

TWYNING PARISH CHURCH 2026

This highly acclaimed exhibition is coming up soon and will be one not to miss:

THREADS THROUGH THE CROSS

**will be in Tewkesbury Abbey from 3 July – 27 August
18 huge textile panels by artist Jacqui Parkinson**

Following her hugely popular *Threads through Creation* exhibition, Tewkesbury Abbey is delighted to welcome acclaimed textile artist **Jacqui Parkinson** with a stunning new display: *Threads through the Cross*.

This extraordinary exhibition tells the story of **Jesus' life, death, and resurrection** through **18 enormous textile panels** (3 x 3m and 3 x 2m). Bright, bold, and rich with symbolism, the panels invite visitors to reflect on the journey to the cross and beyond, asking: *What did Jesus go through? And why? What happened next?* Experience this **powerful blend of faith, art, and storytelling** in Tewkesbury Abbey.

- **Free to visit – no booking required**
- **Daytime and evening viewings**
- **Special guided meditation / prayer journeys available.**

Created with hand-dyed silks, metallic threads, gold leaf and millions of stitches, Jacqui Parkinson's work combines breathtaking scale with exquisite detail. Each piece invites reflection and wonder, bringing sacred stories to life in a way that is bold, dramatic and deeply moving.



THREADS

'Sacred stories, stitched in time'

Avon River Blessing event -14 June.

Here are just a few of the many photos taken of the Avon Blessing at Twynning.
Please see next month's newsletter for a written resumé.



Our River Avon travels for 85 miles through Leicestershire, Northamptonshire, Worcestershire, Warwickshire and Gloucestershire, from its source at Naseby in Northamptonshire until it merges with the River Severn at Tewkesbury

Chad's Well means 'cold well' and locals previously used it as drinking water. We could see the clarity of the water as the vegetation was cut back



After the Blessing of the River Avon we sang, then joined in a Scavenger Hunt and ended up listening to the many birds along the river, including an oyster catcher

A prayer

Lord, we give thanks for the water which our rivers provide for us and we pray for all people who go without fresh water and those living in places of drought. Amen.



SERVICES AND EVENTS

JULY

- July 5th Sunday 9.30am PARISH COMMUNION
- July 5th Sunday 3-5pm **STRAWBERRY CREAM TEA IN THE GARDEN**
at Birds Farm in aid of Acorns Children's Hospice



- July 8th Wednesday 10-12 Parish Coffee Morning
with Judy Marples, Blencathra, Goodiers Lane



- July 12th Sunday 9.30am PARISH COMMUNION
with Acorns Stall and Refreshments

- July 17th Friday Twyning School end of term

- July 19th Sunday 9.30am MORNING PRAISE



- July 26th Sunday 9.30am **PATRONAL FESTIVAL**
honouring our patron saint, Mary Magdalene
PARISH COMMUNION + Refreshments



