

Trinity 1 & 2

18/19 June and 24/25 June 2022



Hello Everyone,

Hooray – we'll be back in church this Sunday! **It is rather dusty and gritty so if you are available tomorrow (Friday 17th June) from 9.30am – 11am please drop in and help to clean ready for the funeral at 2pm.** If you can bring dusters so much the better! It looks like it will be a hot day but church is pleasantly cool.

Wednesday's service will be back in church (probably in the chancel) as well as on Conference Call.

As local Covid rates have gone up this week, ministers will continue to wear face coverings whilst administering communion and we will continue our current practice of administering the bread and wine together.

Thanks to all who supported last Sunday's PLANT SALE to support Christian Aid. We raised almost £120 which is brilliant. Well done Gerardine and team for organising it and to Ruth for picking up plants from Masefield Community Garden and returning our surplus ones.

IT'S CONCERT TIME!

- Come and listen to MADERA
Lesley and David form a Baroque ensemble and present a sunny programme of 18th century flute, recorder and clarinet music, including compositions by Handel and Mozart.
4pm – c5.45pm including refreshment break,
Saturday 25th June, 2022 in church
Admission free- donations welcomed to cover costs and raise money for church.
PLEASE DO SUPPORT THIS EVENT and invite friends along too.
- The piano students of Rosie Cross are playing in a **CONCERT** to raise funds for the Red Cross in Ukraine. This concert was put on as a result of the initiative of Ines Villalobos-Finnagan, one of Rosie's piano pupils. The concert will be on 2nd July at 6.00 p.m. at the Friends Meeting House, 65 Linden Road, Bournville. B30 1JT. Tickets are £5.00 for adults and £3.00 for children and can be obtained from Rosie Cross at 52 Woodland Road, Northfield, Telephone 07807450008.

The next **"Wild Church"** will be at 4pm in the churchyard on Sunday 3rd July.

Jeff Carr reports:

100 Club prize draw number 06 took place on another lovely sunny morning at the Black Horse Tues 14 Jun. The winners have been congratulated. First prize Vicki Reeves £20 number 26; second prize Jennie King £15 number 72; third prize Jennie King £10 number 95.

General updates about the 100 Club during 2022 can be seen by clicking the link :-

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/vv5cms6o9jq0zfn/AAAZWnPRvxVaY1jJo2r2jZB6a?dl=0>

The Deanery Newsletter is available <https://bit.ly/KNMSMay2022>

Julie Meadows and Kathy Mayne (07725031358)say “We would like to make a display of poppies for November but we need help from those who can knit or crochet!! Kathy has some patterns and will put them at the back of church for anyone to pick up! Once you have made some perhaps you could leave them in a bag marked ‘poppies’ at the back of church. It may seem a long way away but time does go so quickly!!!!

Eco Tip: In celebration of Jackie Careless’s British Empire Medal (from Allan’s Cross Community Garden), a tip on companion planting from the Community Garden for those who are currently planting out their edible crops: plant lavender near carrots and leeks to keep pests away and encourage pollinators such as butterflies and bees; borage flowers (which are edible) refill with nectar every two minutes so are fantastic for attracting pollinators, as well as repelling pests from tomatoes - and are said to improve the flavour of strawberries when planted amongst strawberry plants; marigolds act as a natural weed suppressant when planted between crops, and deter aphids and whitefly from beans and tomatoes.

Although Fathers’ Day is not a religious festival in the way that Mothering Sunday is, we still wish all Fathers a happy day on Sunday 19th June, give thanks to those who have ‘fathered’ us in the widest sense of its meaning and pray for those for whom this is a difficult day

Finally, Janice and I have had a good time attending the Bishop’s Conference in Swanwick and Revd Theresa joined through the live link. Bishop Rowan Williams and Bishop Anne gave us lots to think about as we contemplated The Beatitudes. I’m just popping back home to put the notices together and help clean the church before heading off to Wales for a few days. This means this is a 2 week edition of the notices.

Blessings

Canon Janet

For your Prayers

Those who are being Ordained

Claire Whitmore (our Queen’s link student in 2019-2021 and set us up on Zoom in lockdown) She will be ordained Deacon on 25th June in Southwark Cathedral and will serve her curacy in the Parish of Holy Trinity, Roehampton.

Jacob and Dorothea’s daughter *Tariro Matsveru* will be ordained priest on the same day continuing to serve as Assistant Curate at All Saints, Kings Heath as will *Ruth Harley* (Queen’s student 2019) serving in Milton Keynes.

Those who are ill

Peter Valentine: still in hospital. Little change in recent months.

Pat Billingham who is still waiting for back surgery.

Christine Dwyer (Lorraine's sister) gradually improving.

Pete Coyne good to see him at the Jubilee Tea but still attending appointments. His mother continues to be very ill.

