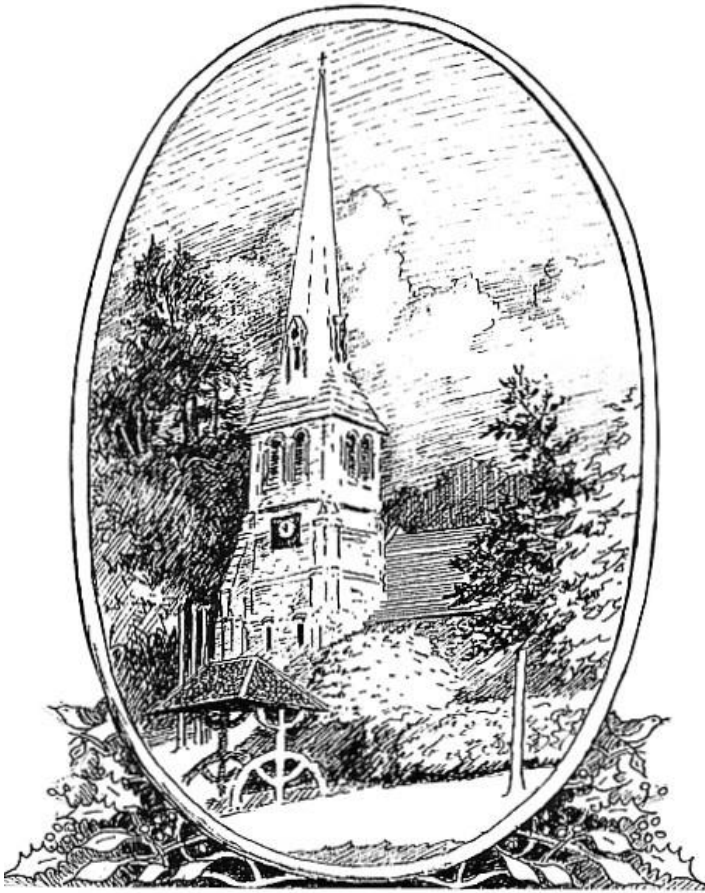




*St Michael & All Angels,
Chetwynd*

Parish Newsletter
October 2026

Chetwynd Church Services:

4th October	9.00am	Harvest Festival <i>Epistle: 2 Corinthians, Chapter 9, verses 6 - 15</i> <i>Gospel: Matthew, Chapter 6, verses 25 - 30</i>
11 th October	9.00am	Holy Communion <i>Epistle: Philippians Chapter 4, verses 1-9</i> <i>Gospel: Matthew, Chapter 22, verses 1 - 14</i>
18 th October	11.00am	Morning Prayer <i>Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 1, verses 1-10</i> <i>Gospel: Matthew, Chapter 22, verses 34 - end</i>
25 th October	9.00am	Holy Communion <i>Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 2, verses 1-18</i> <i>Gospel: Matthew, Chapter 22, verses 34 - end</i>

Everyone is welcome to stay after this service for refreshments!

Flower Rota

October	Pauline Bailey
November	Margaret Craddock

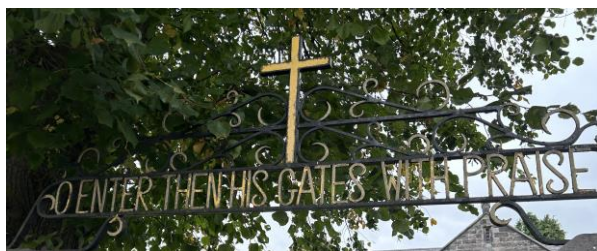
Coffee Rota

25 th October	Pauline Bailey and Judy Dix
22 nd November	Gail Stallwood

Ride and Stride

Chetwynd's 'Riders and Striders' enjoyed a day of visiting 11 churches for the Shropshire Historic Churches Trust event on 12th September. We are currently collecting in all sponsorship monies, half of which will come directly back to us here at Chetwynd. Thanks to all who supported the event on the day!





A Special Invitation to Welcome Revd Pippa White

The service of Collation and Induction of the Reverend Pippa White will be held at St Michael and All Angels, Chetwynd on **Saturday 17th October 2026 at 2.00pm.**

This is a special occasion as we welcome Pippa as our new Rector and begin a new chapter in the life of our churches. We would love as many of our congregation, friends and members of the wider community as possible to join us.

The Collation of Pippa by the Bishop of Shrewsbury will be followed by her Induction by the Archdeacon of Salop, and then conclude with Eucharist led by the Bishop of Shrewsbury.

Everyone is very welcome — this is not an invitation-only occasion.

We are expecting a large attendance and have arranged overflow accommodation for the service. There will also be **ample off- street parking close to the church**, with people available to help direct you.