AUGUST

- Aug 2nd Sunday 9.30am PARISH COMMUNION

- Aug 9th Sunday 9.30am PARISH COMMUNION
with Acorns Stall and Refreshments



- Aug 16th Sunday 9.30am PARISH COMMUNION

- Aug 23rd Sunday 9.30am PARISH COMMUNION+ Refreshments

- Aug 30th Sunday 10am **Service on the Village Green**



- Aug 31st Monday 1-4pm Village Fete inc. Church Stall

Readings, Readers & Hymns

9.30am unless time given	readings [small lectionary]	1 st & 2 nd readings	hymns NEH unless stated
5 th July Trinity 5 Parish Communion	Zechariah 9.9-12 p260 Romans 7.15-25a Matt 11.16-19, 25-30	Jessica Woolley	473 When morning gilds 349 Come let us join our 420 O Jesus I have promised 440 Praise to the Lord
12 th July Trinity 6 Parish Communion	Isaiah 55.10-13 p271 Romans 8.1-11 Matt 13.1-9, 18-23	Robert Cockrell	252 The day thou gavest 339 Be thou my vision 360 Firmly I believe and truly 55 Hail to the Lord's Anointed
19 th July Trinity 7 Morning Praise	contemporary Psalm 139.1-9 Matt 13.24-30,36-43	Gemma Munro	NEH 204 Praise my soul JP 246 There are 100s of sparrows NEH 120 Thine be the glory
26 th July <i>Patronal Festival</i> Parish Communion	Song of Solomon 3.1-4 2 Cor 5.14-17 p995 John 20.1-2,11-18	Vera Hesketh	418 O happy band of pilgrims 232 Awake my soul 381 Jerusalem the golden 186 Tell out my soul
2 nd August Trinity 9 Parish Communion	Isaiah 55.1-5 p288 Romans 9.1-5 Matthew 14.13-21	Nicola Marples	64 Be thou my guardian 276 Bread of heaven 440 Praise to the Lord 436 Praise my soul
9 th August Trinity 10 Parish Communion	1 Kings 19.9-18 p293 Romans 10.5-15 Matthew 14.22-33	Jac Taylor	374 How sweet the name 494 Christ is the world's true light 15 The Lord will come 338 At the name of Jesus
16 th August Trinity 11 Parish Communion	Isaiah 56.1, 6-8 p299 Rom 11.1-2a, 29-32 Matt 15.(10-20) 21-28	Pam Dell	80 In Christ there is no east 353 Dear Lord and Father 461 There's a wideness in God's mercy: T 48 Stuttgart omit 5&6 439 Praise to the holiest: omit *
23 rd August Trinity 12 Parish Communion	Isaiah 51.1-6 p304 Romans 12.1-8 Matthew 16.13-20	Dorothy Williams	365 God moves in a mysterious 346 City of God 433 O worship the King omit* 484 The church's 1 found'n omit*
30 th August 10am Service on the Green	tbc	tbc	tbc

Everyone is always welcome at all our services and events.

See our website: <http://www.achurchnearyou.com/twyning-st-mary-magdalene>

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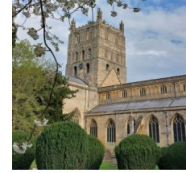
Richard Bailey was perusing Margaret's Bible one Sunday and he found interesting pages of information at the back. Here is the first and there'll be more next month.

Bible Diary

EVENT	CHARACTER(S)	PLACE	BOOK	DATE	
Creation	God	In the beginning. . .	Gen 1-2	↓	
Adam & Eve	Adam & Eve	Eden	Gen 3		
Cain kills Abel	Cain & Abel	Not in Eden!	Gen 4		
Tower of Babel		Babel	Gen 5		
Noah's Ark	Noah				
Abraham & Isaac	Abraham & Isaac	Moriah	Gen 22	↓	
Jacob's dream	Jacob	Bethel	Gen 28		
Joseph's technicolour coat	Joseph	Canaan	Gen 37		
Moses in the bulrushes	Moses	Egypt	Ex 2		
Moses & the burning bush	Moses	Hareb	Ex 3		
The seven plagues	Moses & Pharoah	Egypt	Ex 7-11	↓	
The Passover	Moses & Aaron	Egypt	Ex 12		
The Exodus	Moses		Ex 12		
Crossing the red sea	Moses		Ex 13-14		
Manna & quail	Desert of Sin		Ex 16		
The Ten Commandments	Moses	Mt. Sinai	Ex 20	↓	
Crossing the Jordan	Joshua	Jordan	Josh 3		
The walls of Jericho fall	Joshua	Jericho	Josh 6		
Gideon & the fleece	Gideon	Canaan	Judg 6-7		
Samson & Delilah	Samson	Canaan	Judg 13-16		
Samuel is called	Samuel	Israel	1 Sam 1-3	↓	
David & Goliath	David & Goliath	Israel	1 Sam 17		
David & Bathsheba	David & Bathsheba	Jerusalem	2 Sam 11		
Solomon builds the temple	Solomon	Israel	1 Kgs 6-7		
Writing on the wall	Daniel	Babylon	Dan 5		
Daniel in the lions' den	Daniel	Babylon	Dan 6	↓	
Jonah is swallowed	Jonah	Nineveh	Jon 1		
Birth	Jesus		Mt 1-2		
Baptism	John & Jesus		Mk 1		
Temptation	Jesus		Lk 4		
Jairus' daughter	Jesus		Lk 8	↓	
Feeding 5000	Jesus		Lk 9		
Calming the storm	Jesus & disciples		Mk 4		
Man with leprosy	Jesus		Mt 8		
Walking on water	Peter & Jesus		Mk 6		
Transfiguration	Jesus		Mt 17	↓	
Withering fig tree	Jesus		Mt 21		
Triumphal entry	Jesus		Mk 11		
Jesus gets angry	Jesus		Jn 2		
Wedding of Cana	Jesus		Jn 2		
Bethesda Pool	Jesus		Jn 5	↓	
The widow's two coins			Lk 21		
The Last Supper	Jesus & disciples		Mt 26		
Lazarus rises	Jesus & Lazarus		Jn 11		
Washing of feet	Jesus & disciples		Jn 13		
Garden of Gethsemane	Jesus		Mk 14	↓	
Judas betrays Jesus	Judas, Jesus & the disciples		Lk 22		
Peter denies Jesus	Peter & Jesus		Mt 26		
The Crucifixion	Jesus		Mk 15		
The Resurrection	Jesus		Lk 24		
Baptism by fire	The disciples		Acts 2	↓	
Conversion of Saul	Saul to Paul		Acts 9		
A new heaven & a new earth	John		Rev 21		
					100 A.D.



