

Coming shortly

- 25th August 2.00 – 4.30pm Summer Sunday Tea, St John the Baptist, Letton
- 3rd September 10.00am Churchyard tidy-up, Weobley Parish Church
- 7th September 9.30am – 12.30pm Consultation Meeting on the future of our parishes, Norton Canon Village Hall
- 10th September 10.30am – 12 noon Second Tuesday Coffee, Weobley
- 14th September Ride + Stride for Herefordshire Churches

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

Staunton & Weobley Group ministry & team

Weekday Services

Tuesday 27th August 10.30 am Healing Service and BCP Holy Communion

Retired Clergy and Reader

Revd Susan Verwey 01981 500626
s.verwey@btopenworld.com

Revd Martin Loveless 01981 500311
martinloveless@hotmail.com

Revd Charles Overton 01544 327912
charlesoverton@hotmail.com

Henry Verwey 01981 500626
jh.verwey@btopenworld.com

Sunday Services next week

August 25th

Weobley, 10.30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

Sarnesfield 9.00am Eucharist

Staunton (village hall) 10.30am Eucharist (CW)

Group admin and publicity

Emma Noble 01432 761896
admin@weobleyandstaunton.co.uk

Byford, Monnington, Letton websites:
Rob Howell robhowell67@gmail.com

Copy for next week no later than Wednesday to: admin@weobleyandstaunton.co.uk

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

Sunday 18 August 2019

Thank God for the Salvation Army

In 1865 William Booth began the mission that developed into The Salvation Army. However, his wife, Catherine Booth had considerable influence over its development. For example, women were allowed to lead and preach, and alcohol was strongly frowned upon. The first may not have occurred without Catherine's influence, and the second may not have been as strongly emphasised without Catherine.

Catherine certainly helped form William Booth's Christian Mission into The Salvation Army, so, while William was the Founder, his wife Catherine is regarded by many as a joint Founder of that Army.

20th August is the special day each year when many Christians say a special "Thank You" to God for both of them.

"While women weep, as they do now, I'll fight. While little children go hungry, as they do now, I'll fight. While men go to prison, in and out, in and out, as they do now, I'll fight. While there is a drunkard left, while there is a poor lost girl upon the streets, while there remains one dark soul without the light of God, I'll fight. I'll fight to the very end!"

William Booth (10 April 1829 – 20 August 1912)

Revd Charles Overton

Theme: Authentic faith is an intentional choice which has a cost

Jeremiah 23:23-29 — The Lord seeks true faith and judges falsehood
p.835

Hebrews 11:29-12:2 — The nature of faith as lived by spiritual heroes of the past
p.1262

Luke 12:49-56 — True faith and holiness sets apart, and can divide
p.1098

and also: Psalm 82

Services Sunday 18 August

Weobley 10.30 am Eucharist (CW)

Letton 10.30 am Mattins

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

Prayer focus

For healing

Jan Griffiths (Weobley)

Joanna Prettijohn

Harry Williams and his family

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

In our group of parishes

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

The Weobley and Staunton Group of Parishes in this period of interregnum

The Parish of Monnington, the Church Warden Ray Phillips and all the church community

The Church Treasurers

Diocese of Hereford

The Deanery of Ross & Archenfield

Those who serve on the Diocesan Synod and all the other Diocesan Boards and Committees

The Anglican Church worldwide

Pray for the Anglican Church of Southern Africa

The Wider Church

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

News

A new Vicar - your chance to have a say!

Following the departure of Reverend Sean Semple, the Weobley and Staunton Group of Parishes is now in a temporary period of being without a Priest. This is known as an Interregnum and means literally 'between reigns'. As part of the process for appointing a successor we wish to engage not only with the congregations of the seven churches comprising the Joint-Benefice but also with the village communities in which we all live.

In order to seek the views of our communities there will be a consultation meeting held by representatives from the Hereford Diocese on Saturday 7 September at Norton Canon Village Hall. The meeting will begin at 09.30 in the morning and end at approximately 12.30. This meeting is to enable all present to reflect on the kinds of communities in which we live, the needs of those communities and the mission and ministry within the parishes, current and future. Please join us so that we can hear your voice, your views and your thoughts. Churchwardens and PCC members are encouraged to make this an absolute priority.

There will be several people going from each of the Parishes, so if you

need a lift to Norton Canon please contact a member of your church community.

For people within the Weobley Parish who are unable to attend but wish to have their views represented please complete one of the forms left at the back of the church.

Help to brighten up your Church



On Tuesday 3 September why not join us to help tidy up the surrounds of Weobley churchyard, help with some weeding and general clearance? We will be there from 10.00am, coffee and biscuits will be provided. For further details contact Pat Millington 319330 or John Hatton 318284.

Weobley Church Grand Summer Raffle

Last chance to buy summer raffle tickets which will be drawn on Bank Holiday Monday. Please make sure you have returned your ticket stubs and money to Liz or Alan Jones before then! Many thanks to those who have supported this fundraiser, which is going quite well, but could do better...

Music at the Cathedral



Three events remaining this month are a Jazz in the Garden event on Friday, 23 August at 1pm with Nuadha (Chapter House Garden, free with retiring collection) and Tuesday lunchtime organ recitals at 1.15pm on

August 20 by Daniel Justin, Norwich Cathedral and August 27 with John Challenger, returning to Hereford from Salisbury Cathedral.



Sunday 18th August

2.00-4.30 pm

Summer Tea

St John the Baptist, Letton



Second Tuesday Coffee

Tuesday 10th September

10.30am - 12 noon

Church of St Peter and St Paul,
Weobley

Please do join us for coffee and conversation