

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2017**  
**Pentecost/Whit Sunday**

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**A Note from the Archdeacon:** Dear friends, as you enter a period of vacancy and plan and pray about the future leadership of the parish, I know from experience that there can sometimes be some anxiety about who is 'in charge'. Can I remind you that in vacancy the legal position is that the ultimate responsibility for decision making rests with the churchwardens. This applies to the conduct of church services as well as all other parish matters. I know that the churchwardens, supported by their deputy churchwardens, will work tirelessly on your behalf and I would encourage you please to support them and pray for them in their responsibilities. Thank you.

*Ven Phil Andrew.*

**Trinity Sunday** Evensong on Trinity Sunday (11 June) will take place at Holy Trinity Church to celebrate their Patronal Festival, there will be no evening service at the Parish Church. We are very pleased to announce that Revd Warwick Heathcote will be preaching at that 6pm service. There will be refreshments in the church afterwards.

**Mothers' Union.** Our next meeting is on Wednesday June 7<sup>th</sup> at 2.30pm in Watermoor Church Hall. Our guest speaker is Mrs Kate Thompson, an elected member of our Trustee Board and is a representative Member on our Worldwide Council. Her talk is entitled 'History of Mary Sumner House'. There will also be a bring & buy stall. All are welcome to our meetings, members or not.

**Don Henderson's funeral** – will take place in the Parish Church on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June at 1.30pm. Many of you will know his son, Martin, who is a server and a faithful member of our congregation. Martin has no family locally so it would be good if members of his church family are able to come and support him.

**Abbey 900 Festival of Flowers** to be held in the Parish Church from June 22<sup>nd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>, 10am – 4 pm Thursday to Saturday, and 12 – 4 pm on Sunday. The theme is 'The Circle of Life' and there will be over 35 arrangements created by the Flower Team with help from neighbouring churches and friends. Admission is free but donations will be appreciated. Everybody is welcome.

*The Flower Team*

**Flower Festival Monastery Garden** Thank you to all who have volunteered to grow herbs and flowers for the monastery garden to be created in the Trinity Chapel. Please would you bring them to the church on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June, in the morning if possible. If this is not convenient, they could be left church on the Saturday or Sunday but Monday would be the preferred day.

*Pam Barnes*

**Congratulations** to June Godsell and Peter Cottey who are to be admitted to the Company of St Kyneburga in Gloucester Cathedral on Tuesday 27 June at 5.30pm. Membership of the Company of St Kyneburga, created in 2013, recognises and honours significant service to the diocese of Gloucester and to parishes over a long period of time. Up to 20 people are honoured each year. As the invitation to the service and reception afterwards is also open to friends of the recipients and if there is sufficient interest, we will arrange transport from Cirencester to the cathedral (- lack of parking available there!). Please let us know in the Parish Office if you are interested in going.

**Parish Camp – Last Call!** Come and join us for a weekend of camping, fun, games, BBQ and outdoor-worship! 14<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> July on the Far Peak campsite near Northleach. Cost from £40 to £60 per pitch. For more information please contact our Deanery Administrator, Jacqui Squires, at: [cirencester.deanery@gmail.com](mailto:cirencester.deanery@gmail.com) or on 07890513087.

**Pilgrim: a course for the Christian journey** - Please join Ally Castle and other members of the congregation at Holy Trinity for a 6 week Church of England course that unpacks the basic message and teaching of the Christian faith in a reflective and conversational way with a small group of fellow travellers . This group is particularly aimed at parents and working people in the parish who tend to have busy lives and less opportunity to reflect in this way. It will be relaxed and informal, a chance to discuss, listen and journey together. This course focuses on the 10 Commandments and how they apply to contemporary life. Every Wednesday for 6 weeks from 8-9.30pm starting on **7 June** and meeting in homes in & around Watermoor. Refreshments provided. Please contact Ally to sign up or for more information: [allycastle@hotmail.com](mailto:allycastle@hotmail.com) / 07779 301621.

