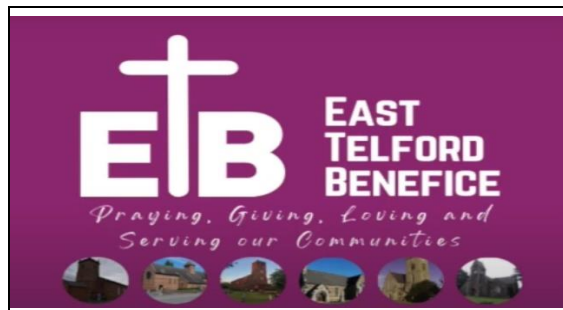




Sunday 28th September 2025

15th Sunday after Trinity

October 2025



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Come follow Christ in the footsteps of St Chad



"We believe in inclusive church – a church which celebrates and affirms every person and does not discriminate."

Services Sunday 28th September

Holy Trinity Oakengates

9.30am Holy Communion

St Peter's Priorslee at Holy Trinity Academy

4.00pm Holy Communion

St Georges Telford

9.30am Morning Worship

6.00pm Battle of Britain Commemoration Service

Holy Trinity Wrockwardine Wood

11.00am Morning Worship

12.30pm Baptism

St Matthew's Donnington Wood

11.00am Holy Communion

St Mary & St Leonard's Wombridge

11.00am Harvest Festival

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Collect – 15th Sunday after Trinity

God who is generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; 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.

Collect – Harvest

Creator God, you made the goodness of the land, the riches of the sea and the rhythm of the seasons; as we thank you for the harvest, may we cherish and respect this planet and its peoples, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Readings

Trinity 15

Psalm

91.1-6, 14-end

1st Reading

Jeremiah 32.1-3a, 6-15

2nd Reading

1 Timothy 6.6-19

Gospel

Luke 16.19-end



Services Sunday 05th October

Holy Trinity Oakengates

9.30am Harvest Festival

St Peter's Priorslee at Holy Trinity Academy

No service

St Georges Telford

9.30am Holy Communion

Holy Trinity Wrockwardine Wood

11.00am Holy Communion

St Matthew's Donnington Wood

11.00am Morning Worship

St Mary & St Leonard's Wombridge

4.00pm Holy Communion

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Services Sunday 12th October

Holy Trinity Oakengates

9.30am Holy Communion

St Peter's Priorslee at Holy Trinity Academy

4.00pm Holy Communion

St Georges Telford

9.30am Morning Worship

Holy Trinity Wrockwardine Wood

8.00am Holy Communion

11.00am Family Praise

St Matthew's Donnington Wood

11.00am Holy Communion

St Mary & St Leonard's Wombridge

11.00am Morning Worship

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Services Sunday 19th October

Holy Trinity Oakengates

9.30am Morning Worship

St Peter's Priorslee at Holy Trinity Academy

11.00am Morning Worship (New service)

St Georges Telford

9.30am Holy Communion

12.30pm Baptism

Holy Trinity Wrockwardine Wood

11.00am Holy Communion

St Matthew's Donnington Wood

11.00am Morning Worship

St Mary & St Leonard's Wombridge

11.00am Holy Communion

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Services Sunday 26th October

Holy Trinity Oakengates

9.30am Holy Communion

St Peter's Priorslee at Holy Trinity Academy

4.00pm Holy Communion

St Georges Telford

9.30am Morning Worship

12.30pm Baptism

Holy Trinity Wrockwardine Wood

11.00am Morning Worship

St Matthew's Donnington Wood

11.00am Holy Communion

St Mary & St Leonard's Wombridge

11.00am Morning Worship

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Sunday Readings		1 st Reading	2 nd Reading	Gospel
Harvest Services		Deuteronomy 26.1-11	Philippians 4.4-9	John 6.25-35
28th September	<i>Trinity 15</i>	Jeremiah 32.1-3a, 6-15	1 Timothy 6.6-19	Luke 16.19-end
05th October	<i>Trinity 16</i>	Lamentations 1.1-6	2 Timothy 1.1-14	Luke 17.5-10
12th October	<i>Trinity 17</i>	Jeremiah 29.1,4-7	2 Timothy 2.8-15	Luke 17.11-19
19th October	<i>Trinity 18</i>	Jeremiah 31.27-34	2 Timothy 3.14—4.5	Luke 18.1-8
26th October	<i>Last after Trinity Bible Sunday</i>	Joel 2.23-end Isaiah 45.22-end	2 Timothy 4.6-8, 16-18 Romans 15.1-6	Luke 18.9-14 Luke 4.16-24

