



June – July 2019

The proposed Interior Porch

This is now moving through the faculty (church planning permission) process and we have just learnt that SPAB – the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings - has approved the design.

St Laurence SPOTS (Society for the Preservation of Traditional Skills!) held its first meeting in May with sewing machines whirring and knitting needles clicking and granny squares being crocheted. Skills were shared and stories exchanged. You can bring your own projects but we have plenty of wool, material and needles available too so come along and join in. The next meetings are Monday 17 June & Monday 15 July – drop in anytime from 10am -3pm. There's even a light lunch available. No formal charge but donations welcome.

Eco-Church

Roy Pouncett is now taking our used disposable coffee cups to be recycled at Costa Coffee on a regular basis so make sure you put them in the small green box rather than in the bin. Better still – save the church money as well as the environment by bringing your own mug on Sundays.

Also ... did you know the location of your fridge can make a difference in how energy efficient it is? Make sure it is out of direct sunlight and not close to the oven. Keeping it against an outside wall will help the heat it generates escape easily, and always make sure that there is a few inches' space all around the fridge so that air can circulate.

Pastoral Centre web site

The new Pastoral Centre web site (www.stlaurencepastoralcentre.org.uk) is now live. There is a link to it from the main church web-site too. It carries the Calendar of Bookings in the Centre. PLEASE check the calendar - <http://bit.ly/PastoralBookings> - before arranging an event in the Centre. The Centre is getting busier so Lorraine may not be able to squeeze your event in unless she knows about it well in advance! We are grateful to the Local Innovation Fund for a grant which has paid for this development.

June 2019		MP	EP	MP: Morning Prayer EP: Evening Prayer These are quiet said services which last 25 – 30mins. Church is opened just a few minutes before each service.
Mon	3	8am	5pm	9.30am-11am Stay and Play (Parent/carer & baby/toddlers) 2pm Mothers' Union in the Pastoral Centre 6pm-7pm St Laurence Community Choir in Church 8pm Choir Rehearsal in Church
Tues	4	8am	5pm	10am Gridiron Coffee Pastoral Centre 3pm Look Out Group Leaders meeting at the Rectory OR 7.30pm Look Out Group Leaders meeting at the Rectory
Wed	5	8am	5pm	10am Holy Communion (BCP) 5.45 – 6.30pm Parish Surgery (baptism & wedding enquiries)
Thur	6	8am	5pm	10.04am train from Northfield Gridiron walk from Smethwick Rolfe St to Galton Valley Heritage Trail 3pm Handbell Ringers in church
Fri	7	8am	5pm	7.45pm Bellringing Practice
Sat	8	x	x	10am-11.30am Church open
Sun	9	Pentecost /Whit Sunday		8.30am Family Communion <i>led by Mothers' Union</i> 10am Family Communion with Parade <i>led by Mothers' Union</i> Bake Sale after both communion services to support MU 12noon Holy Baptism
Mon	10	8am	5pm	<i>Canon Janet at Bishop's Conference until Thursday</i> 9.30am-11am Stay and Play (Parent/carer & baby/toddlers) 6pm-7pm St Laurence Community Choir in Church
Tues	11	8am	5pm	9.15am Year 3 & Year 4 Collective Worship in church 10am Gridiron Coffee (Pastoral Centre)
Wed	12	8am	5pm	10am Holy Communion (BCP) 5.45 – 6.30pm Parish Surgery (baptism & wedding enquiries)
Thur	13	8am	5pm	3pm Handbell Ringers in church
Fri	14	8am	5pm	7.45pm Bellringing Practice
Sat	15	x	x	10am-11.30am Church open 10.15am – 12.15 Bellringing School 4.30pm Afternoon Worship and Reflection
Sun	16	Trinity Sunday		8.30am Holy Communion; <i>Sunday School Pastoral Centre</i> 10am Holy Communion
Mon	17	8am	5pm	9.30am-11am Stay and Play (Parent/carer & baby/toddlers) 10am-3pm SPOTS in the Pastoral Centre – lunch available 6pm-7pm St Laurence Community Choir in Church
Tues	18	8am	5pm	9.30am Holy Dusters 10am Gridiron Coffee (Pastoral Centre)
Wed	19	8am	5pm	10am Holy Communion (BCP) 11.30am & 1.45pm Year 5 Explained Eucharist in church 2pm Afternoon tea at Bromsgrove Golf Club 5.45-6.30pm Parish Surgery (baptism & wedding enquiries)
Thur CC	20	8am	5pm	9.15am Year 5 Explained Eucharist in church 11am Holy Communion for the Feast of Corpus Christi 12noon Informal Lunch at Northfield Baptist Church 3pm Handbell Ringers in church

