



Connection

Sunday 25th October 2020
Bible Sunday



Collect

Blessed Lord,
who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning:
help us so to hear them,
to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them
that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word,
we may embrace and for ever hold fast
the hope of everlasting life,
which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Reading: Colossians 3: 12-17

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Reading: Matthew 24: 30-35

Jesus said to his disciples: 'The sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see "the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven" with power and great glory. And he will send out his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other. 'From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see all these things, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.'

Post Communion Prayer

God of all grace,
your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry
with the bread of his life
and the word of his kingdom:
renew your people with your heavenly grace,
and in all our weakness
sustain us by your true and living bread;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Amen

Requests for Prayers

If there is someone or something that you would like to pray for please email us at eckingtonvicarage@hotmail.com



Please continue to pray for the ill and isolated, frontline, hospital and medical staff and for all those who are in any kind of need.

Those who are sick: Roy and Margaret Putnam, Richard Clements, Christopher Frith, Edward Bunn, Brian Bolam, Alison Edwards

We continue to pray for: Don Dufty, Percy and Sharon Blizzard, Jackie Pickford, Clive Hunt, Mary Doney

Those in residential care: Sheila Bigland-Gibbons, Barbara Milton, Rita Sheppy

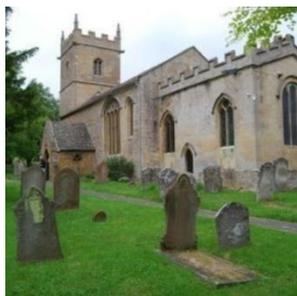
Those who have died and their families: Brian Druce, Charles Brazier, Nils Wilkes, Simon Flynn, Irene Keys

Anniversary of a death: Please pray for those who have lost loved ones

All Souls' Service

There will be a lay lead **All Souls' Service** for Eckington and Defford cum Besford at Holy Trinity, Eckington at 6pm on **Wednesday 4th November at 6pm**. If you would like a name to be included on the list of the remembered, please contact us.

The church services this Sunday 25th October will be at:



9.00am St Barbara's, Ashton-u-Hill



10.30am Holy Trinity, Eckington

The Rota for November 2020

Date	Church	Time	Minister
1 st November	Chapel of Ease, Bredon's Norton	9.00am	Reverend Catherine Lack
	St Faith's Overbury	9.00am	Reverend Allison Davies
	St Mary's, Elmley Castle	10.30am	Canon Roger Spiller
	Holy Trinity, Eckington	10.30am	Reverend Allison Davies
Remembrance Sunday 8 th November	St Peter's Chapelry, Besford with Holy Communion	9.00am	Reverend Allison Davies
	St Faith's, Overbury	10.45am	Lay lead
	Holy Trinity, Eckington*	10.30am	Reverend Allison Davies
	St Giles, Bredon**	10.30am	Peter Whitehead (Lay led)
	St Mary's Elmley Castle	10.45am	Peter Hayes (Lay led)
15 th November	St John the Baptist, Beckford	9.00am	Reverend Allison Davies
	St Giles, Bredon	10.30am	Reverend Allison Davies
	St Michael's, Great Comberton	10.30am	Canon Roger Spiller
22 nd November	St. James, Defford	9.00am	Reverend Allison Davies
	St Barbara's, Ashton Under Hill	10.30am	Reverend Doug Chaplin
	St Giles, Bredon	10.30am	Reverend Allison Davies
29 th November	St Faith's, Overbury	10.30am	Reverend Allison Davies
Fifth Sunday	United Service for Advent Sunday		

* The Eckington Remembrance Service is a ticketed only event – please contact Alison Khan at acbhteam@gmail.com

**The Bredon Remembrance Service is a ticketed only event – please email Alison Khan between Sunday 1st and Wednesday 4th November to reserve your place - acbhteam@gmail.com



Remembrance Sunday 2020

Owing to the COVID-19 pandemic and in light of the risks posed, the annual Remembrance Sunday Services will not take place as they have done in the past.

We recognise this will be deeply disappointing and it is not a step that has been taken lightly - this decision has been taken based on expert advice to protect your health and well-being. Therefore if you would like to attend the Remembrance Services at Eckington and Bredon on Sunday 8th November this year you will need to contact Alison Khan (details above). Also please remember that due to the rule of six you must disperse immediately following the services.

Despite the changes this year, you can ensure Remembrance Sunday is still marked appropriately by taking part in remote and socially distanced Remembrance activities, whether that is watching the service on television or pausing for the Two Minute Silence in your home or on your doorsteps.

The Royal British Legion have also put together a wide-range of suggested Covid safe activities that are inexpensive to create:

- Hold a small Remembrance service in your garden.
- Use our [Remembrance education activities](#) to help children learn about Remembrance.
- Create your own Remembrance art piece using our [teaching resources](#) – children and families could be asked to display something in their window like the rainbows for the NHS.

News from the Diocese

Prayers and diocesan news can be found at www.cofe-worcester.org.uk

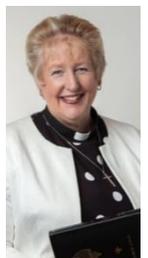


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Reverend Allison Davies

Vicar of Eckington, Defford with Besford and Associate Priest for the churches of the Bredon



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