



NEWS & VIEWS

from the Benefice of Cinderford with Littledean

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Who's on the Trike?



Associate Priest's Letter

Hi everyone!!

Welcome back to the benefice magazine! I've really missed it and am somewhat surprised I've managed to get to anything over the last few months without it to consult for 'times and places'. It's great we've found a new printer, and I look forward to the magazine being a staple part of church and community life again. Don't forget to send in write-ups for anything you've been involved in so we all get to hear about it or let us all know what you have planned in the coming weeks/months so we can hold the dates in our diaries.

I intended to write this letter sitting in my sun-drenched room, with the beautiful sound of birdsong outside my window, while on retreat last weekend. Microsoft however had a different idea and chose that time for my laptop to need an update. There was no way I was going to be allowed to use the software as it was – and there was no phone signal or Wi-Fi to allow me to update it. In some ways that was wonderful as I could give my attention to God, but in another, I missed being in contact with friends and family outside.

The retreat is in a beautiful location, and after the 'moody' atmosphere with the weather on Friday night, we were treated to a beautiful couple of days. There's literally no noise apart from the wildlife, and the sounds of worship as we joined the nuns for their services. Oh, and the chit-chat, laughter and sobs of my friends and me!! I was away with some fellow Ordinands – as was! We've pledged to have an annual retreat, and the date had been in our diaries for a full year – as is next year's now! If we don't do that, we'll never get a date we can all make. I appreciate I'm very fortunate to be able to do this. Many of you are unable to get away for varying reasons.

There have been a lot of exciting things happening for me over the last few months: the benefice pilgrimage must get a mention! Then there's the meeting with +Rachel to agree to signing off my curacy; the licensing service in +Rachel's private chapel; and the celebratory service in the benefice to mark the beginning of my ministry as Associate Priest. I want to say a HUGE thank you to you all for the support you've been on this journey. Old friendships have been strengthened and new friendships made. I've been truly blessed by your encouragement. Thanks to so many of you for being there for the milestone occasions, but also in the tough times of essay and assignment writing, pending deadlines, and as I've juggled ministry, work and leisure – just as we all do in our own situations and in our various ways.

Being an introvert, something I dearly love about being on retreat is the silence, but it also provides the atmosphere to open ourselves up to God, and to seek what He may have to say to us, not necessarily through audible words, but maybe through something we read, through the beauty of our surroundings, an affirmatory thought etc. This retreat is different as I'm away with dear friends. We've built deep relationships through training together. We've laughed huge belly laughs together, and we've sobbed heartfelt sobs as we've worked through deep wounds, surrounded by the love and prayers of others.

I was reminded on this retreat especially, of the importance of trusted friendships: people we can share our deepest hurts, our worries, but also our joys and hopes with – personal or concerning loved ones. There are times when things are bleak and we can't stand for ourselves, and we need others to do that for us. Friendships are important, but I was also reminded how we have the perfect listener and comforter in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. To help me remember this I re-read Psalm 139 – one of my favourites. Maybe you could read it again to remind yourself. God knows us better than we even admit to ourselves! We are there for each other in times of difficulties, but God is there too, always. Even in dark times when things seem bleak, He is there waiting to hear from us, waiting to comfort us. And He gives us people to walk alongside us. So, let's walk with each other in His light, sharing both our joys and our pains, and may we be a light for each other and for our community.

God bless. Anthea x



	St Ethelbert's	St John's	St Stephen's	Hanover Court
Sun 2 June	10.30 am SW	9.30 am PE	11.00 am HC, JC, WILD	
Sun 9 June	10.30 am HC	9.30 am PE	11.00 am MW, JC, WILD 3.00 pm Messy Church	3.00 pm HC
Sun 16 June	10.30 am JS @ URC	9.30 am PE	11.00 am Baptism 3.00 pm HC	
Sun 23 June	10.30 am MP	9.30 am PE	11.00 am AAW	3.00 pm SW
Sun 30 June	10.30 am JHC @ URC	9.30 am PE	11.00 am MW, JC, WILD	
Sun 7 July	10.30 am SW	9.30 am PE	11.00 am HC, JC, WILD	

