

Coming shortly

- 4th August 2.00 pm–4.30 pm
Summer Sunday Teas, St John the Baptist, Letton

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

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Sunday Services next week

August 11th

Weobley, 10.30 am Eucharist (CW)

Norton Canon 11.00 am

Holy Communion (BCP)

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People & Steeple

News and contacts for the Weobley & Staunton Group of Parishes

Weobley, Sarnesfield, Norton Canon,

Staunton-on-Wye, Byford, Monnington, Letton

Sunday, August 4th 2019

Lammastide

This Sunday August 4th is the celebration of
Lammas.

At Lammastide a loaf of bread, made from
the first barley or wheat to be harvested, is
offered at the beginning of the service and
may be used for Holy Communion. Its origins
are the Old Testament accounts of the
Israelite's offering God the first fruits of their
barley harvest.

Lammas reminds us that God keeps His
promises, especially that there would always
be harvest-time. Just like it takes time for
grain to ripen, so God's keeping of His
promises to us may take time, but sure
enough, they will come true.

Lammas also reminds us of more good
things to come as we look forward to harvest
home. God has much more for every
Christian to look forward to, our experience
of God and His goodness are just a taster for
all that God has in store for us.

Last but not least, Lammas reminds us to say
'Thank you' to God by giving back to Him, not our
'leftovers' of money, time and skills, but our best
of these, prioritising using them for Him.
Risky? – perhaps, but as someone once said
'faith is spelt 'R I S K'.

Theme: The foolishness of life and
achievements apart from God

Eccles 1:2, 12-14, 2:18-23 — Solomon's
lesson on what doesn't endure: The
great king with the gift of wisdom has
discovered that our own striving is
futile.

P 719

Col. 3:1-11 — The foolishness of living
down to the level of the old life: Those
renewed in Christ can say 'no' to the
former ways.

p.1236

Luke 12:13-21 — Jesus teaches us not
to rely on possessions, with the story of
how the wealthy farmer who did not
trust in God, finished with nothing.

p.1096

Also Psalm 49:1-12

Services Sunday 4th August

Weobley 10.30 am

Holy Communion (BCP)

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

Prayer focus

For healing

Rose Pember

Martin Loveless

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

For Imogen and India on their upcoming Baptism in Weobley.

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 as they prepare for a period of interregnum.

The Parish of Byford

The Churchwardens, Sue Hubbard and Maggi Denaro and all the church community.

Those who tend our graveyards

Diocese of Hereford

The Dean, Chapter and congregation of Hereford Cathedral

The Anglican Church worldwide

Pray for the Church of the Province of South east Asia.

The Wider Church

All other churches in Ledbury.

Nationally and across the world who share with us to proclaim God's love to the world.

News

Second Tuesday Coffee

Returns on Tuesday 13th
August 10.30 am - 12 pm

At the Church of St Peter
and St Paul, Weobley

Please do come and join
us for coffee and
conversation.



Bishop Richard will be taking the 10.30 service at Weobley this Sunday, after which he will be joining us for coffee 10.30-12.

Parishioners from all 7 parishes in the group are welcome, so please do join us in Weobley this Sunday.



Songs of Praise

We were delighted to welcome nine members of the over 60's section of the Salvation Army together with Major Pam who gave us a stimulating talk in addition to their rousing accompaniment to our singing. Ken Farr who leads the band is no less than 99 years old and still playing the cornet ! We hope to welcome them back next year for their 38th annual visit.



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Weobley Church Cleaning

Thank you to all those that came to help clean the church on Friday 2nd August - it was very much appreciated.

This week's events

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the Baptist, Letton, 2.00 pm