Daily Readings

Morning

Evening

Monday	29/09	Acts 12.1-11	Revelation 5
<i>St Michael & All Angels</i>			
Tuesday	30/09	Mark 11.12-26	Acts 16.25-end
Wednesday	01/10	Mark 11.27-end	Acts 17.1-15
Thursday	02/10	Mark 12.1-12	Acts 17.16-end
Friday	03/10	Mark 12.13-17	Acts 18.1-21
Saturday	04/10	Mark 12.18-27	Acts 18.22—19.7
Monday	06/10	Mark 12.28-34	Acts 19.8-20
Tuesday	07/10	Mark 12.35-end	Acts 19.21-end
Wednesday	08/10	Mark 13.1-13	Acts 20.1-16
Thursday	09/10	Mark 13.14-23	Acts 20.17-end
Friday	10/10	Mark 13.24-31	Acts 21.1-16
Saturday	11/10	Mark 13.32-end	Acts 21.17-36
Monday	13/10	Mark 14.1-11	Acts 21.37—22.21
Tuesday	14/10	Mark 14.12-25	Acts 22.22—23.11
Wednesday	15/10	Mark 14.26-42	Acts 23.12-end
Thursday	16/10	Mark 14.43-52	Acts 24.1-23
Friday	17/10	Mark 14.53-65	Acts 24.24—25.12
Saturday	18/10	Luke 10.1-9	Colossians 4.7-end
<i>Luke the Evangelist</i>			
Monday	20/10	Mark 15.1-15	Acts 26.1-23
Tuesday	21/10	Mark 15.16-32	Acts 26.24-end
Wednesday	22/10	Mark 15.33-41	Acts 27.1-26
Thursday	23/10	Mark 15.42-end	Acts 27.27-end
Friday	24/10	Mark 16.1-8	Acts 28.1-16
Saturday	25/10	Mark 16.9-end	Acts 28.17-end
Monday	27/10	John 13.1-11	Philippians 1.1-11
Tuesday	28/10	Luke 6.12-16	Jude 1-4, 17-end
<i>Simon & Jude Apostles</i>			
Wednesday	29/10	John 13.21-30	Philippians 2.1-13
Thursday	30/10	John 13.31-end	Philippians 2.14-end
Friday	31/10	John 14.1-14	Philippians 3.1—4.1
Saturday	01/11	John 14.15-end	Philippians 4.2-end



Regular Dates for Diaries (For participation or prayer)

- Mon 8.00pm Compline via Zoom
- Tue 9.00-10.00am Prayer Group at Holy Trinity Wrockwardine Wood
7.00pm Whist at Holy Trinity Oakengates (1st Tuesday of each month)
- Wed 8.45-10.30am Tea & Toast (Place of Welcome) at Holy Trinity Wrockwardine Wood
9.00-11.00am Food Bank & Clothes Bank at Holy Trinity Wrockwardine Wood
9.15am Morning Prayer at Wombridge Church
10.30am Midweek Service at St Matthew's Donnington Wood
11.30am Bible Chat session at St Matthew's Donnington Wood
11.00am Midweek Service at Holy Trinity Wrockwardine Wood
12.00-2.00pm Place of Welcome at Holy Trinity Oakengates
7.00-8.00pm Prayer Group meeting at St Georges (4th Wednesday of each month)
- Thu 10.00-12.00pm Tea & Talk Bereavement group (2nd Thursday) at HTWW
1.00-3.00pm Pray Bake Read at Lantern Academy Ketley Bank (Only during School Term)
1.00-3.00pm Place of Welcome at Priorslee Scout HQ
- Fri 12.30-2.00pm First Friday Free Lunch at Wombridge Parish Centre (1st Friday)
8.00pm Compline via Zoom
- Sat 4.00-5.30pm Messy Church at HT Wrockwardine Wood (2nd Saturday of month)
11.00-1.00pm Welcome Saturday at St Matthews Donnington Wood (3rd Saturday of month)

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Additional Dates for Diaries

- Sun 28/09 7.00pm Bulembu African Gospel Choir Telford Elim Community Church Hadley
- Wed 01/10 11.15am Burial of Ashes of James Edgar Lloyd at St Peters Churchyard Priorslee
12.00pm Burial of Ashes of Frederick Mainwaring at St Peters Churchyard Priorslee
- Fri 03/10 10.00am Funeral of Muriel Gillam at Holy Trinity Church Wrockwardine Wood
12.30pm First Friday Lunch Wombridge Church Parish Centre
7.00pm Primary School Singalong All Saints Church Wellington
- Sat 04/10 7.00pm Harvest Supper Quiz Night at Holy Trinity Church Oakengates
- Mon 06/10 11.30am Funeral of Brian Haynes at Holy Trinity Church Wrockwardine Wood
- Sat 11/10 6.00pm Harvest Supper & Concert Wombridge Church
- Sun 12/10 9.00am Hymn-a-thon St Georges Church
- Fri 17/10 2.00pm Wedding at St Georges Church
- Tue 28/10 7.30pm Jesus the Evidence Dawley Baptist Church
- Thur 06/11 7.30pm Concert by Key Change Choir at Holy Trinity Oakengates

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Those in need of our prayers

Please pray for the families of Muriel Gillam, Brian Haynes and all who are grieving the loss of loved ones at this time.

