

## Please pray for:

- Those who have recently been bereaved; especially Linda Blagg and family (after the loss of Linda's father) and the families of John Griffiths and John Baker.
- Anyone who is unwell, especially Roma Greenaway, Beryl Evans, Dot Sandford, Rod Neep, Junior, Hilary Savin, Margaret Boey, Roger Miles, Adam, Diana Teague, Brenda Beard, Cynthia Hall, Diane Powell, 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, Joan & Ian Jones, Sandra Morgan, Glyn & Theresa Preest, Marcus Turner and Len Warner.
- All those in training for reader and ordained ministry; Anthea, Eunice, Linda, Richard and Chris.
- Children, young people and leaders involved in F.A.N. Club, S.M.I.L.E, IF and Sunday morning groups.
- The street pastors in Cinderford as they go out on to the streets, they are out every Saturday from 8 pm until 1 am.
- More volunteers for the Street Pastor team
- Jim and Adalia Fisher in the Philippines.

**Pause for prayer** Tuesday mornings, 10.30 am at The Vicarage. If you would like prayer for yourself or someone you know please contact Dorothy on 824840 or Eunice on 826753 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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(Please try to avoid contacting Mike on his day off, Monday.)

### Urgent Prayer Requests –

Please contact either:

Eunice Wilson Tel: 01594 826753

Mike Barnsley Tel: 01594 822286.

### Visit the Benefice Website:

[www.cinderford-churches.org.uk](http://www.cinderford-churches.org.uk)

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### Churchwarden at St Ethelbert's:

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### Churchwardens at St John's:

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### Churchwardens at St Stephen's:

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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](mailto:news@cinderford-churches.org.uk).

## Benefice of Cinderford Churches 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

**Feb 16:** Deut 30:15-end Psalm 119:1-8

1 Corinthians 3:1-9 Matthew 5:21-37

**Feb 23:** Gen 1:1-2:3 Psalm 136:1-9,23-end

Romans 8:18-25 Matthew 6:25-end

### Sunday 16 February (3rd Sun before Lent)

9.30 am Holy Communion, St John's

10.30 am Joint Service, Littledean URC

11.00 am Morning Worship and

Junior Church, St Stephen's

3.00 pm Holy Communion, St Stephen's

### Sunday 23 February (2nd Sun before Lent)

9.30 am Holy Communion, St John's

10.30 am Family Service, Littledean URC

11.00 am All Age Worship, St Stephen's

1.00 pm Fellowship Lunch, St Stephen's

and **Fairtrade BakeOff**

3.00 pm Holy Communion, St Stephen's

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

### **This Week Around the Benefice**

Tue 18 - 10.30am Pause for Prayer  
at The Vicarage  
Tue 18 - 2.00 pm -4.00 pm 'Craft & a Cuppa'  
at The Vicarage  
Wed 19 - 10.00 am Holy Communion  
at St Stephen's  
Fri 21 - 10.00 am Coffee Morning  
at St Stephen's  
Fri 21 - NO **F.A.N. Club** (Years 1-6)  
Fri 21 - NO **S.M.I.L.E. group** (girls, Year 7+)  
Fri 21 - NO **IF group** (boys, Year 7+)

### **FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT** is Feb 24 - March 9

Feb 23 - **All Age Worship** at St Stephen's

Feb 23 - **Fairtrade BakeOff**

MUST use **Fairtrade sugar**,  
entries judged on number of

**Fairtrade ingredients along with  
overall creativity and taste!**

Children's and Adult Prizes.

Please bring packets along to showcase the  
range of Fairtrade products available.

Entries to be eaten for pudding as part of the  
Fellowship Lunch (from 1 pm Sun 23).

March 8 - **Big Brew Coffee Morning  
and Activities Day from 11 am till 3 pm.**

Cakes, light lunches, activities,

**Fairtrade displays and stalls,**

a **chocolate fountain** and  
a **GIANT banana split** (at 1pm).

Please come along and INVITE your friends!

For posters, please contact Rachel (719438).

### **SHROVE TUESDAY**, March 4

#### **Quiet Day at the Cathedral**

#### **"Journey with Christ to the Cross and**

**Beyond"** Led by Paula Gooder, starting at 10  
am, finishes 3.10 pm with Evening Prayer.

**Pancakes** Sweet and Savoury fillings available,  
starts 6 pm at St Stephen's Church.

#### **LIVE LENT**

**Lent Course** - 7.30 pm at St Stephen's,  
Wednesdays. 12, 19, 26 March and 2, 9 April.

**Lent Book** - Mike is going to be reading "Lent  
for Everyone: Matthew" + encourages others  
to join him. Books cost £5 from Mike (please  
order asap) **or** you can access a mini version on  
the YouVersion App for FREE (see Chris).  
Please let Mike know if you plan to join in.

**Live Lent Lunches** - providing a basic meal and  
space for prayer and reflection in church.

All at St Stephen's from 12 noon - 2 pm.

Sat: Mar 22, Mar 29, April 5, April 12.

**Christian Aid Count Your Blessings** - These  
are leaflets provided by Christian Aid with  
daily reflections for use during Lent and  
opportunities to donate to Christian Aid.

They will be available soon from Mike.

**Brownies are 100 years old this year!** As part  
of *The Big Brownie Birthday Challenge*, the 2nd  
Cinderford Brownies would like to ask their  
community to support World Thinking Day (22  
Feb) by placing a light or display in their  
window, if they are (or were) a Brownie.

Please let Janet (Guide Leader) know if you  
plan on joining in - janet@tonybtanks.co.uk.

The **ELECTORAL ROLLs** are due to be revised  
before the Annual Parochial Church Meetings  
(APCMs). If you aren't on the Roll, or any if  
your details have changed, please get a form  
from your Electoral Roll Officer: St John's (+St  
Michael's): **Jennifer Lang**; St Stephen's  
(+Bilson): **Rachel Witham**; St Eth's: **Ann Ladd**.

**APCMs:** St John's: Sunday 6 April, 3.30 pm  
St Stephen's: Sunday 27 April, 4.00 pm  
St Eth's: Tuesday 29 April, 7.30 pm

**Last dates for forms:** **St John's:** Sun 16 March;  
**St Stephen's:** Sun 6 April; **St Eth's:** Tue 8 April.

### **Fairtrade Easter Eggs** - 2 "**Real Easter Eggs**"

are available from **Traidcraft**, one with  
chocolate buttons + an Easter story booklet  
(RRP £3.99) and a second larger egg with a bar  
of orange chocolate and an olive wood praying  
cross (RRP £9.99). Eggs will be ordered on  
request, the more ordered, the cheaper they  
will be. Contact Rachel (719438) to order.

### **BISHOP MICHAEL DATES**

**Fri 28 Feb** - 6.30 pm Supper and Q&A at  
Christchurch

**Sat 1 March** - 8.30 am Morning Prayer and  
Men's Breakfast at **St Stephen's**

**Sat 1 March** - Teaching Day at  
St John's Primary, Coleford

**Sun 2 March** - 9.30 Eucharist at St John's  
& 11.00 Holy Communion at St Ethelbert's

Diocesan Pilgrimage 2014 - Sat 15 March  
9am St Mary's English Bicknor, to St Peter's  
Clifford Mesne for Evening Prayer at 6pm.