

Please pray for:

- James and Laura who were married on Sep 7 at St John's and Scott and Gemma who are getting married on Sep 28 at St John's.
- Anyone who is unwell, especially Hilary Savin, Margaret Barnsley, Margaret Boey, Roger Miles, Adam, Diana Teague, Brenda Beard, Cynthia Hall, Diane Powell, Beryl Evans, Gwen Bedney, Peggy Turley, Joy Wentworth and Neil Wentworth.
- Others around the Benefice who need prayer, especially Tania, Someyah, Edna, Eileen, Jean Byett, Harold James, Ian & Joan Jones, Sandra Morgan, Glyn & Theresa Preest, Marcus Turner and Len Warner.
- Anthea as she starts her ordination training. For peace about how it is all going to fit in and wisdom to know when to say no.
- Richard and Chris as they prepare to start their first year of Reader ministry training; Eunice and Linda as they prepare for their second year.
- Children and young people as they go back to school, some to a new school and most to new classes. That they will settle in quickly.
- The Jones Family and join with them in giving thanks for a positive outcome in Chloe's adoption.
- The street pastors in Cinderford as they go out on to the streets, they are out every Saturday from 8 pm until 1 am.
- Jim and Adalia Fisher in the Philippines.

Prayer Chain – if you have an urgent need for prayer please contact Eunice on 01594 826753 or Mike on 01594 822286.

Pause for prayer Tuesday mornings, 10.30 am at Dorothy Arnison's home: 57 Heywood Rd, Cinderford. If you would like prayer for yourself or someone you know please contact Dorothy on 824840 or pop along and join the group.

Prayer meetings are from 9.30 am at St Stephen's on the 1st Saturday of the month + St Ethelbert's on the 2nd Saturday of the month.

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Benefice of Cinderford with Littledean

**St Ethelbert's, St John's and St Michael's,
St Stephen's and Bilson Mission**



Welcome to our services of worship. If you are a visitor we hope you will feel at home and look forward to meeting you after the service. If you use a hearing aid, please switch to the 'T' setting to access our Loop System (at St Stephen's, St Ethelbert's and St John's).

Readings

Sep 15: Exodus 32:7-14 Psalm 51:1-11 1 Timothy 1:12-17 Luke 15:1-10

Sep 22: Amos 8:4-7 Psalm 113 1 Timothy 2:1-7 Luke 16:1-13

Sunday 15 September (3rd Sunday)

9:30 am - Holy Communion at St John's

10.30 am - **Harvest Joint Service** at The URC

11.00 am - Baptism at St Stephen's

3.00 pm - Holy Communion at St Stephen's

5.00 pm - Songs of Praise at **THE URC** followed by **Harvest Supper**

*** St Ethelbert's has experienced some water damage,
please check before attending any events or services there,
the aim is to reopen the church as soon as possible. Thank you. ***

Week around the Benefice

Tue 17 - 2.00 pm **Arts and Crafts** at The Vicarage

Wed 18 - 10.00 am Holy Communion at St Stephen's

Wed 18 - 7.30 pm Lectio Divina Bible Study at St Stephen's

Fri 20 - 10.00 am Coffee Morning at St Stephen's

Fri 20 - 4.30 - 6.00 pm **F.A.N. Club** (Years 1-6) at St Stephen's

Fri 20 - 7.00 - 9.00 pm **S.M.I.L.E.** group (girls 11-16) at The Vicarage

Fri 20 - 7.00 - 9.00 pm **IF** group (boys 11-16) at St Stephen's

Sat 21 - 9.30 am - 5:30 pm **Benefice Pilgrimage** starting at St Michael's

Sunday 22 September (4th Sunday)

9:30 am - Holy Communion at St John's

10.30 am - Family Service at St Ethelbert's (Please check location)

11.00 am - **All Age Harvest Service** at St Stephen's

1.00 pm - Fellowship Lunch followed by Fairtrade BakeOff at St Stephen's

3.00 pm - Holy Communion at Bilson

If Coffee/Tea is being served after the service
you are attending please stay and join us.

Open the Book is a national organisation made up of groups of volunteers who go into local schools and share stories from The Bible. The teams for St White's and Littledean Primary could each do with a few more members. St White's team - Nikola Poole (822967) and Littledean team - Ann Ladd (822735).

