



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

CLAINES & ST GEORGE'S



Sunday 6th July 2025

**10.30am - Holy Communion with Prayer
Stations - St George's Church**

10.30am - Morning Praise - Claines Church

**4.30pm - Contemplative Communion -
Claines Church**

**Zoom Sunday Morning
Prayer - with Rev Sarah
Carwardine**

9.15am - 9.50am

**Readings: Galatians 6: 1-6, 7-16 &
Luke 10: 1-11, 16-20**

Meeting ID: 840 7348 8247

Passcode: 392973

**Midweek Morning Praise - Thursday 10th July
10.30am - Claines Church**

Vision - Rev Sarah

As two churches together, we began looking at who we are and what our vision for the future might be earlier this year. We had a PCC away day together and explored the topic in some depth! Well, now we want your input too! St George's & Claines are your churches and it's so important that your voice is heard.

I've come from a background where the church I've been part of has always had a vision, and it's revisited every few years. But it's not something that all churches have always done, and many still don't. I believe it's really important that we have a vision as churches together, and I believe it's a biblical principle too. Proverbs 29:18 says "*Where there is no vision, the people perish*" and look at just how many times Jesus tells his followers what the kingdom is like, what his Father is like and what following him is like! Jesus is always giving vision for the future. When we have a vision, it helps to give us direction in where we spend money, what groups we run, how we engage with the local community and the projects we get involved in. Setting our vision has to be a prayerful task and needs to involve the whole church community, so I'm asking you where do you want to see our two churches focus their energy? Please be praying about this and bring your thoughts to one of our Vision Sundays.

We will have a Sunday at each church that is particularly focused around this, and they will be surrounded in prayer! There will be the 6 prayer stations that focus on key areas of church life; mission, children, youth and families engagement, community, working together, inclusivity and projects. You'll have time to engage with the stations and to pray for the work happening before filling in a short vision questionnaire.

St Georges Vision Sunday: 6th July, 10:30am.
Claines Vision Sunday: 20th July, 10:30am, Cafe Church at the Parish Hall.

Please make attending one of these services a priority, we want your voice to be heard - and keep praying for the churches and the PCCs as we seek to hear God's voice together.

Much love as always,

Rev Sarah

Photography Competition – Out & About in Claines Calendar 2026

We would like YOUR photographs to be part of our 2026 calendar celebrating the community of Claines.

Grab your phone or camera and start snapping!

We're looking for fun, quirky, beautiful and inspiring photos of Claines – whether this is buildings, our animals or wildlife, the gardens, the countryside or even our fabulous views.

We want to celebrate Claines at it's finest.

The 12 best entries will feature in our 2026 Claines Calendar, winners will receive one free copy of the calendar




ST GEORGE'S SUMMER FAIR

Grand Raffle | Cuppa & Cakes | Facepainting
Pimms & Cider | Pulled Pork | Tombolas
Worcester Ukulele Club | Homemade Crafts

SATURDAY, 12TH JULY 2025

12pm-4pm | Saint George's Church, Saint George's
Square, Barbourne, Worcester, WR1 1HX



We pray for those who are sick and those who care for them:

Children: Ivy-Rose

Saint George's Adults: Rev David & Alex New, Olive Barnes, Carolyn Corfield, Rosie Davies, Mavis Firkins, Les Gardner, Daphne Greenwood, Carol Humphries, Virginia Moran, Heather Nethercoat, Yvonne Parker, Neville Roberts, Kelly Simpson, Wendy Vaughan, Elisabeth Witter, Esther, Claudia & Marek.

Claines Adults: Canon Claire, Rev Alan Brooksbank, Rev Maureen Dew, Rev David New, Val Adams, Graham Ashcroft, Joscelyn Balchin, Tom Buck, Rose Danks, Rosie Davies, Dorothy Evans, Lou Ferris, Lorraine Humphries, Angela Lanyon, Jane Elizabeth Owen, Julie Oliver, Denise McKechnie, Ross Murray, Izzie Newport, Mary Skelton, Maisie, Kerry, Mark, Pip & Benny, Debbie, Mike & Judy, Pat and Claire & Bob.

For those who have recently died, may they rest in peace & rise in glory:

Maureen Pilgrim
Aaron Sanmuganathan

Our prayers and heartfelt sympathies go out to all of their loved ones.

Forthcoming Services

Claines Church:

Thu 10th - **10.30am** - Morning Prayer

Sun 13th - **10.30am** - Holy Communion with Thanksgiving for a Child

Sun 20th - **10.30am** - Cafe Church (*in Claines Parish Hall*)

Sun 20th - **4.30pm** - Devotions at Dusk or Celtic

Thu 24th - **10.30am** - BCP Service

Sun 27th - **10.30am** - Holy Communion

St George's Church:

Sun 13th - **10.30am** - Cafe Church (*in the Magdalene Room*)

Sun 13th - **4.30pm** - Celtic Communion

Sun 20th - **10.30am** - Holy Communion

Wed 23rd - **10.30am** - Midweek Holy Communion

Sun 27th - **10.30am** - Morning Praise

Christian Aid Week

I am delighted to tell you that between us - St George's and Claines churches - we raised £1292.85 during Christian Aid Week. You gave generously to church collections, at St George's you danced your socks off at our ceilidh (heartfelt thanks to Elisabeth Witter, our caller and to ceilidh band « With One Accord ») and you generously sponsored Nick and Sally Buck and myself as we undertook the 70K IN MAY challenge. Your gifts will help farming communities tackle the climate crisis and escape hunger, as well as supporting Christian Aid's work responding to emergencies and fighting poverty in communities around the world.
Thank you. Alison Clarke

**The Parish Office will be open next week on
Wednesday 9th, Thursday 10th and Friday 11th of July**

Booking a Wedding or Baptism

If you want to book a wedding or baptism at either Claines or Saint George's Churches, please attend a church service on any Sunday at 10.30am and ask for a Wedding or Baptism Pack.

Priest in charge of Claines & Saint George's Churches -

Rev Sarah Carwardine: revsarahcarwardine@gmail.com or call [07895599216](tel:07895599216)

General enquiries:

For **Claines** call Annette Summers 01905 453954 or Phil Kear 01905 451099

For **Saint George's** call Trish Greenwood 01905 28580 or Lyn Crowther 01905 452483

Hall Bookings:

Claines - Katrina email bookings@clainesfriends.org.uk

St George's - Barbara email stgbookingsec@gmail.com

For Weddings, Burials of ashes, Churchyard queries, & Funerals please contact the Parish Administrator Tammara Adams in the Office on 01905 759702. (Mon, Weds and Friday 9am - 1pm)



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