Merciful God, be close to all who mourn.

May they know the hope of your promises and the comfort of your love, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

In our prayers we remember the Church, its members and our community. We pray for those who are unwell, either at home or in hospital and those who are adjusting to changes in their lives. We also remember those who can no longer join us physically in our church buildings for worship or fellowship.



Those whose years mind we keep

Priorslee

- 28/09 Arthur Palfrey, Mark Jones, Carol Burgess, Ruby Evans, Marlene Jones
05/10 Richard Bailey, Iris Avery, Evelyn Goode, Linda James, Denis Warrender
12/10 Donald Cattell, Daniel Robinson, Michael Joyce, Harold Hayward
19/10 Julia Leeke, Stanley Howells, Dorothy Davies, Doris Murray, Norman Ditchburn
26/10 George Hosking, Raymond Lowe, Norman Pagett, Neville Whitehead, Mary Houlston, Peggy Williams

Oakengates

- 28/09 Kathleen Lloyd, Vera Twinsberrow, Leslie Duce, Frances Jones, Harold Tipton, Dennis Smith, Ann Lewis-Cartwright, Ian Gregory
05/10 Christopher George, Letitia Pidgeon, Arthur Speed, Doris Elkes, Vera Jones, Robert Jones, Howard Harper, George Lineton, Elizabeth Mottershaw, Julie Williams, Neville Jones, Alan Lovage, George Harris
12/10 Gladys Dunks, Roy Caton, T John Edwards, Nora Gatford, Floarie Massey, Victor Bailey, Annie Williams, Arthur Speed, Clifford Ball, Charles Thornton, Victor Griffiths
19/10 Frederick Martin, John Harnett, Phillip Wright, Christopher Sanders, Jim Green, Edward Meredith, Victor Griffiths, Hilda Muir, Stuart Baker, Robert Cadman
26/10 Arch Lewis, Raymond Crutchley, Doris Smith, Edward Ingham, John Roberts, Mary Perkin, Edna Talbot, James Boardman, Thomas Bagnall, Jean Littlewood, Margaret Gibson

Wrockwardine Wood

- 28/09 Stanley Jones, Bob Hodson, Esther Stephan, Malcolm Williams, Elizabeth Caldwell, Ada Hindley, William (Bill) Allen, Vera Cooper, Hanna Jones, Paul Cartwright
05/10 Robert Jones, William (Bill) Wootton, Muriel Green, Thomas Evans, Lou Prescott, Margaret Brayne
12/10 Gilbert Eaton, Sally Marsh, Horace (Ginge) Rowley, Michael Pagett, Charles Guy, Edith Mitton
19/10 Alan Dakin, Graham Perry, Sarah Fernley
26/10 Shaun O. Cheshire, Terry Wilcox, Doreen Bailey, Albert Hudson, Pauline Corby, Edward Roderick, Geoffrey Taylor, Kathleen (Kath) Rowley, Jennifer (Jenny) Brothwood

IMPORTANT.....BE AWARE!!!

If you get any emails alleging to be from Clergy or those in positions within the church that ask for money or vouchers or sounding unlikely please **ignore!**

We would never ask for these things. Please check with us via other means and never click the links. There are a lot of phishing emails around currently that we cannot do anything to stop. **Please be careful!**

A sample of the type of spam email that is being sent is:

"Good to hear from you, here is what I want you to do for me because I'm a little busy right now, conflicting priorities, I'm only available here for now. I have been working on incentives and I aimed at surprising some of our diligent staff with gift cards this week. This should be confidential until they all have the gift cards as it's a surprise. Can you get this done remotely and how soon?"

Please be extra vigilant and don't respond to emails like these!

Ever received a suspicious email? 📧

📧 As of May 2025, over 42 million suspicious emails have been reported to the Suspicious Email Reporting Service, resulting in the removal of 400,000 scam websites by the NCSC.

