

Coming Shortly



HARVEST FESTIVAL DATES

Sarnesfield 25th October 11.00 am

Byford 25th October 5.00 pm

The Living Word is a Bible study on the set readings www.thelivingword.uk. A linked 'Explaining' article explores this week's theme: How God works beyond our boundaries <http://bit.ly/articleforoct18>

Staunton & Weobley Group ministry & team

Weekday Services

There are currently no weekday services

Sunday Services 25th October

10.30 am Weobley Parish Church

Holy Communion (BCP)

10.30 am Staunton-on-Wye

Service of the Word

11.00 am Sarnesfield

Harvest Festival

5.00 pm Byford

Harvest Festival

5.30 pm - Zoom Evening Prayer (BCP)

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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

Sunday 18th October 2020

The Prayer Book would have Sunday 18th October as the Feast of S.Luke. Modern convention praetermits even major saints days and always sticks to Sundays. That's a bit of an impoverishment.

True, we know almost nothing for certain about S.Luke. His name is attached to the gospel and the Acts : but we only have a name, not an identifiable author. It's often assumed that S.Paul is referring to the same man when he says that "only Luke is with me" or that he is the "beloved physician". He may well be —though his supposed medical language is no more medical than the language of any educated person of the time.

He certainly wrote the best literary Greek in NT, and described the life of the Church is seamless with the life and work of Jesus. He gives us parables like the Good Samaritan and the Prodigal Son. He sees Jesus as the heroic example for Christians to follow. If he was indeed S.Paul's companion, he was himself a supremely loyal comrade. We should give thanks for him, for people like him and for their prayers. They are the salt of the earth and pillars of Christ's holy Church.

John Thewlis

Theme

How God influences people before they know Him

OT: Isaiah 45:1-7 — How a Persian king named Cyrus will act as God's servant.

NT letter: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10 — Praise for the Thessalonians showing their kingdom values while suffering for having turned from idols to Christ.

NT gospel: Matthew 22:15-22 — Jesus, answering a tricky poll-tax question, sets out how to obey both the government of God and the laws we live under.

Also read: Psalm 96:1-13

Sunday 18th October

10.30 am Weobley Parish Church
Churches Together in Weobley
Harvest Festival

10.30 am Letton
Matins

5.30 pm - Zoom Service
Evening Prayer (BCP)

CW: Common Worship, modern words

BCP: Book of Common Prayer

Prayer focus

For healing

Jan Griffiths (Weobley)

Pat Clayton

Ian and Hilary Robinson (Weobley)

If you know of anyone who is unwell, or if you would like us to pray for anyone whatever the reason, please let the Administrator or any of the clergy know.

In our Group of Parishes

Please pray for the those involved in the incumbent interview process on Wednesday. Let us pray that we may find a candidate called to our community.

The Parish of Norton Canon, the Churchwarden Kim Hendricksen and the new Church Warden, Hannah Carpenter, and all the church community.

PCC Members

In the Diocese of Hereford:

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

Leominster Deanery

The Wider Church

Pray for the Episcopal Church.

The Collect

19th Sunday after Trinity

O God, forasmuch as without you we are not able to please you; mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Worship and Prayer

Weobley and Staunton Group of Parishes Online Services

Sunday 18th October

Evening Prayer (BCP) on Zoom at 5.30 pm
Log-in available at 5.20 pm at the following link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81946640814>

The Service sheet can be found on the group website. Under the 'week-by-week' tab, click on Services should you wish to print it off.

www.weobleyandstaunton.co.uk

The easiest way to click on the Zoom link is via the website page.

News

Weobley Primary School Visit St Peter and St Pauls



We had a delightful visit to St Peter and St Paul's this week from class 5 at Weobley Primary School. The children were very enthusiastic and we thoroughly enjoyed having them in church. Thank you to all those involved in the visit and we hope to see you all again soon.

FOR SALE

Casio Keyboard

Surplus to requirements, Letton

Church has a Casio keyboard with stand, ideal for a beginner.

Small donation to Letton Church required. If interested please

contact Derys Maddox on

01544 327268.



WEOBLEY CHURCH CLOSED - BUT ONLY FOR ONE DAY!

As you may be aware we are interviewing for a new incumbent on 21st October. The interviews are taking place at Weobley Church so the church will be closed to the public all day on 21st for October. We will be back open on Thursday and ready to welcome you for private prayer in the chancel once again.