

Abberton, Flyford Flavell, Grafton Flyford, Naunton Beauchamp, North Piddle



The Flyfords Flyer
The Flyfords Family of Churches News

Sunday 14th September 2025 **The Thirteenth Sunday After Trinity**

Exodus 32.7-14, 1 Timothy 1.12-17, Luke 15.1-10

Dear Friends,

In our churches, we all carry stories — of wandering, returning, being found again. And as small as we might feel, we are part of a great story of God's mercy and joy. Let us be a people who never stop looking for the lost, never stop rejoicing when grace takes root, and never stop believing that God hasn't given up — on anyone.

You remain in my prayers and I hope you continue to keep safe and well.

Please continue to check on A Church Near You website for updates and news in the Flyfords - <https://www.achurchnearyou.com>

*If you would like a call from me during the week, please let Caroline know on;
07514 901344 or email flyfordfamilies@gmail.com or you can call me direct.*

*Blessings,
Emma*

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Services

14 th September	9.30am	Drakes Broughton	Holy Communion
21 st September	9.30am	Grafton Flyford	Holy Communion
21 st September	9.30am	Drakes Broughton	All Age Worship
21 st September	11.30am	Naunton Beauchamp	Harvest
21 st September	6pm	Pirton	Evening Prayer
28 th September	9.30am	Drakes Broughton	Holy Communion
28 th September	6pm	Grafton Flyford	Harvest Evensong
5 th October	9.30am	Stoulton	Joint Churches HC
5 th October	10.30am	Drakes Broughton	Café Church
5 th October	6pm	Pirton	Holy Communion
12 th October	9.30am	Naunton Beauchamp	Morning Worship
12 th October	9.30am	Drakes Broughton	Holy Communion
19 th October	9.30am	Drakes Broughton	All Age Worship
19 th October	10am	Flyford Flavell	Harvest
19 th October	6pm	Pirton	Evening Prayer

Services at Pershore Abbey can be seen on their pages at:

A Church Near You at - <https://www.achurchnearyou.com>

Morning Prayer continues to be streamed each Wednesday at 10am from the Rectory.

Past and present videos can be seen by following *the link below:*

<https://www.facebook.com/1417165101886766/live/>

There is no need to log-in, just click on the word video in Facebook's menu.

A weekly Reflection is available by contacting Caroline on 07514901344 or by email at flyfordfamilies@gmail.com



THE FLYFORDS COFFEE MORNING

Is on the Second Thursday of each month for all members of the community.

NEXT ONE ON THE 11th SEPTEMBER!

We look forward to seeing you **Anytime between 10am – 12.30pm**
at the FLYFORDS HALL, GRAFTON FLYFORD.

An opportunity for a chat, a cuppa and cake with friends, in a safe environment. Plenty of room for parking and easy access to the hall.
Simply come along on the day.

Bring a friend - we look forward to seeing you!

The Flyfords Hall team



NAUNTON BEAUCHAMP

Coffee and Chat

Saturday 4 October 10.30-12.00 in the church

Come and join us for a drink and cake and catch up with friends and neighbours. The book swap is looking for replacements so please bring any summer reading that you have finished with and pick up a new book.

Also at Naunton Beauchamp...

Ride And Stride

Saturday 13th September

St Bartholomew's and many other churches in the area will be open with refreshments. There is an opportunity to be sponsored for the churches that you visit and half the money will go to Naunton Beauchamp and half to Worcestershire historic churches trust who have supported us with grant funding previously. For further details speak to Gill Jubb or visit <https://ridestrideworcs.org/>

Harvest Festival and Lunch

Sunday 21st September in the church

A traditional family friendly service to celebrate the harvest at 11.30

Followed by Lunch in the church at approx. 12.30pm

Please let us know if you will be coming for lunch. Cost £12.50 per person including a glass of wine/ soft drink. Please advise us of any dietary requirements.

Churchyard Maintenance

Thank you to Dave Dickens for co-ordinating the rota and to all those volunteers who have made such a good job of keeping the churchyard looking so well kept. Unfortunately the dry weather has taken its toll on some of the graves and Dave is looking to arrange a working party to replace the membranes and lay some gravel on those which have been damaged. This will be towards the end of October. He will be contacting those on the rota but would welcome any additional help. Please reply to this email.