Benefice of Tewkesbury Abbey with Walton Cardiff & Twyning



We are part of the Benefice of **Tewkesbury with Walton Cardiff & Twyning** with Revd Canon Nick Davies as our vicar.

Katie Etherington, Ordinand

Katie has been a Reader and stalwart at the Abbey for many years and we remember with fondness when she came to Twyning. She has just been ordained by Bishop Rachel as Deacon in Gloucester Abbey on Sunday 28th June and was supported by a coach-load of people from this area: Angela (Cole) represented the Twyning congregation. Katie is being appointed to Ashchurch & Kemerton parishes as assistant curate so will not be far away. We wish her God's blessing in all that she undertakes in His name. Katie wrote:



As I approach this, my last Sunday at the Abbey, it is difficult to find words to express what this place and this community mean to me. I first visited the Abbey as a teenager in the 1990s and could never have imagined then how deeply my life would become rooted here. This is the church where Carleton and I were married, where I have been nurtured in faith and ministry, and where I have had the privilege of serving as a Reader for over a decade. Above all, I want to say thank you. Thank you for your friendship, encouragement, prayers, support and kindness over the years. Thank you to everyone who has worshipped, sung, served, laughed, cried, learned and journeyed alongside me. I would not be the person, Reader or ordinand I am today without you. While I look forward to this new chapter, I leave with immense gratitude for all that God has done in and through this place and its people. Please continue to pray for me as I prepare for ordination. Be assured that I will continue to hold the Abbey and all of you in my prayers.

ABBEY FAMILY NEWS

It is with great sadness that we announce that Flo, one of the Abbey's beloved dogs, has passed away. Flo and Eric were a welcome presence at the Abbey for two years where they greeted visitors from around the world. They retired from their official roles

towards the end of last year but often came in to visit still. Our thoughts are with Flo's owner, Chris, and of course, Eric.



TEWKESBURY ABBEY LUNCHTIME ORGAN RECITALS 2026

TUESDAYS at 1.00-1.45pm

JULY

- 7 Carleton Etherington
(Tewkesbury Abbey)
- 14 Peter King (Exeter)
- 21 James Lancelot (Organist
Emeritus, Durham Cathedral)
- 28 Thomas Hawkes

(Cirencester Parish Church)

AUGUST

- 11 Andrew Kirk
(Concert Organist)
- 18 Ed Jones (Leeds)
- 25 Simon Bell
(Dean Close School, Cheltenham)

Free admission – retiring collection

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