Following the service, please join us for a **drinks reception** in a marquee in the gardens of **Chetwynd Manor**, immediately next door to the church. It will be a lovely opportunity to celebrate together and give Pippa a personal welcome. We very much hope you will be able to join us.

Summer Weather

The summer's hot weather has had an adverse effect on both the bells and the organ. We're pleased to report that the bells are now fine, and thanks are due to John Stokes for arranging a visit by Taylor Bell Foundry to rectify. The organ has corrected itself with the cooler weather but has also benefited from a 6-monthly service by Peter Oakes of John Oakes and Son.

Harvest Festival

As an important part of our harvest celebrations, donations are welcomed in church of **non-perishable food items** which are suitable for the Newport Food Bank. Please leave bags / boxes in church as items will be collected at @12 o'clock on the day.

Bell Ringing

We look forward to a visit from the **Worcester Cathedral Guild of Bellringers**, who will be at Chetwynd on **Saturday 24th October** and will be ringing a full peal between **3pm to 6pm**. This is the first full peal at the church since 2017. On six bells, as at Chetwynd, a full peal would commonly be 5,040 changes. A peal on six bells typically takes about 2¾–3 hours of continuous ringing. The same six ringers ring throughout: there are no substitutions or breaks. Importantly, it isn't simply ringing the bells 5,040 times. Each change involves all six bells sounding once, in a particular order, so a 5,040-change peal on six bells involves 30,240 individual bell strokes.

Diary Dates

Sunday 4 th October	Harvest Festival 9am (Church decorating Saturday 3 rd October, 9am onwards.)
Saturday 11 th October	Church cleaning in preparation for Licensing Service, 9am onwards
Saturday 17 th October	Collation and Licensing of Revd Pippa White, 2pm St Michael and All Angels, Chetwynd
Saturday 24 th October	Full peal of bells rung by The Worcester Cathedral Guild of Bellringers, 3 – 6pm
Sunday 25 th October	Baptism of Sophie Belcher , daughter of Harriet & Nick, at 12.30
Sunday 8 th November	Remembrance Service, 9am
Monday 9 th November	PCC Meeting 7pm
Sunday 20 th December	Carols and Christingle Service 11am



Prayer for October

Heavenly Father,

As the colours of autumn surround us and the fields yield their harvest, we give you thanks for the abundance of your creation and for all the blessings we receive from your generous hand. Help us never to take these gifts for granted, but to use them wisely, share them gladly, and remember those who are struggling or in need.

We thank you for the life and witness of St Michael and All Angels, Chetwynd, and for the faithfulness of all who have sustained the church through recent months. As we celebrate Harvest, fill our hearts with gratitude and remind us that every good thing comes from you.

We pray especially for Revd Pippa White as she is welcomed and licensed as Rector of the Benefice of Newport with Longford and Chetwynd this month. Bless her with wisdom, strength, and joy as she begins her ministry among us. May she know your guidance in every decision, your peace in every challenge, and your encouragement in every opportunity to serve.

Grant that together we may grow in faith, hope, and love, welcoming one another as Christ welcomes us, and seeking to share his light within our communities.

Through the prayers of St Michael and all the angels, may we be strengthened to follow Christ faithfully, serve others generously, and trust always in your unfailing care.

*Through Jesus Christ our Lord, **Amen.***

Weekly Collect Reflections

Reverend **James Graham** continues to provide us with a series of reflections on each weekly Collect from the Book of Common Prayer.

These are sent via email along with our weekly Benefice newsletter and are also published on our website below. *(If you would like to have printed copies, please let Jenny know.)*

[Weekly Collect Reflections - News - St. Michael & All Angels, Chetwynd - A Church Near You](#)

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[Worship and Prayer - St. Michael & All Angels, Chetwynd - A Church Near You](#)

Safeguarding : Promoting A Safer Church

When someone shares a concern, it is important they are listened to and taken seriously. You are not expected to investigate. Keeping people safe and ensuring concerns are recorded and referred appropriately is all of our responsibility.



Recognise

Be alert to signs or disclosures of abuse.



Respond

Listen carefully and take what is being said seriously.



Record

Make a written record of what has been shared.



Refer

Share the concern with the Safeguarding Officer and relevant authorities.

[It's Not Just Policy, It's Personal | The Church of England](#)

Please click the link below for further details, including our parish safeguarding information and updated policy for 2026 – 2027:

[Safeguarding - St. Michael & All Angels, Chetwynd - A Church Near You](#)

Lichfield Diocese News

Please click the link below for the latest bulletin with news and information from around the Diocese:

[News - Diocese of Lichfield](#)

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