Midweek Service Times

Wed 5 June, 10.00 am HC at St Stephen's
7.30 pm Shalom at St Stephen's
Wed 12 June, 10.00 am HC at St John's
Wed 19 June, 10.00 am HC at St Stephen's
7.30 pm Shalom at St Stephen's
Wed 26 June, 10.00 am HC at St John's
Wed 3 July, 10.00 am HC at St Stephen's

AAW = All Age Worship;
HC = Holy Communion;
JC = Junior Church (preschool up to Y6);
JHC = Joint Holy Communion; JS = Joint Service;
MP = Morning Prayer; MW = Morning Worship;
PE = Parish Eucharist; SW = Sunday Worship;
URC = Littledean United Reform Church;
WILD = Youth Group (Y7 - Y13).



Cupcake Day Fundraiser for Alzheimer's Society

St Stephen's is once again hosting a Cupcake Day Fundraiser to raise funds for The Alzheimer's Society.

Sadly, in the UK someone develops dementia every three minutes, and there is currently no cure. Until the day a cure is found, the Alzheimer's Society aims to support anyone affected by dementia -

wherever they are, whatever they are going through. They are working tirelessly to provide support, find new treatments and ultimately, a cure, for dementia.

Come and learn more about this devastating illness, enjoy some games, and of course cake, and help raise money for this fantastic charity.

The cupcake day will be held at St Stephen's Church on Friday 14 June, 10.00 am - 11.30 am and there will be lots of delicious cupcakes alongside Fairtrade teas and coffees to enjoy.

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St Ethelbert's, Littledean, GL14 3NL
Holds a range of services at 10.30 am. On the 3rd Sunday of each month a joint service is held at Littledean URC.

St John's, Cinderford, GL14 3EX

9.30 am services in the moderate catholic tradition with a Eucharistic and sacramental focus.



St Stephen's, Cinderford, GL14 2AA



Different worship styles at 11 am and 3 pm. 11 am services reflect a more relaxed style with a worship band & children's and youth activities; 3 pm services are traditional (BCP). Messy Church every 2nd Sunday at 3 pm is a fun, creative service for the whole

family. Various midweek services.

Services are also held at Hanover Court at 3.00 pm every 2nd and 4th Sunday.

From the Registers

Funerals

25 January	Maragaret Barnard	FoD Crem
31 January	Marion Cooper	FoD Chapel
31 January	Carolle Rossiter	St Eth's
5 February	Alan Matthews	FoD Chapel
6 February	Dennis Haysome	St Stephen's
8 February	Allan Davies	St John's
15 February	Barbara Pattinson	St John's
12 March	Phyllis Beddis	FoD Chapel
15 March	Leonard Preest	FoD Chapel
4 April	Glyn Roberts	St Stephen's
9 April	Derek Bowkett	FoD Crem
17 May	Adrian Morgan	FoD Crem
21 May	Jean Bendall	St Stephen's

Weddings

2 February	Donald & Debbie Adjorlolo	St Stephen's
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Baptisms

17 February	Michael Tarry	St Stephen's
7 April	Oliver Scott	St Stephen's

Seen walking around the Benefice, but where?

Answers on page 11.



I'm a church around the Diocese, but where?

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Cinderford Churches Mothers' Union Report

February saw our Annual Meeting when we decided that during the winter months, meetings would not necessarily be monthly. At our April meeting, after a short service and business meeting, Nikola welcomed Di Martin & Rachel Witham and the three offered an illustrated talk about the Holy Land Pilgrimage in January. They explained the impact various sites familiar from Bible readings had made on everyone and the enjoyment all had had through visiting in fellowship with others from the Benefice.

On May 7, after our usual opening, Nikola talked about taking Open the Book into St White's school. She explained how much the children enjoyed playing a part in the acting, dressing up and hearing the reading of specially adapted Bible stories. 2019 is the 20th anniversary of the start of the movement with over 6,000 people taking Open the Book into some 3,000 primary schools around the UK. Welcome refreshments were then enjoyed.