🔍 Find out more about how to report suspicious emails, texts and websites: <https://orlo.uk/IzoEh>
#CyberProtect



PRAYING AT HOME

As we get older our involvement in local church life changes, and we find we have less time for physical activity but more time for prayer! We are a community of prayer – at home and in church. As a Benefice we are grateful to Nigel who hosts Compline (Evening Prayer) via Zoom (extremely easy to join on a mobile phone with internet access) at 8pm on Monday and Friday evenings. For more information please contact Nigel at Nigelcollins8561@gmail.com Come, pray with us!

EVERYDAY FAITH

A resource available that may be helpful is the Church of England app called 'Everyday Faith'. It offers bitesize, yet in-depth, resources on relevant topics, that help us to find and follow God in everyday life. There is a daily reading, reflection, response and prayer. There is the option to listen as well as to read. The current theme is 'Refreshed'. If you feel you need refreshment, this app can be download from <https://www.churchofengland.org/resources/everydayfaith>

BAPTISMS WEDDINGS & FUNERALS IN CHURCH

We are always excited to be able to celebrate Baptisms, welcome you for your Wedding or help you through a difficult time arranging a Funeral within our Churches. Funerals are welcomed in Church or at the Graveside and Holy Trinity Wrockwardine Wood are able to livestream funerals. Please telephone Kerry, Benefice Administrator to discuss arrangements.

NEW SUNDAY SERVICE

We are introducing a new Sunday Service at 11.00am on the 3rd Sunday of the Month at Holy Trinity Academy. This service will be a Morning Worship Service ideal for families. Come along as we pray, sing and worship in the Chapel.

A warm welcome awaits you.....

The next service will be Sunday 19th October 11.00am



ECUMENICAL GATHERINGS

There is an opportunity to meet at an Ecumenical Service on Monday 13th October at 1.00pm at Holy Trinity Church, Oakengates – theme 'Our Understanding of the Psalms'.

Advance notice...

the November gathering which will be a Quiet Morning on Friday 21st November between 9.00am -12.30pm at Wombridge Church – theme 'Our Relationship with God, Others & Ourselves'.

For more information about either of these Ecumenical events please contact Sue Rawlings.



What? Crafts Games Stories
Fun and Food

Where ? Holy Trinity Church
Wrockwardine Wood TF27AH

When ? Saturdays 4.00-5.30pm

Dates for your Diary
13th September
11th October
8th November
13th December

Come and join our Messy
Church Team as we craft
and learn about God
finishing up with some
singing and food

Messy Church needs your help!

In September we welcomed 22 Children and 20 Adults to our Messy Church which runs for the benefice on the 2nd Saturday of the Month. Fiona and Kerry are looking to draw up a rota of helpers who would be able to help man a craft table and talk about God/Jesus to those who attend.

We have some wonderful parent helpers who are just at the beginning of their Christian journey and hope to have some of our wonderful congregation members come along and support them and help us out

If you think you would like to be part of the team why not come along to the next one on the 11th October at 4pm and see what we do and maybe explore how you could fit in. Just speak to Kerry or Fiona to find out more.

Our aim is to build a team so we can continue to run this as a monthly service, rather than taking it to a quarterly event.

Wombridge Church

HARVEST CELEBRATION

Sunday 28th September
11.00am

This year we will be supporting Water Aid charity as the overseas project and the local Foodbank as our local project.

Monetary donations for Water Aid and gifts of produce, tinned foods and toiletries are most welcome.

Compline via Zoom

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For more information please contact Nigel at Nigelcollins8561@gmail.com

TOMBOLA STALLS

Each of the churches in the Benefice are always in need of small quality items suitable for use on Tombola Stalls.

If you can offer items for these stalls then please pass them to churchwardens who will forward them to the events coordinators for each of the churches.
Thank You.



Holy Trinity Church Wrockwardine Wood



Sunday 12th of October Harvest Festival 11am
Join us to celebrate
if you are able we would be grateful for a donation towards our Food Bank

Ecumenical Service

Holy Trinity Church, Oakengates
Monday 13th October
1.00pm

ST GEORGE'S PRAYER GROUP

The Prayer Group meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month between 7pm & 8pm at St George's Church.



The next meeting is on Wednesday 24th September and is open for all to attend. During the time together there may be a brief discussion about issues of the day and/or individual concerns and then there is a time of prayer. Sometimes a bible passage is read and following a brief discussion may be used as a focus for additional prayers.

