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Church E-News

from the Parish of Fladbury, Hill & Moor, Wyre Piddle, Cropthorne & Charlton
and the Parish of Bishampton & Throckmorton

Sunday 2nd August

11.00am - Benefice Holy Communion - Throckmorton, followed by Picnic

Summer Picnic!

Bring a picnic (and chairs or rug) to have after the service **on Sunday 2nd August at 11:00am at Throckmorton**. There'll be a benefice cake to cut and share. If it's too hot to sit outside, we can sit inside. Toilets are available at the village hall where there is additional parking.

Start the Week with Prayer

On Mondays at 08:30 a small group meets online to say Morning Prayer together and pray. We are finished by 09:00. If you would to join us, please let Sarah know revsarahdangerfield@outlook.com; and you will be sent the Zoom link.

Bishop Hugh Talks About “Busy-ness”

You can read his address here: <https://www.cofe-worcester.org.uk/news/sermons-addresses/-diocesan-synod-address-july-26.php>.

Forever

“What a joy to discover that nothing about God is temporary.....God is not just our Father for a moment but for eternity, not crumbling sand but the Rock that remains, not just my Good Shepherd today but forever, not only the One who created me but the Eternal Creator who is constantly working for good in my life and always will be. All that God is, God always is” writes Kate Patterson in her book of the above title. Kate writes about how when we set our lives towards the eternal, we live differently. Anticipation of the destination changes the journey, and more, in that we discover eternity is not only about the future. Eternal life is found in knowing the ever-present eternal God in the here and now.

This is an advance notice and invitation to come along to four Wednesday evenings in November (4th, 11th, 18th and 25th) at Cropthorne Village Hall to discuss (or listen to others discuss) chapters of this book. “Living for Eternity – Knowing the God of Forever” by Kate Patterson is available for £12.99 from Muddy Pearl Publishers

<https://muddypearl.com/product/books/biography-and-spiritual-memoir/living-for-eternity/> An E-book is also available from the same publisher. Getting a copy to start reading in advance is advisable. If you'd like to know more or have difficulty acquiring a book, please speak with Sarah (01386 861669).

Funeral

Thursday 6th August at 11.00am at St James' Bishampton - Funeral of Mark Lampitt

Diocesan Event to Recognise Eco Church

An event was hosted by Bishop Hugh in the Old Palace Gardens last Saturday to recognise the work being done in churches (urban and rural) to raise awareness of eco-sustainability and practice it in life at home and church. Three representatives went to represent this work here in our parishes. For pictures and more information about the event see here <https://www.cofe-worcester.org.uk/news/celebrating-10-years-of-eco-church.php>

Cropthorne Walkabout 2026

St Michael's Church has received £6,662 for the maintenance of church fabric, with a further grant anticipated later this year. Thank you for everyone's efforts in making the

Prayer Diaries

The new Prayer Diary commencing from 26th July is now available from every church in the Parishes but if you would like to download a copy, please click [here](#).

Sustainable Floral Art

You are warmly invited to come along to St James Bishampton on **Wednesday 26 August at 7.30 pm** for a talk and demonstration on how to arrange flowers sustainably, [particularly in church] avoiding using oasis, or similar.

Renata, an award winning Master Florist, currently based in Pershore, is coming to give us advice and tips on how to produce pedestal and free standing arrangements, if you have a tricky location, bring along a photo and she will advise on that too.

Renata will also give details of local growers where we can purchase flowers to further assist in our drive for sustainability.

£5 a ticket to include a drink and nibbles. If you could let us know if you are likely to attend so that we can best arrange seating in the church it would be appreciated.

Thank you



Prayer Requests

If you wish your name to be included in the prayers at church services and on the Church E-News, please let Sarah know, revsarahdangerfield@outlook.com or 01386 861669.

Eco Church - *caring for God's creation*

A reminder why we do Eco Church

The Eco Church scheme helps us respond faithfully to the climate and nature crises. Through engagement with Eco Church, we are able to connect environmental issues with our Christian faith and mission, and respond with practical action.

This section will be taking a pause during the summer and will return as a monthly section from September.

Eco church team

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CHURCH SERVICES

AUGUST 2026

Sunday 2nd August

11:00 Benefice Holy Communion inside Throckmorton Church, followed by picnic - bring your own picnic food & chairs, or sit in church.

Sunday 9th August

11:00 Holy Communion Wyre Piddle

Sunday 16th August

11:00 Holy Communion Cropthorne

Sunday 23rd August

11:00 Holy Communion Bishampton

Sunday 30th August

11:00 Holy Communion Lower Moor

Sunday 6th September

9:30 Harvest Celebration Charlton
followed by Harvest Brunch, Old School Room

11:00 Holy Communion Fladbury

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