The Deanery Quiet Afternoon will be at 2.30 pm on Tue 4 June at Sheila's home in St Annal's Rd. - Nikola Poole

Fayres Galore

Two weekends in a row will bring exciting opportunities for browsing, purchasing, cake-eating, tea-drinking and supporting your local churches. St Ethelbert's Summer Fayre kicks off the fun on Saturday 29 June from 11am to 1.30pm. The church will once again be packed with exciting stalls from Fairtrade, delicious homemade cakes, chutneys, jams, local crafts, bottle stalls, plants, bric-a-brac, gifts and Paint-Your-Own for anyone who wants to let their creative side out. There will also be delicious lunches to enjoy on the day. Entry is free and parking is available at the school (opposite the church), do take care crossing the road.

The following weekend sees the Summer Craft Fayre at St Stephen's with an amazing array of local crafters, photographers, artists having their creations on display, alongside a barbecue (including the traditional bacon sandwiches), delicious homemade cakes, Fairtrade teas/coffees, raffle and craft activities. Saturday 6 July, 10 am - 2 pm, free entry and a very warm welcome to all.

More information on all events on our website or Facebook pages.

Thinking caps on...

... and get ready for the next Quiz Night at St Stephen's. Friday 21 June, 7.15 pm for 7.30 pm. There will be refreshments available including a licensed bar and questions once again set by our wonderful quiz master, Linda. Come with a team or join one on the night.



A colorful poster for St Stephen's Craft Fayre. At the top, a blue sky contains clouds with the following items: Cakes, Gifts, BBQ, Free Entry (with a sun icon), Over 20 craft stalls, Handmade, Crafts, Fairtrade, Plants, and Children's Activities. In the center is a yellow church with a blue cross on its roof, flanked by green trees and a red and white bunting banner. The text 'St Stephen's Craft Fayre' is written in a large, white, curved font above the church. Below the church, on a green grassy field, is the date and time: 'Saturday 6 July 10am - 2pm'. At the bottom, it says 'St Stephen's Church Belle Vue Road, Cinderford' and 'www.cinderford-churches.org.uk'. To the right of the text is the Cinderford Churches logo, which features a cross and five stylized trees.

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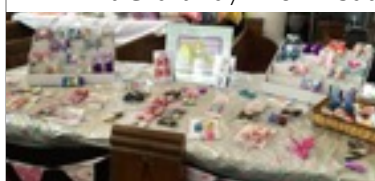
Saturday 18 May saw St Stephen's once again filled with



a wonderful selection of local creations to browse and purchase that special gift or something to brighten your own home or garden. There was all manner of things to buy from photographs to soaps, from highbrows to craft kits, from earrings to original artwork, from glass to knitted cardigans and everything in between. Both new and returning stallholders were warmly welcomed alongside all those coming to explore what was on offer (and enjoy bacon sandwiches and homemade cakes!).

Big thanks to all who came along to support!

The next Craft Fayre is on Saturday 6 July at St Stephen's Church from 10 am - 2



pm. There will be more bacon sandwiches, a BBQ (veggie and vegan options always available), homemade cakes alongside a breathtaking selection of products from local artisans and fairly traded handicrafts from around the world.

Experience Easter

Four St John's members offered Experience Easter in April to some ninety pupils from St



White's School, with Mike in attendance.

Thirty children

at a time were invited to come and see the three Stations set up in the church, depicting The Last Supper, The Crucifixion, and The Resurrection.



Bible stories were related at each Station to explain the Easter Story. The children were very interested and had lots of questions making it a most worthwhile morning which will almost certainly be repeated in future years.

- Nikola Poole



Please pray for:

- Bishop Rachel and Robert, Bishop of Tewkesbury
- Mike; during his sabbatical period
- Anthea; in her ministry as priest
- Chris, Linda, Lynne and Richard; our licensed readers
- Richard; as he prepares for ordination
- those who have recently been bereaved
- anyone who is unwell
- others around the Benefice who need prayer
- Jim and Adalia Fisher, in the Philippines
- Felipe and Sarah Yanez (CMS partners in Spain) and their sons Sam + Aaron
- children, young people, their teachers and leaders
- all caught up in natural disasters around the world
- the worldwide Church, especially those worshipping in places of conflict
- all those around the world facing persecution, homelessness or hunger
- all those working for justice and peace in the world