Harvest Supper Quiz Night



Holy Trinity Church
Oakengates



Saturday 4th October 2025

7 Pm Start

Raffle on the Evening

Tickets
£7.50 pp

Please Bring your own Drinks

Tickets from Gill 07964 954912 or other church members

The Evening will proceed as following:

- * Background music on entry from 6:30 pm
- * Quiz to commence at 7 pm
- * Fish & Chips Supper at approx 7:45 pm
- * Quiz to resume at approx 8 pm
- * Raffle to be drawn at approx 8:30pm
- * Winner to be awarded after raffle approx 9 pm

Holy Trinity Oakengates, Holyhead Rd, Telford TF2 6BN

Wombridge Harvest Supper & concert by the Hadley & District Orpheus Male Voice Choir

Sat 11th October
Supper from 6pm in the
Parish Centre and concert
commencing in Church at 7pm

Supper of Jacket Potato with a
choice of fillings, followed by
coffee & cake

Tickets £8 (Children £4)
Contact Chris on 07930245773


Free Community Lunch


On the first Friday of each month

12.30pm to 2.00pm

Wombridge Parish Centre



Friday 3rd October
Friday 7th November
Friday 5th December





Thanks to sponsorship by
the co-op



All welcome to join us for a light lunch, dessert and hot drink – followed by a short game – pop in or stay for as long as you wish - everyone welcome 😊

**ST GEORGE'S
PARISH CHURCH**

Hymn-a-thon

**Sunday 12th
October**




9am to 12pm

In aid of Church Funds

Choose your hymns and make a donation in church or via the link on our Facebook Page

All are welcome anytime to join the singing

Donate here: <https://forms.gle/VM/hhCJCCU9VBiHw7>

**SAUSAGE
SATURDAY**

18TH OCTOBER 2025

11.00 A.M. – 1.00 P.M.

**ST MATTHEW'S
CHURCH
DONNINGTON
WOOD**

Sat Nav Ref TF2 7HP



**The Children's
Society**
Children's charity

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Children's
Society**

Do you enjoy a hotdog/sausage sandwich and a nice cup of tea or coffee?

Do your children enjoy crafting or art, pop and biscuits?

Would you like to support The Children's Society?

If your answer is YES, then join us for breakfast and help us raise funds for this invaluable charity.

Sausage buttie & 1st cuppa for only £2.00.

All subsequent drinks are free!

This month's craft activity 'Letting in the Light' - Craft a 'stained glass' window using a variety of free resources

Raffle, bric-a-brac and book sale in aid of Church funds

Memory Menders to share some of their recycled items

Pop in for a cup of tea, our welcome is warm, and our friendship is free!

Holy Trinity Oakengates
presents

Key Change Choir
in Concert

An evening of Song

6th November 2025 at 7-30pm

Tickets available soon








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Free digital skills programme in Telford & Wrekin to residents aged 18+

Join our friendly, six session courses designed to help you feel confident using your device. Step by step guidance, in a supportive group session to help you master the basics including:

- Staying in touch using email, texts, phone or video calls
- Use the internet to find local news, services, events and more
- Access your health information & order repeat prescriptions online
- Take, view and share photos or documents with confidence
- Stay safe online: helpful tips to stay safe from scams

Bring your smartphone, tablet or laptop. No device? Help may be available (conditions apply).

To book your place or find out more, www.telford.gov.uk/facetoface or call 01952 380000

Available at:
Holy Trinity Church Wrockwardine Wood

Where	When	Session Time
Newport Community Library	Mon 29 th Sept - Mon 3 rd Nov	10.00 - 11.30am
The Silver Threads Hall, Donnington	Mon 29 th Sept - Mon 3 rd Nov	1.30 - 3.00pm
Wrockwardine Village Hall	Tue 30 th Sept - Tue 4 th Nov	10.00 - 11.30am
Oakengates Rest Room	Tue 30 th Sept - Tue 4 th Nov	1.30 - 3.00pm
Holy Trinity Church, Wrockwardine Wood	Mon 10 th Nov - Mon 15 th Dec	10.00 - 11.30am
Malinslee Healthcare Centre	Mon 10 th Nov - Mon 15 th Dec	1.30 - 3.00pm
Horsehay Village Hall	Wed 12 th Nov - Wed 17 th Dec	10.00 - 11.30am
Tibberton Village Hall	Wed 12 th Nov - Wed 17 th Dec	1.30 - 3.00pm

CHURCH AUTUMN CLEAN

Can you help? The team at Wombridge Church have set the date of Saturday 25th October 10.00am-4.00pm to give the church a good autumn clean ready for the winter months. If you feel you are able to lend a hand there is a list in the church for you to put your name down or just pop in on the day. Even if you can only spare half an hour there will be something you can help with. We look forward to welcoming your help! Thank you in advance.

SAFEGUARDING

For all the churches in our benefice, the safeguarding, safety and security of each person is of the upmost importance. We have across all our churches committed to safeguarding and have adopted the national and diocesan safeguarding policies.