Village Walk

Only 3 people were interested in the walk so we have not planned for September. May try again in November if there is interest

NAUNTON
BEAUCHAMP
HARVEST FESTIVAL



SUNDAY 21 SEPTEMBER
11.30AM

FOLLOWED BY HARVEST LUNCH at
12.30
IN THE CHURCH

Numbers in advance to Gill Jubb 462156 or
ddh.gmjubb@gmail.com

THIS SATURDAY! – THERE'S STILL TIME
TO SIGN UP AND TAKE PART BY
FOLLOWING THE LINK BELOW...



Saturday 13th September

**For more details and a list of churches
that will be open on that day, please
visit:**

<https://ridestrideworcs.org/>

WHAT'S ON IN DRAKES BROUGHTON...

BARNIE BEARS BABIES AND TODDLERS GROUP In DB church every 2nd and 4th Monday of the month 10am -12midday.

HOMEMADE SOUP AND SOCIAL In DB church 1st Tuesday of the month from 12 noon.

ART GROUP In DB church on Wednesday morning 10.30-12.00:
As always it will be a lovely mix of people knitting, sewing, maybe sketching or painting...or just chatting and drinking coffee.

BE SURE TO VISIT THE DIOCESE OF WORCESTER WEBSITE FOR VARIED INFORMATION AND NEWS ARTICLES, PLUS A WEEKLY SERMON PODCAST

There are also a variety of Training Opportunities available to all. The list is updated frequently.

CLICK ON THE LINK BELOW THE LOGO



Diocese of Worcester | News (cofe-worcester.org.uk)

Our wonderful diocese



The Archdeacon of Dudley, Nikki Groarke, has written this article for September editions of parish magazines.

Back in June I had the immense privilege of being part of the Crown Nominations Commission (CNC) responsible for discerning who our next Bishop of Worcester should be. I am delighted by the outcome, and am looking forward immensely to serving alongside Bishop Hugh when he

comes to join us in the new year.

A question posed during that process caused me to reflect on what I have learned about the Diocese of Worcester during the episcopal vacancy. Let me share a few of my observations. In the Statement of Needs, describing the diocese for potential future bishops, we named our key characteristic as being relational. Relating well to one another across different traditions and contexts is part of Bishop John's legacy. What has really encouraged me, is that a year on, it is still a core part of who we are. Even during this season of change, with the natural uncertainty that comes during a vacancy, we have continued to relate well, bound together by our common commitment to be kingdom people.

Our transformation journey is exciting, and is bearing fruit as churches become healthier and more sustainable, we see more children and young people being reached, and new disciples formed and nurtured. Each of the candidates we interviewed was inspired by our vision and impressed by progress so far, and I don't think that's just because they were hoping to make a good impression! The clarity of our long-term plan, our clear priorities and the way we were able to engage people across the diocese in conversation have been praised by the national Vision and Strategy Team who often point others to us for advice on how to do it well. It was clearly a key factor in drawing potential candidates to explore whether they might be called to serve here.

We navigate difference well. The CNC process has been complex and divisive in some dioceses, and in a couple of cases members were unable to coalesce around a nomination. We worked really hard with the wider Vacancy in See Committee, and then as a group of six reps together with the national CNC members, to build consensus by committing to open and transparent dialogue, careful listening to build shared understanding, and prayerful discernment. We related carefully across our differences because we each trusted in a shared goal of finding the absolute best person under God to be our next bishop. I felt proud of how we had conducted ourselves, and came away with renewed hope for the future and an even stronger conviction that Worcester is the best diocese in the world to be part of!

I hope you will join me in your parish in praying for Bishop Hugh over the coming months as he prepares to come and join us on our transformation journey, and begins to build relationship with the varied and wonderful people across this fabulous diocese.

Nikki Groarke, Archdeacon of Dudley

DAILY HOPE phoneline of hymns, reflections and prayers

0345 6462206

**The phoneline has previously operated on a free service, but now has a new number which
will be charged at the same rate as a standard UK telephone number**

Prayer Diary

The Prayer Diary is produced three times a year and made available to parishes as a booklet. The daily prayers are also posted each day on the Worcester Diocese homepage and their social media channels.

Click on the link below to read and download your copy.

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A number of hard copies will be available in church.



If you would like The Flyfords Flyer and/or the weekly Reflection to come directly to your Inbox then please contact Caroline on 07514901344 or by email at flyfordfamilies@gmail.com
We will be happy to add you to our mailing list.

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