Will Aid is a special partnership between the legal profession and nine UK charities including Christian Aid. Every November, local participating solicitors waive their fee for writing or updating a basic will. Instead, they invite clients to make a donation to Will Aid. The suggested donation is £90 for a single basic will, £135 for a pair of matching wills. To take part simply visit www.willaid.org.uk or call the helpline on 0300 0300 013 (there are several local solicitors involved). Will Aid takes place only in November. Book early to avoid disappointment.

Lectio Divina Modus Cinisvadum (Godly reading Cinderford style)

The group meets on various Wednesdays during term-time from 7.30 pm at St Stephen's for Bible reading, contemplation, discussion and prayer. This term's theme is **Prayer**, dates are Sep 18, Oct 9, Oct 23, Nov 6, Nov 20 and Dec 4.

Everyone is welcome, it would be great to see you there.

Dates for your diary:

24 September - 7.00 pm **Ladies' Meal** at The Curry Leaf

29 September - 11.00 am **Chloe's Baptism** followed by Bring and Share Fellowship Lunch at St Stephen's

25 September and 2 October - **Bishop Michael's Teaching Evenings** on the Eucharist at St Stephen's

11 and 12 October - **Ladies' Conference** at St Stephen's

13 October - 7.00 pm **Healing Service** at St Stephen's

24 October - 7.00 pm **CTiC Skittles Night** at The Belfry

16 November - **Deanery Discovery Day** at Viney Hill

19 November - **CTiC Teaching Evening** with Paul Mallard at Cinderford Methodist Church

23 November - **St Stephen's Christmas Fayre**

30 November - **St Ethelbert's Christmas Market**

8 December - 7.00 pm **Healing Service** at St Stephen's

Could you make the world a friendlier place by offering an invitation to an international student at a UK university, for just a day, a weekend or 3 days at Christmas? Young adults from many countries would love to have a homely break and discover the real life of this country. **HOST** is a well-established charity which takes care in linking students with volunteer hosts. www.hostuk.org or call Lynette Chappin, 02920 693903.

Ladies' Meal at The Curry Leaf

Tuesday 24 September, 7.00 pm. £10 each, £5 deposit to book your place. Please see Sian (822286) or Rachel (719438) to book.

Benefice Pilgrimage Walk - Saturday 21 September - Start at St Michael's, **meeting at 9:30 am** for prayer, departing at 10 am then walking to St Ethelbert's (arriving at 11:30 am, departing at 12 noon), St Stephen's (arriving at 1.30 pm for lunch, departing at 2.15 pm), Bilson Mission (arriving at 3.15 pm, departing at 3.45 pm) and finishing at St John's (arriving at 5.00 pm). **Please join us for one or more sections of the walk or for fellowship, prayer, a chat and refreshments at any of the churches.** Any questions, contact Peter (822967).

The **SHINE Ladies' Conference** is fast approaching, the event will be held at St Stephen's on Fri 12 and Sat 13 October. There will be a range of speakers, prayer, worship (various styles), food, craft and time for fellowship. Please register online (www.cinderford-churches.org.uk/shine) or using a registration form. See the website, Sian (822286) or Rachel (719438) for more info.

Fairtrade BakeOff in aid of Traidcraft Exchange

The bakeoff will be held following the Fellowship Lunch at St Stephen's on Sep 22. The rules are very similar to last time, but as the aim is to raise both awareness of Fairtrade and also money for Traidcraft Exchange we are asking for 50p per adult entry and 20p per child entry. There will be no other puddings served at lunch and donations will be taken separately for the cakes.

Entries **MUST** use Fairtrade sugar, points will be given for any Fairtrade products AND local produce used as other ingredients. Consideration will also be given to overall appearance, taste and creativity. Looking forward to LOTS more yummy entries! For more info see Rachel (719438).



Harvest Around the Benefice

Sunday 15 Sep - 10.30 am **Joint Harvest Service** at the URC, Littledean

Sunday 15 Sep - 5.00 pm **Songs of Praise** at **THE URC** followed by **Harvest Supper**

Sunday 22 Sep - 11.00 am **Harvest All Age Worship Service** at St Stephen's

Sunday 22 Sep - 1.00 pm **Harvest Lunch** followed by **Fairtrade BakeOff** in aid of Traidcraft Exchange at St Stephen's

Sunday 29 Sep - 6.00 pm **Harvest Service and Supper** at St John's



If you have a notice you would like to be on the notice sheet please contact Rachel on 719438 or news@cinderford-churches.org.uk.