Please do not hesitate to contact one of the Coordinators, Churchwardens or the Benefice Admin office if you have any questions and concerns and understand that everyone has a role to play to ensure we achieve our aim of being a benefice who cares and protects all who visit.

WEBSITE UPDATE

The East Telford Benefice website has recently been experiencing problems and it hasn't been possible to update the information or publish the weekly newsletter link.

Most of the issues have now been ironed out and the website should now see updates over the coming weeks. Each of our churches do use www.achurchnearyou.com where you can access individual church information.

PLACES of WELCOME at HTO, HTWW & St PETERS



This outreach is something which has helped bring our community together and we are always pleased when new people attend. The format is simple – a short service, a shared breakfast/lunch (toast, soup and roll or sandwiches), chat/board games/puzzles/craft etc.

Please do let your friends and neighbours know about these Places of Welcome especially those who live alone or those who are looking for a place to meet new people. You will find a warm welcome at each of these Places of Welcome. We look forward to meeting you!

Please note St Peters meets at: Priorslee Scout HQ, Snedshill Way, TF2 9QQ

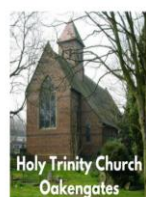
**Tea & Toast Warm space
Food bank & Clothes bank**

**Open each Wednesday
9.00 - 11.00**

We would love to make you welcome at our Warm space Tea & Toast each Wednesday. Come in have a cuppa, chat with our volunteers, get to know some new people, browse the clothing and request a food parcel just ask one of the volunteers.

Tea & Toast

we are grateful for the support of our local parish councillors who support our warm space



**Wednesday
12 - 2 pm**

St. Peter's Priorslee Community

Every Thursday

at Priorslee Scout HQ, Snedshill Way, TF2 9QQ

1.00pm - 3.00pm



OPEN GARDENS IN SHROPSHIRE

Do you enjoy gardens? Over the next few weeks there are some beautiful ones to visit.

SHROPSHIRE HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST www.shropshirehct.org.uk/

The Leasowes, Garden and Arboretum 19th October

– The Leasowes Farm, Cound, Shrewsbury, SY5 6AF 10-5pm.

Church: St Peter's. £6 entry



An Alzheimer's Society initiative

Living with dementia at any time brings challenges. The Alzheimer's Society are working towards a world where dementia no longer devastates lives. They do this by giving help to those living with dementia today, and providing hope for the future.

If you need support and advice, Alzheimer's Society is here for you.

You can call the support line on 0333 150 3456 and find lots more advice and support here:

<https://www.alzheimers.org.uk>

As part of the action plan for our Benefice Churches for Dementia Friendly Church it has been suggested we publish monthly in our newsletters information which offers help in what 'not' to say to someone living with Dementia. We will be using information from the Alzheimers association website.

Things to avoid saying to somebody with dementia

4. Try not to let your emotions take over: 'I've just told you that'

It can be difficult answering the same question several times, especially when you are trying to keep frustration or upset from your voice.

However, reminding the person that you have just answered their question will not help them retain the information for next time, it is likely to just remind them of their condition. This can be distressing for you both. Bear in mind, that for them, it is likely to feel like the first time they have asked the question.

Try this instead:

Try to remember that the person cannot help repeating themselves. It is important for them to feel heard and understood.

Answer repeated questions calmly and patiently, with an even tone of voice. If you feel the need, take a break, and remove yourself from the conversation for a while.

WHAT'S NEXT?

Its not too late to apply for your place at college!

Are you wondering what to do now?

Are you looking to further your education?

....then take a look at **Telford College!**

Attend the next open event Monday 6th October 5pm-730pm

<https://telfordcollege.ac.uk/events/open-event-october/>

Whether you are a school leaver or looking to upskill, let Telford College help you reach your potential and unlock a world of possibilities.

Apply now.....

Formed in 2017 from the merger of TCAT and New College Telford.

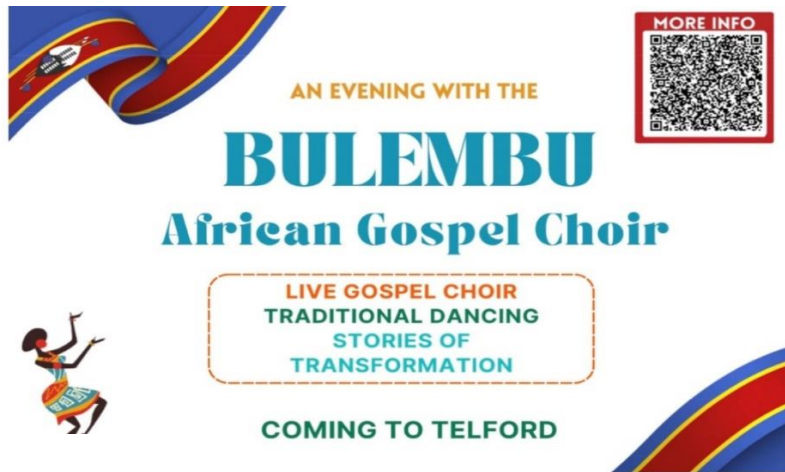
A lively and supportive campus purpose-built to offer one of the widest ranges of course choices anywhere in the region – from academic and vocational to apprenticeships, and much more!