Fri	21	8am	5pm	7.45pm Bellringing Practice
Sat	22	x	x	10am – 11.30am Church Open with tea & coffee 10.15am – 12.15 Bellringing School 3-4pm Teddy Bears' Picnic for families with young children (and all young at heart) in the Pastoral Centre
Sun	23	1st Sunday after Trinity		8.30am Rise & Shine! in the Pastoral Centre 8.30am Holy Communion in church 10am Sung Communion and Holy Baptism <i>with Sunday School</i> 1.30pm Holy Baptism led by St Bartholomew's
Mon	24	8am	5pm	9.30am-11am Stay and Play (Parent/carer & baby/toddlers) 6pm-7pm St Laurence Community Choir in Church 7.30pm Sunday School leaders meeting at the Rectory
Tues	25	8am	5pm	10am Gridiron Coffee (Pastoral Centre) 7pm PCC Meeting
Wed	26	8am HC	5pm	8am School Communion 10am Holy Communion (BCP) 5.45 – 6.30pm Parish Surgery (baptism & wedding enquiries)
Thur	27	8am	5pm	1.45pm Eco-church Meeting at the Rectory 3pm Handbell Ringers in church 7pm Social & Fundraising Meeting in the Pastoral Centre
Fri	28	8am	5pm	7.45pm Bellringing Practice
Sat	29	x	x	4-5pm Beetle Drive in Pastoral Centre 10am-11.30am Church open with tea & coffee
Sun	30	2nd Sunday after Trinity		8.30am Holy Communion <i>with Sunday School</i> 10am Sung Holy Communion <i>with Sunday School</i>

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Mon	1	8am	x	9.30-11am Stay and Play (Parent/carer & baby/toddlers) 2-4pm Mothers' Union Garden Party: Pastoral Centre 6pm-7pm St Laurence Community Choir in Church 8pm Choir Rehearsal in church
Tue	2	8am	5pm	10am Gridiron Coffee: Pastoral Centre. 7.30pm Deanery Synod: Barnt Green
Wed	3	8am	5pm	10am Holy Communion (BCP) 5.45-6.30pm Parish Surgery (baptism & wedding enquiries)
Thur	4	8am	5pm	3pm Handbell Ringers in church
Fri	5	8am	5pm	7.45pm Bellringing Practice
Sat	6	x	x	10 – 11.30am Church Open with tea & coffee 10.15am – 12.15 Bellringing School 2.30pm Wedding of Damon Jones & Jade Simpson 12 – 4pm CTinN run Tea Tent at Northfield Carnival
Sun	7	3rd Sunday after Trinity		8.30am Holy Communion <i>with Sunday School in Pastoral Centre</i> 10am Sung Holy Communion <i>with Sunday School in church</i>
Mon	8	8am	5pm	9.30am-11am Stay and Play (Parent/carer & baby/toddlers) 6pm-7pm St Laurence Community Choir in Church
Tues	9	8am	5pm	10am Gridiron Coffee: Pastoral Centre
Wed	10	8am	5pm	10am Holy Communion (BCP)

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Thur	11	8am	5pm	3pm Handbell Ringers in church
Fri	12	8am	5pm	7.45pm Bellringing Practice
Sat	13	x	x	10-11.30am Church open with tea & coffee 2pm Wedding of Martin Heath and Tegan Bates
Sun	14	4th Sunday after Trinity		8.30am Family Communion 10am Family Communion <i>with Parade</i>
Mon	15	8am	5pm	9.30-11am Stay and Play (Parent/carer & baby/toddlers) 10am-3pm SPOTS in the Pastoral Centre 6pm-7pm St Laurence Community Choir in Church
Tues	16	8am	5pm	9.15am Year 6 Leavers' Eucharist in church 10am Gridiron Coffee Pastoral Centre 7.30pm Churches Together in Northfield meeting Venue tbc
Wed	17	8am	5pm	10am Holy Communion (BCP) 5.45 – 6.30pm Parish Surgery (baptism & wedding enquiries)
Thur	18	8am	5pm	3pm Handbell Ringers in church
Fri	19	8am	5pm	7.45pm Bellringing Practice
Sat	20	x	x	10-noon Church open with tea & coffee 10.15am – 12.15 Bellringing School 3pm Wedding of John Hayes and Lynne McSwiggan
Sun	21	5th Sunday after Trinity		8.30am Holy Communion: <i>Sunday School in Pastoral Centre</i> 10am Holy Communion & Holy Baptism <i>with Sunday School</i>
Mon	22	8am	5pm	NO Stay and Play now until September 6pm-7pm St Laurence Community Choir in Church
Tues	23	8am	5pm	9.30am Holy Dusters 10am Gridiron Coffee: Pastoral Centre
Wed	24	8am	5pm	10am Holy Communion (BCP) 5.45 – 6.30pm Parish Surgery (baptism & wedding enquiries)
Thur	25	8am	5pm	3pm Handbell Ringers in church
Fri	26	8am	5pm	7.45pm Bellringing Practice
Sat	27	x	x	10am -11.30 Church open with tea & coffee
Sun	28	6th Sunday after Trinity		8.30am Rise & Shine Service: Pastoral Centre 8.30am Holy Communion 10am Sung Communion: <i>Sunday School in Church</i> 12 noon Holy Baptism 1.30pm Holy Baptism led by St Bartholomew's

Save the Dates Heritage Open Weekend - Friday 20 & Saturday 21 September
Harvest - Sunday 6 October Christmas Fayre - Saturday 23 November

Baptism & Wedding Enquiries

Please come to Parish Surgery Wednesdays
5.45 – 6.30pm in the Pastoral Centre
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