Those who have died

Andrea Douglas-Slater (age 41) : Friday 17th June

Barry Chacksfield : funeral on 21st June (Fr John’s brother)

No Community News (as Revd Theresa has been at the conference)

But remember that Northfield Community Partnership Hub is open Monday - Friday 9am-5pm for any advice or support:

0121 411 2157

email info@northfieldcommunity.org

or just drop in at the NCP Hub, 693 Bristol Road South, Northfield, B31 2JT

SERVICES AND MEETINGS COMING UP	
<p>Saturdays Church Open 10 – 12noon Sat 25th June 4pm</p>	<p>Restarts this Saturday ‘Madera’ concert in church</p>
<p>Sundays 8.30am Sunday School Service 9.30am (for 9.40am) Holy Communion</p>	<p>In the Pastoral Centre – needs to be pre-booked https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/170206735929 bookings at 2pm on the Saturday before. In church by zoom and zoom-phone https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84533030134 Meeting ID: 845 3303 0134</p>
<p>Mondays 9.30 – 11am Stay and Play 5pm Evening Prayer by zoom</p>	<p>In Pastoral Centre https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89992167638 Meeting ID 89992167638</p>
<p>Tuesdays 10am Gridiron ‘Coffee’ 5pm Evening Prayer by zoom</p>	<p>Continuing to meet at 10.30am at The Black Horse https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89992167638 Meeting ID 89992167638</p>
<p>Wednesdays 10am Holy Communion 4.30 – 5.15pm Bible Study on coming Sunday’s readings by zoom 8.30pm Compline</p>	<p>In church and by Conference Call 0117 463 6922 Code 1139# https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89992167638 Meeting ID 89992167638 Use above phone number</p>
<p>Thursdays 2-3pm Handbell practice 3.15 – 5.15pm Larry’s (Year 7+) 23rd June only 7pm ‘Greater Chapter’ for Clergy, Readers and Churchwardens</p>	<p>In church vestry In Pastoral Centre By zoom – link to be supplied</p>
<p>Fridays 7.30 – 9pm Bell Ringing Practice</p>	<p>Currently suspended due to building work</p>
<p>Morning Prayer is said in church Tuesdays – Fridays c 8.30am – 8.55am (usually 8.20am on Wednesdays.) As it is often Canon Janet saying it alone in church we are only opening the church by arrangement. If you would like to attend or simply sit in the church and pray please let Canon Janet in advance.</p>	

Also - You can Phone a Service 24 hours a day!

freephone 0800 804 8044 for Daily Hope offers music, prayers and reflections as well as full worship services from the Church of England.

And to hear one of the **St Laurence Ministers preaching:** **0121 270 4690**

These are changed after the services on Sundays and Wednesdays (usually by early evening)

Peter Chapman is now making Sunday and Wednesday sermons available as **Podcasts:** via:





Spotify at <https://open.spotify.com/show/16wZUENutAJSTu5a4nPDde>

Apple at <https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/sermons-from-st-laurence-church-northfield/id1603832487>

and on other Podcast players the generic address is <https://feeds.buzzsprout.com/1915174.rss>

ALSO there is now a player for the sermon podcasts at the foot of the 'Worship' page on the Church web site which allows the sermons to be played directly from that page.

CONTACT DETAILS

PARISH OFFICE	
Lorraine Freeman (Parish Administrator) Lorraine is working in the office most weekdays 9-12noon (except Wednesdays when she works from home)	enquiries@saintlaurence.info (note this changed in October 2021)  0121 475 1518 Office CLOSED Bank holidays
RECTOR	
Canon Janet Chapman <i>Day off: unavailable until 25th June</i>	janet.rectory@gmail.com  0121 477 3111
ASSISTANT CURATE	
Revd Theresa Morton <i>Day off: Friday (this week Saturday 18th June)</i>	theresa.curate@gmail.com  07557472096
READER	
Janice Wones <i>Day off: Friday</i>	janice.wones@talktalk.net  0121 459 7417

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Facebook www.facebook.com/StLaurenceChurchNorthfield

YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/c/stlaurencenorthfield>

Safeguarding is everybody's responsibility. If you need to contact someone regarding a church safeguarding concern (adults or children), please call our Parish Safeguarding Co-ordinator, Rowena Nicholls, on 07724 170448.

If you have an urgent concern for the safety of yourself or someone else, call 999.

Sadly, some people have been **abused by someone from a church**. “Safe Spaces” is a free, independent support service providing a confidential personal and safe space for anyone who has been abused by someone from a church or as a result of their relationship with the Church of England, the Catholic Church in England and Wales, or the Church in Wales. Although funded by the churches it is run by the independent charity, Victim Support. If you have been affected, however long ago, they can provide you with support. You do not have need to have told the police or the church authorities. Your information will not be shared without your consent unless you or someone else is in danger. Telephone 0300 303 1056 for more information.

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