Take a look at the website at www.telfordcollege.ac.uk for more information.

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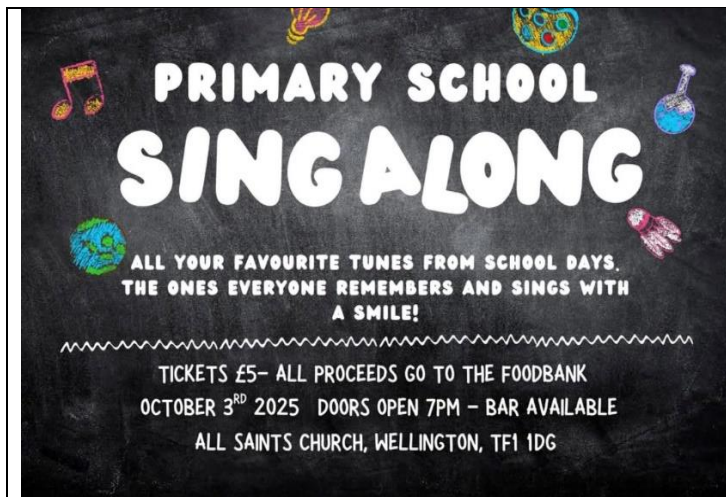
An unforgettable evening with live gospel music, traditional dancing and stories of transformation and hope.

Sunday 28th September 700pm - 900pm
Telford Elim Community Church, Hadley
Free entry – tickets required by scanning QR Code on advert.



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You are invited to an unforgettable free evening of live gospel music, traditional dancing and stories of transformation at Telford Elim Community Church on Sunday, 28th September 7-9pm.



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Come along to All Saints Church, Wellington
3rd October 2025

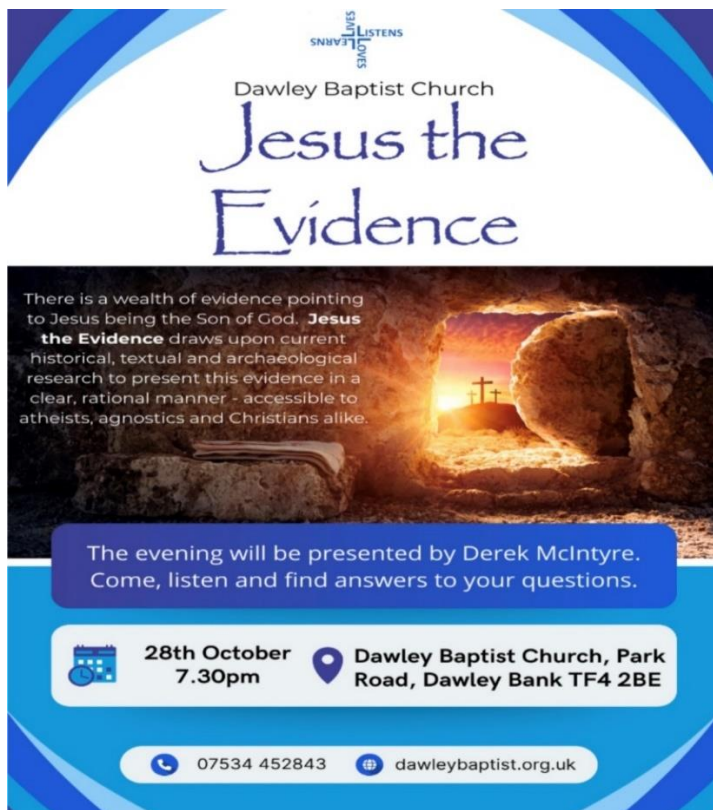
Doors open 7pm – Bar available Tickets £5

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Primary School Singalong – All your favourite tunes from schooldays, the ones everyone remembers and sings with a smile.

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JESUS THE EVIDENCE

A fantastic opportunity is coming to Dawley Baptist Church on Tuesday 28th October 2025: a powerful presentation of Jesus – The evidence. This clear, rational and engaging event is designed to reach everyone – whether they are Christians, not sure about faith, agnostics, or atheists.

