

Please pray for:

- Those who have recently been bereaved; especially the families of Jacob, Violet Malsom, Leslie Kibble, Joan Cargill and Derek Thomas.
- Anyone who is unwell, especially Elaine Turner, 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 ordained and reader 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.
- St Stephen's PCC as they meet on Tuesday evening, for wisdom and discernment.
- 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 Street Pastor teams.
- 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:

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Visit the Benefice Website:

www.cinderford-churches.org.uk

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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.

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

Benefice of Cinderford with Littledean Cinderford Churches



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

Mar 9: Genesis 2:15-17,3:1-7 Psalm 32

Romans 5:12-19 Matthew 4:1-11

Mar 16: Genesis 12:1-4a Psalm 121

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17 John 3:1-17

Sunday 9 March (1st Sunday of Lent)

9.00 am Communion by Extension (CBE),
St Stephen's

9.30 am CBE, St John's

10.30 am CBE, St Ethelbert's

11.00 am Morning Worship, St Stephen's

3.00 pm Evensong, Bilson

7.00 pm Healing Service, St Stephen's

Sunday 16 March (2nd Sunday of Lent)

9.30 am Parish Eucharist, St John's

10.30 am Joint Service, URC

11.00 am Baptism (Ben Auld), St Stephen's

12.00 noon Fellowship Lunch to celebrate
Ben's baptism

3.00 pm Holy Communion, St Stephen's

This Week Around the Benefice

Tue 11 - 10.30am Pause for Prayer, Vicarage

Tue 11 - 2.00 pm 'Craft & a Cuppa', Vicarage

Wed 12 - 10.00 am Holy Communion,
St Michael's

Wed 12 - 7.30 pm **Live Lent Course**
at St Stephen's

Fri 14 - 10.00 am Coffee Morning
at St Stephen's

Fri 14 - 4.30 pm - 6.00 pm **F.A.N. Club**
(Years 1-6) at St Stephen's

Fri 14 - 7.00 pm - 9.00 pm **S.M.I.L.E. group**
(girls, Year 7+) at The Vicarage

Fri 14 - 7.00 pm - 9.00 pm **IF group**
(boys, Year 7+) at St Stephen's

Sat 15 - 9.00 am BoB Breakfast, St Stephen's

The next **BoB Breakfast** is this Saturday,
15 March, at St Stephen's from 9am till 10am.
Men, please do come along and join us!

Ben Auld is getting baptised next Sunday
(16 March) at St Stephen's, 11am service.

Katie and James would like to invite the
church family to join them for a **bring and
share lunch to celebrate** with their family.

There will be a big cake, so please bring a
savoury dish or just stay and share the food.

**Healing Service Tonight (Sunday 9 March) at
St Stephen's from 7.00 pm.** A chance to meet
together for worship, some teaching and
opportunities for prayer. Please come along +
consider if there's someone you could invite.
If you need a lift, contact Rachel (719438).

LIVE LENT

Course Starts THIS Wednesday!

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

Lent Book - Mike will be reading "Lent for
Everyone: Matthew." A mini version can be
accessed online or phone app (see Chris).

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 - leaflets
from Christian Aid with daily reflections and
opportunities to donate to Christian Aid

"Bring Me Sunshine" a light-hearted look at
the ups and downs of family life. With Rob
Parsons and John Archer. **Tue 11 March** at
The Capital Venue, GL2 2AB. Tickets £5,
www.careforthefamily.org.uk/sunshine

The **ELECTORAL ROLLS** are due to be revised
before the Annual Parish Council Meetings. If
you aren't on the Roll, or if any of 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 Mar;
St Stephen's: Sun 6 April; **St Eth's:** Tue 8 April.

A **MASSIVE THANK YOU** to all who helped
at and attended the **Big Brew** yesterday.
There was lots of bananas, cakes and fun and
together we raised **£215 for Traidcraft
Exchange!** There will be some cakes on sale at
the back of St Stephen's after the 11am
service if you would like to make a donation in
exchange for some treats please do so!

Traidcraft Exchange are the charity arm of
Traidcraft, they campaign for trade justice (see
information at the back of St Stephen's for
current campaigns) and also help work
alongside smaller farms and cooperatives to
help establish more Fairtrade practices,
alongside educating people in better trade
practices and farming techniques.
For more info contact Rachel (719438).

Also a thank you to the Co-op for donating
£35 towards the event and also all those that
made cakes, soup, chilli, coleslaw, etc.



Fairtrade Easter Eggs - 2 "Real Easter Eggs"
are available from **Traidcraft**, 1 with chocolate
buttons + an Easter story booklet (RRP £3.99)
2 is a larger egg with a bar of orange chocolate
and an olive wood praying cross (RRP £9.99).
Contact Rachel (719438) to order.

If you would like to order anything from the
Traidcraft catalogue, please let Rachel know.
Regular orders are placed, one will be placed
today (Sunday 9 March). Thank you.