Lectionary

2 June (7th Sunday of Easter)

Acts 16:16-34 Psalm 97
Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-end
John 17:20-end

9 June (Pentecost)

Acts 2:1-21 Psalm 104:24-34, 35b
Romans 8:14-17 John 14:8-17

16 June (Trinity Sunday)

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31 Psalm 8
Romans 5:1-5 John 16:12-15

23 June (1st Sunday after Trinity)

Isaiah 65:1-9 Psalm 22:19-28
Galatians 3:23-end Luke 8:26-39

30 June (2nd Sunday after Trinity)

1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-end Psalm 16
Galatians 5:1, 13-25 Luke 9:51-end

7 July (3rd Sunday after Trinity)

Isaiah 66:10-14 Psalm 66:1-8
Galatians 6:7-16 Luke 10:1-11, 16-20



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"Thy Kingdom Come" Day of Prayer at St Stephen's	Saturday 1 June, 7.00 am - 7.00 pm
<i>(Church will be open for personal prayer or prayer stations suitable for all ages)</i>	
Mothers' Union Quiet Afternoon at Sheila Llew's House (St Annal's Rd)	Tue 4 June, 2.30 pm
BoB Breakfast at St Stephen's	Saturday 8 June, 9.00 am - 10.00 am
Messy Church at St Stephen's	Sunday 9 June, 3.00 pm - 5.00 pm
Cupcake Morning for Alzheimer's Society at St Stephen's	Friday 14 June, 10.00 am - 11.30 am
Fairtrade Pop-Up Shop at St Stephen's	Monday 17 June, 11.00 am - 4.00 pm
	Tuesday 18 June, 11.00 am - 5.00 pm
	Wed 19 June, 11.00 am - 4.00 pm
	Thursday 20 June, 11.00 am - 4.00 pm
	Friday 21 June, 10.00 am - 4.00 pm
	Saturday 22 June, 10.00 am - 2.00 pm
	Friday 21 June, 7.15 pm for 7.30 pm
	Sunday 23 June, 12.30 pm
	Wed 26 June, 6.00 pm - 9.00 pm
	Saturday 29 June, 11.00 am - 1.30 pm
	Saturday 6 July, 10.00 am - 2.00 pm

Quiz Night at St Stephen's

Fellowship Lunch at St Stephen's

Clothes 'Swishing' (Swap) Evening at St Stephen's

St Ethelbert's Summer Fayre

Craft Fayre at St Stephen's

Regular and Weekly Activities

Monday: 7.00 pm - 8.45 pm Bellringing, St Ethelbert's Church

- Group to practice ringing for Sunday services. (Bells rung on a Sunday from 9.45 am - 10.30 am)

Tuesday: 1.00 pm - 5.00 pm Craft & A Cuppa, St Stephen's Church **(term time only; not on 1st Tues of month)**

- Craft group where members bring along their own craft and share fellowship

Wednesday: 7.00 pm - 8.00 pm Prayer Meeting, The Vicarage **(normally every other week: see Sian for dates)**

- Opportunity to pray about individuals, our churches, towns and the world

Friday: 10.00 am - 11.15 am Coffee Morning, St Stephen's Church

- Chance to meet for fellowship and enjoy some Fairtrade tea and coffee

7.00 pm - 9.00 pm IF (boys, Year 7+), St Stephen's Church **(not on 21 June)**

- Youth group for boys in secondary school with food, games and activities

Clothes 'Swishing' Evening

Fancy a change of clothes, but don't want to contribute to the 'fast fashion' circle of discarding clothes? Come along to the next 'swishing' or clothes swap evening at St Stephen's.

Simply bring along any clean, dry clothes (or accessories) that you don't want anymore (but in a condition that you'd be happy for someone else to take home) and exchange them for tickets. Then when the swish opens, you can browse the rails and tables for 'new to you' clothes to swap your

tickets for. Extra tickets can be purchased on the evening. See our event page on Facebook or the website for more details.



