

What's on

Coming Up

Sunday 7 September at 10.45 am at Little Comberton Church

Have you ever wondered why an Anglican Holy Communion service unfolds as it does?

On 7 September at 10.45 am at Little Comberton Church, Roger Spiller will be offering a running commentary as the service unfolds instead of a sermon. All are welcome!

Saturday 13th September 2025 .

On Saturday 13th September we have the annual Worcester and Dudley Historic Buildings ride and stride. An important annual fundraiser. Details and forms on website

Sunday 14th September 2025 **HARVEST WORSHIP** at Bricklehampton Church at 3.00 pm

A Tale of Two Cities and Several Ladies with Rev'd Dr Gerard Moate On the 7, 14 and 21st October 2025 7.00 - 8.00 pm at St Faith's Church, Church Row, Overbury, GL20 7NY

Three talks making connections between London and respectively the cities of Philippi, Corinth and Rome in New Testament times, secondly, connections between women who were known to St Paul (Lydia, Priscilla and Phoebe) and three ladies who once lived in London - to illustrate aspects of the Christian Virtue of Generosity.

Please email julietvines@gmail.com to let us know if you're thinking of coming, for catering purposes.

Please email content for the next Link News to rectoryoffice@btinternet.com by Wednesday 21st September 2025. Contributions from all villages welcomed. Thank you.

Please note that the rectory office is manned on Wednesday mornings 9.00 am - 1.00 pm

Weddings, funerals and baptisms

Enquiries should be made to Alison Khan, Administrative Co-ordinator, Bredon Hill Group (tel. 07984 748 059)

Link News is sent to all Church members whose email addresses we have. If you would like to forward it to a friend, please feel free to do so. If you know of someone who would like to be included in the mailing list, please ask

Sunday 7th September. 12th Sunday after Trinity and Sunday 14th September, 13th Sunday after Trinity



Celebration of the Eucharist

As preparation for celebrating our celebration of the Eucharist, with a running commentary, on Sunday 7th September, here are some words by one of the most influential writers on worship and liturgy, Dom Gregory Dix from the middle of the last century, on the Holy Communion. .

'Jesus told his friends to do this, and they have done it always since.

Was ever another command so obeyed? For century after century, spreading slowly to every continent and country and among every race on earth, this action has been done, in every conceivable human circumstance, for every conceivable human need, from infancy and before it, to extreme old age and after it; from the pinnacles of earthly greatness to the refuge of fugitives in the caves and dens of the earth.

Men have found no better thing than this to do for kings at their crowning and for criminals going to the scaffold; for armies in triumph, or for a bride and bridegroom in a little country church; while the hiss of scythes in the thick June grass came faintly through the windows of the church; tremulously, by an old monk on the fiftieth anniversary of his vows; furtively, by an exiled bishop who had hewn timber all day in a prison camp near Murmansk; gorgeously, for the canonisation of St Joan of Arc - one could fill many pages with the reasons why men have done this, and not tell a hundredth part of them. And best of all, week by week and month by month, on a hundred thousand successive Sundays, faithfully, unfailingly, across all the parishes of Christendom, the pastors have done this just to make "the plebs sancta dei" - holy common people of God'

Roger

Readings and Collects

Sunday 7th September

Readings

Jeremiah 18: 1 - 11
Psalm 139: 1 - 5, 12 - 18
Philemon 1 - 21
Luke 14: 25 - 33

Collect:

God of constant mercy,
Who sent your son to save us
Remind us of your goodness, in-
crease your grace within us that
our thankfulness may grow

Sunday 14th September

Readings

Jeremiah 4: 11 - 12, 22 - 28
Psalm 14
1 Timothy 1: 12 - 17
Luke 15: 1 - 10

Collect:

Almighty God
You search us and know us, may
we rely on you in weakness now
and in all our days
Through Jesus Christ our Lord

We pray . . .

For all in our community who are sick or in long term care:

- Bob Davies
- Yvonne Seward
- All in residential and care homes
- All who are living with chronic conditions

We remember the loss of loved ones

Those who have died recently and those whose anniversary of death falls at this time.

*May the souls of the faithful departed,
Through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*

For couples getting married

Jack Knowles & Victoria Bozward
William Wade & Laura Folkers

Lord of life and love, we pray for all who are preparing for marriage; for those who are already married and for those who find their marriages difficult. Be with them all; in their joy and sadness, their hope and their expectations, and above all, help them to understand that you hold them in love each moment of their lives. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

For our friends and neighbours in Kersoe

Bless those close to us,
our family and friends and neighbours.
Bless the neighbourhood of which we are a part. Bless these villages we think of as our home.
Bless the young and old, faces known or strangers. Keep them safe and well, meet them in their needs, our loving God, we pray.

In remembrance of 9/11 and subsequent atrocities'

Years have passed, but the events of September 11th will not be forgotten. As the anniversary comes about, let us take on the heart posture of peace towards our fellow man, and let us come before the Lord God Almighty to pray for our neighbours, our country and our world. Asking the Lord this day, how we can honour those who lost their lives and how we can serve the Kingdom of God here on earth. Let us be ever mindful to pray for peace and to boldly come before the Lord to invite His Spirit to be among us.



September Services

Sunday 7th September

9.00 am Besford - Holy Communion
10.45 am Bredon - Holy Communion
10.45 am Little Comberton - Holy Communion
6.00 pm Elmley Castle - Taizé

Wednesday 10th September

10.00 am Little Comberton - Morning worship

Sunday 14th September

9.00 am Bredon's Norton - Holy Communion
10.45 am Eckington - Holy Communion
10.45 am Overbury - Holy Communion
10.45 am Bredon - Morning Worship
3.00 pm Bricklehampton - Harvest Worship

Wednesday 17th September

10.00 am Little Comberton - Holy Communion

Holland House

Morning Prayer (Celtic and other) at Holland House on: Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 9.15 am. There will be a Eucharist at 12 noon on Wednesdays.

Confirmation Preparation 2026

Confirmation preparation for 2026 will be done in the Deanery (Rev'd Katryn will be involved). Confirmation courses are a wonderful opportunity to explore Christian faith over ten weekly sessions, together with others.

The course may be a refresher for you or in preparation for your confirmation. A Confirmation Service is a service where the promises made at your baptism are now affirmed by you as an adult and you receive the laying on of hands and anointing with oil by a bishop confirming you in the Christian faith. (If you have not been baptised, this may happen during the confirmation service at Worcester Cathedral on Easter Eve or in your parish.)

If you are thinking of being Confirmed, do speak to Rev'd Katryn

