGE

Pewsheets for Sunday 15 July 2018, Trinity 7 - Essential news from around the benefice

SERVICES ON SUNDAY 15 JULY, TRINITY 7 Readings: Amos 7:7-15; Mark 6:14-29.

(At Cradley - Genesis, Chapter 2, verses 1-15 and Paul's 1st Epistle to the Corinthians, Chapter 3, verses 1-9)

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| 9.30 a.m | Mattins – Lay led by Nick Walker. Preacher – Revd James Stewart | Mathon |
| 9.30 a.m | Holy Communion (BCP) | StorrIDGE |
| 10.30.a.m. | Morning Service- Led by Julia Maclagan and Mike Hames | Cradley |
| 3.30 p.m. | Archdeacon Paddy Benson's Farewell Service | Hereford Cathedral |

SPECIAL SUNDAY SERVICES, 22 and 29 July and 5 August

CRADLEY AND COLWALL JOINT COMMUNION SERVICE at Colwall, Sunday 22 July, 11.00 a.m., to celebrate St. James with congregation of St. James the Great, Aston. Numbers for lunch needed in advance

OPEN AIR BENEFICE SERVICE Sunday 29 July at 10.30 in the grounds of “Badgers” Mathon followed by refreshments. Please park in Mathon Church Car Park and walk the very short distance to “Badgers” following the signs. There will be a said Holy Communion (BCP) at 8.30 a.m on this morning at Cradley

PET SERVICE AT CRADLEY CHURCH 5 August at 10.30 a.m (outside if fine)

WEEKDAY SERVICES

EVENING PRAYER this week at 6.30 p.m. on Mon at Cradley, Tues at Mathon, Wed at StorrIDGE

HOLY COMMUNION (CW) on Wednesday at Cradley, 10.00 a.m.

THE FUNERAL OF PEGGY FAULKNER is at Cradley on Tuesday 17 July, 12.30 p.m.

EVENTS & MEETINGS

STORRIDGE LITERARY FESTIVAL 2018: AN EVENING WITH THE DEAN Tuesday 17 July, 7.30 p.m. in StorrIDGE Church. The Very Reverend Michael Tavinor will draw upon his extensive diaries to talk about his time as Dean of Hereford, and his wider ministry, in a talk that is sure to be both entertaining as well as informative. Admission and refreshments free (donations to StorrIDGE Church welcome).

CRADLEY WORSHIP COMMITTEE Wednesday 18 July, 2 Sycamore Close, 7.30 p.m.

LEDBURY DEANERY SYNOD Thursday 19 July, 7.30 p.m. at Bosbury Village Hall

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING at Colwall Ale House, for **all church officers** - Sat, 21 July, 9.30 a.m.-12.30 p.m.

STRAWBERRY TEAS ON SUNDAY AFTERNOONS at Cradley Church starting on Sunday 22 July from 3.00p.m -5.00 p.m. These continue on Sunday afternoons until 26 August

DIOCESAN PRAYER FOR THE WEEK:

We thank you, Father, for the privilege of living in a world filled with beauty and wonder, whose variety of experiences gives delight and inspiration; we thank you for the things that lift our hearts, that gladden our eyes and ears, and even for the things that challenge us and disturb our complacency.

We thank you for the gift of loving and being loved, of understanding and being understood, and for friendships that last the years. And we thank you for those who in music and poetry and art speak to our hearts, and whose words and images and melodies draw us to your love. O Lord, Creator God, receive our thanks and praise!

TODAY IN OUR PRAYERS: World Youth Skills Day today draws our attention to the high levels of youth unemployment there is in many developing countries, and the need to develop new skills and opportunities to counter this. **In the wider Anglican Church**, pray for The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea, for The Most Revd Humphrey Peters, Bishop of Peshawar & Moderator of the Church of Pakistan, and for all who live in that part of the world. Pray for the church where it is persecuted or opposed, and for all who face discrimination because of their beliefs. **In our diocese**, pray for the The Bridgnorth Deanery. **In the wider world**, give thanks for the safe recovery this week of those trapped underground in Thailand. Pray for the peace of the world, for our own future relations with Europe, and with the wider world; for all places of fear and conflict: for the Middle East, especially for Syria and Iraq; for Afghanistan; and for every family where there is division: for all victims of famine or natural disaster; all members of the armed forces and those who work for peace. **Among the sick**, we're asked to pray for Sheila Mullaney; Ashley and Natalie; Alison; Elspeth Barks; Margaret Adams, Paul Peters, Tim Ross, and all who support and care for them. **Remember all who have died recently**, and in particular this week, Peggy Faulkner. Pray for their families, friends & all who mourn.

NEXT SUNDAY 22 July – Trinity 8, St Mary Magdalene (and Sunday closest to St James the Great)

Readings in the benefice: 2 Corinthians 5: 14-17; John 1-2,11-18

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| 9.30 a.m | Mattins – Lay led | StorrIDGE |
| 9.30 a.m | Shorter Mattins | Mathon |
| 11 00 a.m | Joint Patronal Communion Service for Cradley, Colwall and Aston | Colwall |

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