Swishing Evening

Swishing = Clothes Swap

Wednesday 26 June

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Messy Church



Messy Church in May celebrated the 20th Anniversary of Open the Book. We looked at the story

from the Bible of King Josiah rebuilding the temple and rediscovering God's special book.

We enjoyed a variety of crafts, including temple blocks, handprints, salt painting and a creation mural, everyone also helped create a banner which will hang in church - once it has all been stitched together. All that alongside



songs, food and lots of fun.

Messy Church continues on the second Sunday of each month, with the next one being on Sunday 9 June from 3 - 5 pm at St Stephen's Church.

All welcome to come

along and join in with crafts, activities, songs and a shared meal. Children / young people must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

Anthea's Induction as Associate Priest

Anthea has now completed all her training and is officially an Associate Priest of the Benefice of Cinderford with



Littledean. Just before the Vicar left for his sabbatical, there was a Benefice celebration service followed by a special lunch and wonderful cake lovingly made by Maggie for the occasion.

We all look forward to many more years of Revd Anthea's ministry in our community.



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Fairtrade Pop-Up Shop

St Stephen's Church

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Monday 17 June, 11 am - 4 pm
Tuesday 18 June, 11 am - 5 pm
Wednesday 19 June, 11 am - 4 pm
Thursday 20 June, 11 am - 4 pm
Friday 21 June, 10 am - 4 pm
Saturday 22 June, 10 am - 2 pm



Benefice Day of Prayer

'Thy Kingdom Come' is a call from the Archbishops of Canterbury and York who invite Christians around the world to pray for more people to come to know Jesus during the 11 days between Ascension and Pentecost. What started in 2016 as an invitation from the Archbishops to the Church of England, has grown into an international and ecumenical call to prayer. It is hoped that everyone who participates will deepen their friendship with Jesus, bring others to know Jesus or know him better, and understand every aspect of their life can be affected by prayer.

This year we will be responding to that call when we hold the Benefice day of prayer on Saturday 1 June at St Stephen's Church. As before the church will be open for prayer anytime from 7 am until 7 pm. There will also be chance to pray at home if you are unable to get to the church. Please come along if you are able to, or sign up to pray for part of the day.

Open the Book 20th Anniversary Celebrations

Members of the teams from St White's, Littledean C of E and Forest View Open the Book teams attended a special service at Gloucester Cathedral to celebrate the 20th Anniversary of the project. Special pages that the children had drawn were presented to the Bishop of Gloucester



during the service to be added to a memory book. In true Open the Book fashion we all participated in a story led by Bob Hartmann, who has written the text for the Storyteller Bible that is used in the schools.

After the service, tea and cake was enjoyed and a quick look around the beautiful Cathedral before catching the bus home.



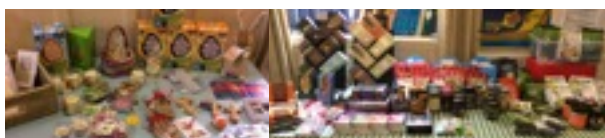
Christian Aid Week & Maundy Thursday Lunch



Sincere thanks to everyone who helped or supported the Maundy Thursday Soup Lunch. Special thanks to Rachel for the Fairtrade Stall. More people attended this year but strangely

less than last year. However, we raised £128 so well done to everyone.

As I write this Christian Aid week has just



begun and we are blessed with good weather. Over the last 16 years, I can only remember cold, wet weather but of course there must have been some good weather!

House Collections will take place in Littledean, Hanover Court and our school will do their bit and the usual collection at the County Store will take place at the end of the week. Local churches have had their usual Christian Aid Services.



Hopefully all the money will be banked by our next magazine and I will be able to report back. Sincere thanks for everyone's support.
- Ann Ladd



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St Ethelbert's Summer Fayre

Saturday 29th June
11 am - 1.30 pm

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St Ethelbert's Church
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Putting a Bit Back into the Community

We retired last year and bought a cottage in Cinderford.

We have started a blog at <https://vandaandeddie.uk/>

We wanted to put something back into the community here and have created a free directory for any Forest of Dean business or organisation and an event calendar.

There are no charges at all, so why not take a look?

