

Coming shortly

- 18 June 10.45am Open The Book, Weobley Primary School
- 22 June 2.00-4.00pm Summer Strawberry and Cream Tea at The Valletts, Kinneresley. In aid of Letton Church
- 23 June 5.00pm Patronal Festival, Byford Church
- 9 July 10.30am Second Tuesday Coffee, Weobley
- 9 July 10.45am Open The Book, Weobley Primary School

The Living Word People&Steeple insert gives Bible readings with commentary to read and think about during the week for the *following* Sunday. Extra copies with *this Sunday's readings* are by the door.

Staunton & Weobley Group ministry & team

Weekday Services

Weekday Communion BCP, Weobley, first Wednesday 10.30am

Healing Service with Communion, Weobley, last Tuesday 10.30am

Sunday Services next week (June 16)

Weobley, 10.30am Holy Communion CW

Letton, 10.30am Matins (with Staunton congregation)

Weobley, 12.30pm Baptism

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For more news, see also www.weobleyandstaunton.co.uk or Facebook

People & Steeple

News and contacts for the Weobley & Staunton Group of Parishes

Weobley, Sarnesfield, Norton Canon,

Staunton-on-Wye, Byford, Monnington, Letton

Pentecost Sunday, June 9, 2019

From the Vicar

As we remember and celebrate the Ascension of Jesus we recognise one most important fact. And that is that God never abandons his people. The Ascension marked the logical ending to the Incarnation – the physical presence of God on Earth in Jesus – and allowed for God to be present everywhere through the coming of the Holy Spirit.

We celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, but let us never forget that at Pentecost we are not celebrating a historical event only, but also the presence of God's Holy Spirit in our lives now – right now. He is the inner voice and strength that calls you to love some more, to put someone else's needs before your own, to pray, to hope and to believe. God never leaves or forsakes us. Just speak to him and be open to his inner promptings.

Blessings, Sean

Theme: Pentecost - the Church is born in the power of the Spirit

Acts 2:1-21 — The Spirit of God comes with roar of wind and flames and the gathered crowd hear the disciples praising God in all their different dialects [p.1145](#)

Romans 8:14-17 — Life in the Spirit is knowing who we are in Jesus, as He reveals how we have become children of God by adoption [p.1186](#)

John 14:8-17 — Jesus explains how, in the united Trinity of Father, Son and Holy Spirit, He is the human representation of the Father [p.1134](#)

Also read: Psalm 104:26-37

Services Sunday 9 June

Sarnesfield, 9.00am Café Church

Weobley, 10.30am Holy Communion CW

Norton Canon, 11.00am Holy Communion BCP

BCP: Book of Common Prayer, traditional form. CW: Common Worship, modern words

Prayer focus

The Weobley and Staunton Group of Parishes serves a rural community and we give thanks for all involved in agriculture, we pray for them, and seek ways to support them.

For healing

Norman Skyrme (Weobley)

Anne Preece (Weobley)

Chris Penning

Martin Loveless

We continue to pray for healing for Harry Williams and also for God to strengthen and encourage his family at this difficult time

If you know of anyone who is unwell, please let Sean or any of the clergy know.

For strength and justice

Rob and Carole Page

In our group of parishes

The Weobley and Staunton Group of Parishes as they prepare for a period of interregnum in the summer

The Parish of Norton Canon, the Churchwardens Kim Hendricksen and Judy Pritchard, and all the church community

Those who provide coffee and tea after services

Diocese of Hereford

Our Rural Dean Steve Hollinghurst and all those who serve on the Kington and Weobley Deanery Synod

Anglican church worldwide

The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma)

The wider Church

All other churches in Herefordshire, nationally and across the world who share with us to proclaim God's love to the world

News

St Mary's, Sarnesfield



SUMMER OPEN WEEKEND

8-9 June

10.15am – 4.45pm each day

- ◆ Tea or coffee, homemade cakes and savouries
- ◆ Agricultural displays, plant stall
- ◆ Floral displays, Arts and Crafts stained glass in church

Sunday 9.00am, Café-style Service

Group Administrator

We are looking for someone who could manage the administration of the Group of Parishes during the interregnum. This work would require an ability to use email, update social media, prepare rotas and deal with correspondence. It is envisaged that this work would take around 6 hours a week, and an honorarium will be paid. Please speak to Sean if you would like more information.

Second Tuesday Coffee Morning, Weobley Church



Tuesday 11 June 10.30 – 12.00

Please do join us for coffee and conversation. Everyone welcome.

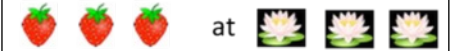
Weobley Summer Fete

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered goods and manpower for the Weobley Fete this Saturday, 15 June. If you would still like to have a job for part of the afternoon please offer your services to Liz or Alan. Please bring any further donations of books, DVDs, good china, bottles, toiletries, crafts, lucky dip prizes, cakes and plants to Glebe House. Contacts: 01544 318522 thelizlawrence@hotmail.com thealanjones47@gmail.com

Thy kingdom keeps on coming

During this ten days that began on Ascension Day many people have been praying for five chosen friends using the BLESS acrostic, and the organisers encourage us to continue. Here's how it works: (B) is a blessing of body – health, protection, energy; (L) is for labour – employment situation, retirement, income; (E) bless them emotionally – with inner peace, the Lord's joy, wisdom, insight, patience; (S) socially – healthy relationships in marriages and families and friendships, reconciliation; and (S) bless spiritually – for repentance and salvation, faith and a walk of obedience.

Summer Strawberry and Cream Tea



The Valletts, Kinnersley, HR3 6DN

Saturday 22 June, 2pm- 4pm

An opportunity to view an extensive water lily collection and have advice on anything aquatic from building a pond, maintenance, plant and fish life...

or just enjoy a tea in restful, rural surroundings

By kind permission of Revd and Mrs Overton

Donations in aid of Letton Church

All welcome



(look out for balloons and flags)
PARKING  AVAILABLE 

This week's events

Sunday June 9

9.00am Café Church, Sarnesfield
10.15am - 4.45pm Open Weekend, Sarnesfield
2.00-5.30pm Broxwood Court Open Gardens

Tuesday June 11

10.30am - 12 noon Second Tuesday Coffee, Weobley Church

Saturday June 15

2.00pm Weobley Village Fete, Castle Green