

## Weekly benefice diary 7<sup>th</sup> August 2022



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Trinity 8

Reaching out together to share God's amazing faith, hope and love!

Date	Church	Time	Service/event
Sun 7 <sup>th</sup>	St A's	8am	Early Eucharist
	St Barts	8am	Early Eucharist
	St M's	10am	Lammas
	St A's	10.30am	Family Eucharist
	St Bart's	11am	Parish Eucharist
Mon 8 <sup>th</sup>	St A's	12.30pm	Baptisms
	St A's	8 -5pm	Holiday Club
	St A's	9am	Church Counters
Tue 9 <sup>th</sup>	St Bart's	7.30pm	Tong Tour
	St A's	8 -5pm	Holiday Club
Wed 10 <sup>th</sup>	St A's	10.30am	Open Door
	St Bart's	2.00pm	Tong Tour
	St A's	8 -5pm	Holiday Club
	St A's	noon	Wedding Blessing
Thur 11 <sup>th</sup>	St A's	2pm	Chair Yoga
	St A's	7pm	AA Meeting
	St A's	8 -5pm	Holiday Club
	St A's	10am	Eucharist
	St Bart's	11.30am	Tong Tour
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup>	St Marys	noon	Ashes Interment
	St A's	7.30pm	Bell Ringing
	St A's	8 -5pm	Holiday Club
Sat 13 <sup>th</sup>	St Bart's	2pm	Tong Tour
	St A's	6.45pm	Choir Practice
	St A's	9.30am	Eucharist
Sun 14 <sup>th</sup>	St A's	8am	Early Eucharist
	St M's	10am	Parish Eucharist
	St A's	10.30am	Family Eucharist and baptism
	St Bart's	11am	Parish Eucharist
	St A's	12.30pm	Baptism

**Holy Trinity Wrockwardine Wood** have been given the opportunity to host a youth orchestra from Nordkirche in Germany at short notice, on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> August at 6pm for 6.30pm. The event is free but they would welcome donations on the night. If anyone is anticipating going along, it would be great if they could let Kerry [admin@easttelfordbenefice.co.uk](mailto:admin@easttelfordbenefice.co.uk) or Debbie ([rev\\_debbie@hotmail.com](mailto:rev_debbie@hotmail.com)) know for refreshments.

**St Andrew's Young Church** - Sundays 10.30am  
Come and enjoy stories, crafts & games.

**St Andrew's hymns:** 186; 489; 380; B9

**St Mary's hymns:** 617; 62; 563; 183

**St Bart's hymns:** 54; 108; 252; 525

**Prayers for healing and wholeness:** John Farmer, Geoff Rock, Barry Charlson, Derek Shaw, Dulcie Davies, Geoff Jones, Raymond Lingard, Ruth Barwick, Doreen and Tom Price, Blanche and David Dakin, Ann Crook, Tim Day, Ian Hickman, Sue Potts, David Winch, Mary Pearson, Rev Mike Shaw, Paul Joseland, Shirley Gwilliam, Liz Hobbs, Lindsay Link, Diana Watson, Kate Hume, John Danby, Yvonne Bailey.

**Rest in Peace:** Alan Johnson, Joe Watson, Paul Bannister, Bernard Flavell, John Hillman, Kay Rowson.

**First Years Mind:** Joyce Bennett.

**Birthdays:** Bronte Real, Des Rogers and Sue Tanner.

**We pray for** Thomas Sterrow and Primrose Hill baptised in St Andrew's today.

### Notices

**Coffee After Church** - Stay for coffee after church!

**Food Bank** Thank you for your generous response, please keep helping through the Summer.

**Date for your Diary** - September 11th an afternoon of Harvest Praise in the Churchyard with the Salvation Army Band. - keep the date

**Alpha Course** - If you would like to find out more there is a summer barbecue where you can chat to those who did the course this time. Email Lisa on [alpha@shifnalbenefice.org.uk](mailto:alpha@shifnalbenefice.org.uk) for more details.

**St Bartholomew's Evensong** - 28<sup>th</sup> August at 4pm, with the Rev John Hall as preacher, followed by Tea. Please book a ticket for tea, for catering purposes.

**Tong Classic Car Show** on bank holiday Mon 29<sup>th</sup> August at St Bart's Church - 11am - 4pm - Come and enjoy a fun filled day of classic cars, cream teas, pizza, beer tent, plant stall, collectables, tombola, kids games, bouncy castle and Church tours. Entrance is free.

**Climate Change Petition** - Julie Bowyer has asked if we can support Tear Fund in their Climate Change petition, cards on the round table to be signed. Thank you!

### The Collect

Lord God,  
your Son left the riches of heaven  
and became poor for our sake:  
when we prosper save us from pride,  
when we are needy save us from despair,  
that we may trust in you alone;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

### First Reading            Genesis 15.1–6

A reading from the book of Genesis.

The word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, 'Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.' But Abram said, 'O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?' And Abram said, 'You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.' But the word of the LORD came to him, 'This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.' The Lord brought Abraham outside and said, 'Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.' Then he said to him, 'So shall your descendants be.' And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God**

### PSALM                        Psalm 33.12–21

12 Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord!  
happy the people he has chosen to be his own!

**13 The Lord looks down from heaven,  
and beholds all the people in the world.**

14 From where he sits enthroned he turns his  
gaze on all who dwell on the earth.

**15 He fashions all the hearts of them  
and understands all their works.**

16 There is no king that can be saved by a  
mighty army; the strong are not delivered by  
great strength.

**17 The horse is a vain hope for deliverance;  
for all its strength it cannot save.**

18 Behold, the eye of the Lord  
is upon those who fear him,  
on those who wait upon his love,

**19 To pluck their lives from death,  
and to feed them in time of famine.**

20 Our soul waits for the Lord;  
he is our help and our shield.

**21 Indeed, our heart rejoices in him,  
for in his holy name we put our trust.  
Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the  
Holy Spirit as it was in the beginning is now  
and shall be forever. Amen.**

### Gospel

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to **Luke 12.32–40**

**Glory to you O Lord**

Jesus said to his disciples, 'Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them.

If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you O Christ**

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

Strengthen for service, Lord,  
the hands that have taken holy things;  
may the ears which have heard your word  
be deaf to clamour and dispute;  
may the tongues which have sung your praise  
be free from deceit;  
may the eyes which have seen the tokens of  
your love shine with the light of hope;  
and may the bodies which have been fed with  
your body be refreshed with the fullness of  
your life; glory to you for ever.

**Amen.**