Vanda & Eddie



Littledean Church of England Primary School

The Good Shepherd Project

Through the Good Shepherd Project, organised by the Diocese of Gloucester, we have been visited by Justin Beebaar, one of nine life-sized sheep who are visiting all of the 118 church schools in Gloucestershire. We decorated the sheep with



our school logo and gave him the opportunity to join in with some of our school activities. He has now moved on to Newnham School but our Year 6 children will see him again when they attend the Leavers' Service at the Cathedral next term.



Traidcraft's 40th Birthday

In 2019, Traidcraft are celebrating 40 years of fighting social, economic and trade injustices through selling a wide variety of fairly traded food and gifts sourced from countries across the globe.

Traidcraft introduced the first fairtrade tea, coffee and sugar into the UK whilst advocating the importance of organic farming, sustainability and transparency to the lives of growers and artisans around the world.

The international development charity arm of Traidcraft, Traidcraft Exchange, was founded in 1986 and have since campaigned tirelessly for changes to laws and international practices that enable better rights for workers both here in the UK and around the world.

In 1992, Traidcraft helped to co-found the Fairtrade Foundation and despite a very challenging period at the end of 2018, Traidcraft continue to trade and make a difference to lives of farmers and craftspeople globally.

To help join the celebrations, Rachel and Karen W have once again teamed up to fill the church with delicious Fairtrade food and gorgeous fairly traded handicrafts, toys, gifts, homewares and more from around the world at a Fairtrade Pop-Up Shop in the third week of June.

The refill station of Clean & Fair cleaning products (including washing up liquid, laundry liquid and handwash) will be easily accessible - so bring along your empty bottles and help reduce waste by refilling them.

There will be hot drinks available whilst you browse (Fairtrade of course!) and there will likely be some delicious Fairtrade treats to sample along with special offers on each day.

The Lady Chapel will be clear for anyone who wishes to use the opportunity of church being open to have some quiet time.



The Pop-Up shop will run from Monday 17 June to Saturday 22 June, with various times each day. Payment can be taken in cash or on a card.

Monday 17 June, 11.00 am - 4.00 pm

Tuesday 18 June, 11.00 am - 5.00 pm

Wed 19 June, 11.00 am - 4.00 pm

Thursday 20 June, 11.00 am - 4.00 pm

Friday 21 June, 10.00 am - 4.00 pm

Saturday 22 June, 10.00 am - 2.00 pm

For more details, see our website or Facebook event page.



If you would like more details about the work of Traidcraft, Fairtrade in general, Fairtrade around our Benefice or you would be interested in having a Fairtrade stall at your event - please contact Rachel - 01594 719438 / rachel@cinderford-churches.org.uk.



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Who's on the Trike?



Revd Canon Clare Edwards
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The Benefice of Drybrook,
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Dates for Your Diaries...

Craft Fayre - Sat 6 July, 10 am - 2 pm, St Stephen's

Heritage Open Days / Ride & Stride - Sat 14 Sep -

St Stephen's & St Eth's;

Sun 15 Sep - St Eth's

Craft Fayre - Sat 10 Nov,

10 am - 2 pm,

St Stephen's

Christmas Tree Festival

Fri 29 Nov - Sun 1 Dec,

St Stephen's

Home Communion

If you live in the Benefice and would like to receive Home Communion, please contact Linda Blagg (822153).

Littledean Open Gardens



8th and 9th June, 2019
11am. to 5pm.

A collection of gardens will be open in and around the village, varying in size and design, and ranging from small cottage gardens to those of large heritage houses.

Daily admission: £5.00,
Weekend pass: £7.50.



"Thy Kingdom Come" Prayer Day

Saturday 1 June

7.00 am - 7.00 pm

St Stephen's Church,
Belle Vue Road, Cinderford

Church will be open for personal prayer
or prayer stations suitable for all ages



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Easter Around the Benefice

Easter was celebrated around the Benefice, starting with a Benefice service to remember the first Palm Sunday and the

joy of Jesus entering Jerusalem, the solemnity of Holy Week and the events that took

place with services each day and finishing with glorious celebrations as

we gave thanks for the events of Easter Sunday and Jesus' Resurrection.

Many people contributed with food, flowers and music.

