



## Mid-Wydean Churches

serving Coleford, Clearwell,  
Newland, Redbrook, Staunton  
and surrounding communities

**Sunday July 27th**  
6th Sunday after Trinity

### BIBLE READINGS

Genesis 18.20-32  
Psalm 138  
Colossians 2.6-19  
Luke 11.1-13



### PRAYER FOR THIS SUNDAY

Creator God,  
you made us all in your image;  
may we discern you in all that we see,  
and serve you in all that we do;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

### CONTINUED....

So it is fascinating that when the disciples ask Jesus how to pray, Jesus responds with a lesson on the very nature of God the Father, which giving them and us the very words to honour God, praise God, petition God and approach him on a very intimate level as Our Father.

The gospel this week invites us to reflect upon our own prayer lives, the many ways we find ourselves in prayer and that even when we struggle to find the words, the Holy Spirit helps us in our weakness with 'sighs too deep for words' (Romans 8.26-27) so we can confident that as we pray, we will be heard.

Amen.

### REFLECTIONS.....REV. BEA ERSKINE

How do you pray, were you taught a particular way? In this week's gospel in Luke 11, the disciples ask Jesus how they should pray.

My earliest memory of praying is kneeling by my bed, hands pressed together, pointing towards heaven. Praying for my family and favourite teddy bear, before climbing into bed and drifting off to sleep. Reflecting on this, it struck me what a natural thing this was to do and that I must have been under ten, as after that I was away at boarding school where prayers, other than assembly, somehow became more a more private occupation.

### SERVICES THIS SUNDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> JULY

**All Saints, Staunton 9.30am**

Communion

**All Saints, Newland 10.30am**

Communion

### SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> AUGUST

**The Good Shepherd, Broadwell 10.30am**

Parish Communion

**St.Saviours, Redbrook 4.00pm**

All age, family friendly service

### THANK YOU

for all the good wishes, cards and gifts for my 'big' birthday, and for Isaac too. And thanks to the editor of this newsletter for informing me it is all down hill from here :) Sarah

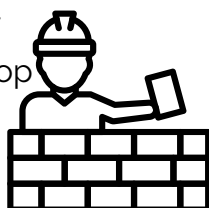
# PRAYERS AND NOTICES

## PRAY....

- for those who mourn, particularly Denise and all her family over the recent death of her son Neil; also for the family of the late Stuart McKenzie. **'Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.'** Matt 5: 4
- for those who are ill or in hospital, including John S, Jackie, Monica, Steve and others known to us. May they be comforted and healed.
- for anyone in mental health crisis and for those who find summer holiday time of struggle

## DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Stone Masonry Workshop  
26<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> September  
at Redbrook Church  
More details to follow



Over the summer holidays  
families with children often  
need more support.

In order to get a food parcel from The forest Foodbank folks will require an e-referral from one of the following agencies:  
CCP Gloucestershire Community based support-Cinderford,  
Coleford and Lydney, Housing Budgeting Phone 0300 365 2002  
FODCAB -North and West Gloucestershire Citizens Advice Low income Phone 0300 330 9006

Age UK 01452 422660

Help through hardship 0808 2082138

FOD Families Assessment Teams Social care 01452 426565

Salvation Army Low income, social care debt 01594 839106

**Alternatively, if you wish to help, you can donate food, money, or time. [See the website for details](#)**

## LOOKING FOR A FAMILY ADVENTURE?



## COME WITH US TO TREASURE ISLAND!

Treasure Island by Everyman Theatre Group, Cheltenham.

4pm Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> July in the open air at All Saints, Newland- bring your own chairs/rugs and picnic

**[Very last chance to get tickets- click here](#)**

## REGULAR EVENTS + MEETINGS

### MUSTARD SEEDS

Stay & Play for 0-5 years old.

Tuesdays in term time, 9.45-11.30am  
at Coleford Baptist Church.

**Next meeting on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September**



### TOGETHER FOR PRAYER

Tuesdays 12.00- 1.00 at The Vicarage.  
All Welcome

### CRAFT CLUB



Crafts in Good Company at The  
Good Shepherd, Broadwell,

**Thursdays, 2- 4 pm**

**(No meeting on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> August)**

### BROADWELL CHAT

Coffee and chat

**Every 1st Thursday of the month 10.00-12.00** at The Good Shepherd Church, Broadwell. Children & pets welcome.

**Next meeting Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> August**

### MUSIC + COMPLINE (NIGHT PRAYER)

A quiet time at the end of the week at St.Peters Church, Clearwell  
Fortnightly on Fridays 6.15-6.45pm, **next on Aug 1<sup>st</sup>**, then 15<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> and Sept 12<sup>th</sup>



### BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday for  
next week Roger !



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