

THE WEEK AHEAD



Sunday 3rd August

Family Communion with Ark Time, 9.15am
Morning Worship, 11.15am

Wednesday 6th August

Places of Welcome - 10am - 12pm
Open Church, 10am - 12pm

Thursday 7th August

BCP Communion, St Leonard's Church,
Beoley, 10am
Wedding Bookings and Preparation at St
Leonard's Church, Beoley - 6-7.30pm

Saturday 9th August

Holy Matrimony, 11.30am

Sunday 10th August

Family Worship with Ark Time, 9.15am
Celebration of Holy Communion, 11.15am

Heritage Fun Day: Volunteers Needed!

Join us for Heritage Fun Day at St Laurence Church! We need volunteers for stalls, tours, refreshments, set-up, prize draw ticket sales, and tombola donations (new or nearly-new items). If you or someone you know would like a stall, or to help in any way, please use the sign up sheet located on the font or contact Charlotte or the church office.

Every bit of support makes a difference!

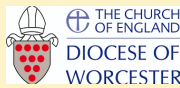
All profits made from this event will be used to support the ministry and mission and St Laurence Church.



ALM Worship Leader Application Deadline

ALM Worship Training begins this autumn. Anyone wishing to lead worship must complete it.

Applications are due by 5th August—please return them to Revd Gail.



ST LAURENCE CHURCH

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Here, everyone is welcome, valued, and loved by God and each other as we explore faith and prayer together

Bible Readings:

Colossians 3:1-11
page 1184 in Pew Bible
Luke 12:13-21
page 1045 in Pew Bible

The Collect Prayer

Lord of all power and might,
the author and giver of all good things: graft in
our hearts the love of your name, increase in us
true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of
your great mercy keep us in the same;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is
alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy
Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

Psalms 107: 1-9

- 1 O give thanks to the Lord, for he is gracious, for his steadfast love endures for ever.
- 2 Let the redeemed of the Lord say this, those he redeemed from the hand of the enemy,
- 3 And gathered out of the lands from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.
- 4 Some went astray in desert wastes and found no path to a city to dwell in.
- 5 Hungry and thirsty, their soul was fainting within them.
- 6 So they cried to the Lord in their trouble and he delivered them from their distress.
- 7 He set their feet on the right way till they came to a city to dwell in.
- 8 **Let them give thanks to the Lord for his goodness and the wonders he does for his children.**
- 9 **For he satisfies the longing soul and fills the hungry soul with good.**

A New Bishop for Worcester

Downing Street has announced that His Majesty the King has approved the appointment of Hugh Nelson as the 114th Bishop of Worcester.



Bishop Hugh is currently the Bishop of St Germans in the Diocese of Truro, a position he has held since 2020, serving as the Acting Bishop of Truro from Sept 2023 until May this year. He is also Bishop to the Armed Forces, providing spiritual and pastoral leadership to Anglican Chaplains serving in the Royal Navy, British Army and Royal Air Force, a role which he will continue to hold as Bishop of Worcester.

Ordained in 2008, Hugh served his curacy in six rural parishes in East Kent before serving for eight years as the parish priest of Goudhurst with Kilndown, two village churches in the Diocese of Canterbury. Before ordination, Hugh spent 13 years living and leading the community of L'Arche London, part of an international network of ecumenical Christian communities where people with and without learning disabilities share life together.

Bishop Hugh said:

"It is an enormous privilege to be appointed as the next Bishop of Worcester. I am so looking forward to joining you in Worcestershire and Dudley on your journey as Kingdom People; getting to know the different communities across the Diocese and finding out what God is up to in its villages, towns and cities."

"The Diocese of Worcester is full of so much that is good and holy, with plans to double the number of young disciples, to create 100 new worshipping communities, to renew churches right across the area and to underpin all this by resourcing clergy and lay leaders. And all of that building on the faithful, generous service of people in churches of every size, tradition and place from Dudley to Bredon, and from Malvern to Redditch."

For wedding, baptism, or funeral enquires, or to ask anything about the life, ministry and mission of St Leonard's and St Laurence Church please contact Penny.

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The parish office is open Tuesday - Thursday 9.30am - 1.30pm

To donate to St Laurence scan the QR code for the area of church life you would like to support and follow the instructions on the link.

Many thanks for your support



Organ Fund



General Fund



Churchyard Fund

Please pray for Bishop Hugh

Gracious and loving God,
through your Son Jesus Christ,
the Good Shepherd,
you have called us into the fellowship
of your universal Church:
we thank you for calling your servant Hugh
to be Bishop of Worcester;
sustain him by your love,
strengthen him in faith
encourage him in hope
and grant him the needful gifts of grace;
that through his ministry among us
we may live and grow as Kingdom People
sharing faith, hope and love in Jesus' name.
Amen