Benefice of St Nicholas Newport and St Michael and All Angels, Chetwynd

Newsletter 1/11/26

Musings

We enjoyed a hot summer (too hot for some!) and this lasted into early autumn. But in the last few weeks autumn seems to have arrived and announced its arrival with a bang. We have had two named storms, one on the tail of the other. Climatologists advise that global warming means that we will have more summer heatwaves and more windy and wet winters. We will all have to adapt. We need to find ways to keep our homes cooler in summer and many will need to improve their flood defences.

God created a wonderful, complicated world. A world in which all things are interconnected. A natural, or man-made, disaster in one place can have effects which spread around the world. A major volcanic eruption can send clouds of ash high into the atmosphere resulting in changing weather patterns around the world. As seas warm fish and mammals change their migratory habits. Once a rare sight, large shoals of tuna have been seen off the coast of Cornwall this summer. But while some animals thrive and spread into new areas, others struggle to survive. For some nations too rising sea levels, as a result of melting ice-caps, are swallowing their land and threatening their livelihoods.

As our planet changes we all try to do our bit to help slow the rate of temperature increase. We recycle and re-use seeking ways to cut our carbon footprint. But we know that God loves the world he has created and he loves all his people. So we trust in him and pray that he will prosper the work of scientists and environmentalists so they may show us new ways that we can support Creation.

Sandra

This week beginning 1/11/26:

St Michael and All Angels

Sunday 9.00am Holy Communion

St Nicholas

Sunday 10.30am Holy Communion

Wednesday 10.30am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)

6.30pm Choral Evensong

Next week beginning 8/11/26:

St Michael and All Angels

Sunday 9.00am Holy Communion

St Nicholas

Sunday 10.30am Remembrance Service

Wednesday 10.30am Morning Prayer

Readings 1/11/26 1 John 3:1-3, Matthew 5:1-12
8/11/26 1 Thessalonians 4:13-end. Matthew 25:1-13

Prayer Meeting

The next Churches Together in Newport prayer meeting will be in the Baptist church on Monday 2nd November at 9.30am. All welcome to meet to pray for our churches and our community and to discuss upcoming events.

Church Cleaning

The St Nicholas Church cleaning team will be meeting in church on **Saturday 14th November** from 9.15am. new volunteers always welcome.

Churches Together in Newport

The CtiN will be holding their AGM and Planning Meeting in St Nicholas Church on Wednesday 18th November at 7.15pm. All welcome to look back on the past year and make plans for 2027

We pray for those nations meeting for COP31, the United Nations Climate Change Conference in Turkey in November. We pray they may work together and make progress

We remember in our prayers: Iraj and Minoo, Joyce and Geoff, Margaret and Maurice and Jo and Mike.

'The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it.'

Psalm 24, verse 1