It's a chance to explore the evidence for Jesus in an open and thoughtful way.

For more information: dawleybaptist.org.uk

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Lichfield Diocese Prayer Diary: Issue 284

We pray for the implementation of our diocesan strategy 'Seeking the Kingdom', within the context of the varied roles and ministries across the Diocese. As 'People of Hope,' we remember those impacted by natural disasters; those in Ukraine suffering grievously and we pray for the people & leaders of Russia; and for a lasting peace for the people of Palestine, Israel and the wider Middle East.

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Sunday 28th September:

Lord today, we pray for All Saints Church in Madeley as they celebrate 1050 years since a 975 royal charter granted land to be used in Madeley for a church and monastery. We thank you for all the work for your kingdom that has taken place there up to this point, and join with the launch of their 'Prayerfest' that the impact of their work may continue for at least another millennium and more. We especially pray for their Family Communion today with Archdeacon Megan, for a positive launch of their prayerful celebration.

Monday 29th: *(Michael and All Angels)*

Lord, today we lift before you those churches in the diocese dedicated to St Michael, and sometimes to other angels. For St Gabriel's Fulbrook; for (St Isidore and) St Raphael's Petton; and for Holy Angels Hoar Cross. So too we pray for all the St Michael's; Adbaston, Brereton, Chell, Chetwynd, Childs Ercall, Colwich, Cross Heath, Hamstall Ridware, High Ercall, Himley, Horton, Lichfield, Lilleshall, Llanyblodwel, Loppington, Pelsall, Penkridge, Rocester, Rushall, Stone, Stramshall, Tatenhill, Tettenhall Regis, Tividale, Waters Upton, Welshampton, and West Felton. We pray for your hand of blessing to rest on all of these churches and each of the communities they serve. We also pray for today's [Churchwarden Cafe](#) in Tatenhill, exploring the possibilities in pilgrimage around so many of our beautiful churches, and the opportunities they could bring in people wanting to explore them. May their journeys around our churches prompt an even more fulfilling journey with you.

Tuesday 30th: *(Jerome, Translator of the Scriptures, Teacher of the Faith, 420)*

Today we pray for many different gatherings taking place around the diocese, for wisdom and vision for the Bishop's Staff Meeting; for the Education Team's training day for those new to church schools on [Balancing RE and Collective Worship](#); for the online training session on [Connecting Communities through Places of Welcome](#); and the gathering of [Shropshire Greenhouse](#). Lord, please bless all the people leading these gatherings, that each of those attending may learn more of you and be open to new ideas.

Wednesday 1st October:

(Remigius, Bishop of Rheims, Apostle of the Franks, 533. Anthony Ashley Cooper, Earl of Shaftesbury, Social Reformer, 1885)

We thank you for the unceasing opportunities to meet with you as today we start the [Diocesan Day of Prayer](#). Thank you for all the people who have prepared sessions, or will join in with them. Most of all Lord, we thank you that whenever we pray, we know you always listen. We also pray for [Bishop's Council](#) as it meets tonight, and for [Bishop Sarah as she starts a period of Sabbatical](#), that she may return refreshed and renewed.

Thursday 2nd:

Lord, we thank you again for the opportunity of the [Diocesan Day of Prayer](#) as it concludes at noon today. Thank you for this diocese, in all its places and forms, all the areas of work that it supports, whether they have been directly represented over the 24 hours or not. We thank you just the same for all those people working for your Kingdom here who work diligently in the background and You may be the only person who really knows what they do. Lord, please continue to meet the feeble efforts of our service with your abundant blessings.

Friday 3rd: *(George Bell, Bishop of Chichester, Ecumenist, Peacemaker, 1958)*

We bring before you today's [Introduction to Mental Health and Well-Being](#) happening in Wolverhampton. Please help all of those supporting people struggling with their mental health; and please help each of us recognise when we might be struggling and help us to seek appropriate support.

Saturday 4th: *(Francis of Assisi, Friar, Deacon, Founder of the Friars Minor, 1226)*

Lord, today we lift before you those churches in the diocese dedicated to St Francis; in Friar Park (between Wednesbury and West Bromwich), Leyfields (Tamworth), and Meir Heath (Stoke on Trent). We pray for your hand of blessing to rest on all of these churches and each of the communities they serve.

This Saturday we also pray for various events taking place around the diocese this morning; for the [Shropshire Greenhouse](#) gathering taking place this morning at St Alkmund's Whitchurch; for the Biblical Studies study session on [Discipleship in the Old Testament](#) at St James' Brownhills; and the [Dementia-Friendly Church Training at St Matthew's Walsall](#). Please be with all those journeying to meet you in different places and ways.

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