

People & Steeple

Sunday July 18th

News and contacts for the Weobley & Staunton Group of Parishes

Weobley, Sarnesfield, Norton Canon, Staunton-on-Wye, Byford, Monnington, Letton

The where of worship

Last Sunday at Monnington we experienced a typical English summer afternoon downpour, which resulted in our relocating the Evensong service to the riding arena at Monnington Court. This is a venue which is normally alive with the sound of horse hooves and the commands of riders, but on Sunday it swelled with some lovely four part harmonies from the choir of Holy Trinity, Hereford. The acoustics were surprisingly resonant inside the arena, and the atmosphere afforded me a moment to reflect on the context of our regular worship. Sometimes churchgoers become attached to church buildings as 'the holy place' for worship. Interestingly, the Jews around the time of Jesus felt the same affinity for their temple in Jerusalem, and its destruction in AD70 was a cataclysmic event that changed their onward patterns of worship. Jesus stated that the setting of our worship is not significant. He affirms (in John chapter 4), that "God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." That's something for us to bear in mind wherever we are located.

Rev'd Philip

The Weobley Church Fete Unmasked!

In the spirit of getting our lives back to normal the Church Fete is planned to happen on the 24th July. The fun will be in and around the church and include the 'St. John's Brass Band and, our own 'Alive and Pickin', classic car rides, a chance to go up the fantastic tower....see the bells, see the uncannily accurate clock and see the view! The Rev Philip Harvey, our friendly new vicar, and his wife Penelope will be hosting teas in the vicarage garden. All the usual favourites including the compulsive 'Ladder Game' and the hysterical 'Human Fruit Machine' will be there. Come along from 2pm, celebrate life, and let's feel human again!

Weobley and Staunton Group of Parishes Online Services

June 18th online (Zoom) Evening Prayer (BCP) at 5.30 pm

The Zoom link is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8150195366?>

The Service sheet is on the group websites.

Collect – 7th Sunday after Trinity

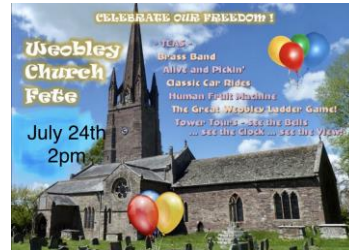
Lord of all power and might,
the author and giver of all good things:
graft in our hearts the love of your name,
increase in us true religion,
nourish us with all goodness,
and of your great mercy keep us in the same;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Readings:

Jeremiah 23.1-6
Ephesians 2.11 -end
Mark 6.30-34, 53-end

Dates for your Diary

Forthcoming Events



24th July 2pm Weobley Fete

25th July, 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd and
29th August -2-4 pm Letton
Summer Teas

All events are subject to change
in line with Covid restrictions as
appropriate.



The Big Holiday Club @ Weobley
Church 28th and 29th July
9.30am - 12.30pm for ages 7-11
years -Come along for games and
lots of Lego fun. To register email:
carolepage@hotmail.co.uk -please
register before 25th July.

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PRAYER FOCUS

If you know of anyone
who we could offer
prayers for please inform
the clergy team/Admin

For comfort in bereavement:

The family and friends
of the late Gordon
Valentine whose
funeral service is July
16th, 3.15pm at
Hereford Crematorium.

The family and friends
of the late Betty
Children, whose funeral
service is 29th July,
1.45pm at Norton
Canon Church.

As they prepare for their forthcoming wedding:

Alex Wright and Rose
Gregory-Pearson
Rhiannon Kearns and
Sam Matchette
Gareth Evans and Dana
Camm

In our Group of Parishes:

The Parish of
Monnington-on-Wye,
the Churchwarden Ray
Phillips, Parish Church
Council and all the
church community.

In the Diocese of Hereford:

Bishop Richard of
Hereford, Derek,
Archdeacon of
Hereford; Fiona,
Archdeacon of Ludlow.
Ledbury Deanery

The Wider Community

Eglise Anglicane du
Rwanda.

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July 25th

9.00 am Norton Canon, Holy Communion (CW)
10.30 am Letton, Service of the Word
10.30 am Weobley, Holy Communion (BCP)
5.30 pm Zoom Evening Prayer (BCP)

9.00 am Sarnesfield, Service of the Word
10.30 am Staunton-on-Wye, Eucharist (CW)
10.30 am Weobley, Eucharist (CW)
5pm Byford, Iona Evening Service