**Morning & Evening Prayer** - Due to the combination of an interregnum and sabbatical, at the request of the PCC the clergy are looking for some assistance to support the offering of the daily services of Morning Prayer and Evening Prayer in the Parish Church. These services are currently being held at 9am (Morning Prayer) and 4.30pm (Evening Prayer). The church is open to the public at these times and a Verger is on duty. The services follow a set pattern laid out in Common Worship, and have some seasonal variation. The text can be found in the red Common Worship books stored in the Catherine Chapel (e.g. page 113 for daily prayer in Ordinary Time). Prayers are included for the World, the Church, the suffering and the departed, and ourselves. At Evening Prayer we also offer the prayer requests of visitors left in the Prayer Requests box. Would anyone care to share in leading these services by reading, or perhaps officiating? I'm happy to offer some training in reading and officiating, or perhaps people would like to just come along to one of these services and see how it all works, if they are not already familiar with the services. Please call me on 01285 652576 if you are interested.

*Rev'd Katie*

**Men's Group Meal and Walk: Tuesday 6 June 2017....** In a change to our usual format, we shall be making the most of the light evenings by going on a (leisurely) walk in and around Cirencester, followed by a meal at The Golden Cross Inn. Our plan is to meet at **7.30pm** outside the Parish Church, head off for a short walk (no more than an hour or so) in the surrounding area and finish up at the pub for supper and a drink or two. If you are not able to come on the walk, please do not worry because you will be more than welcome to join us at the Golden Cross for the meal afterwards (we will be arriving back from the walk at about 8.30pm). Further details will be circulated over the next few days but we would be grateful if you could just let us know in the first instance whether you intend to come along for the walk and/or the meal (we will need to give the pub an idea about numbers for the meal).

The Golden Cross have kindly agreed to prepare a couple of menu choices especially for our group, which we hope you agree will lend a communal feel - and should also help to keep down costs per head. Once those meal options are confirmed, we will contact you again to ask for your choices in advance. We very much hope you can make it and look forward to hearing from you. Looking ahead to future meetings, the speaker at our July meeting (**Tuesday 4 July 2017**) will be Rev Kate Picot, Director of the Harnhill Centre of Christian Healing. This meeting will be held at The Crown, our usual venue.

There will be **no meeting** in August but normal service will be resumed for our September meeting on **Tuesday 5 September 2017**. Details will be sent out in due course.

**Holy Trinity, Watermoor** - From 15 May until 11 September 2017, during Fr Howard's sabbatical, Holy Trinity Church may not be opened before 10.00am. Locking up time will be around 5.00 pm. If the church is required outside these hours please contact the Parish Office (between 9.00am and 1.00pm on 01285 659317) well in advance. The wardens are very grateful to those who have "volunteered" to help cover these four months. **Clearly this does not apply to Sundays when the 8am service will take place as normal!**

**Mothers' Union** members are holding a coffee morning in the Parish Church on Friday 9th June from 10 o'clock to 12 o'clock. Everyone is welcome.

**Fairest Isle - Monday lunchtime organ concerts at St. John Baptist in June.** On Monday lunchtimes in June, at 1.10pm, Anthony Hammond will present a series of 40 minute organ concerts exploring Britain in music. The programmes (1. *Island Nation*, 2. *A Gloucester Organ Album*, 3. *Lands of Mountains and Floods* and 4. *The Last Lunchtime of the Proms*) will include familiar and lesser-known works by composers including Elgar, Vaughan-Williams, Wesley, Stanford and Brewer. Admission free, retiring collection.

## This Sunday's Services (June 4<sup>th</sup>)

### **Parish Church**

8am	Holy Communion	Revd Katie Richardson
10am	All Age Eucharist	Revd Dr Jan Van Der Lely
6pm	Evening Prayer	Richard Marlowe

### **Holy Trinity**

8am	Holy Communion	Revd Colin Mattock
10am	All Age Eucharist	Revd Rosemary Franklin

### **St Lawrence**

10.30am	Eucharist	Revd Katie Richardson
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## Next Sunday's Services (June 11<sup>th</sup>)

### **Parish Church**

8am	Holy Communion	Revd Canon Dr P Thomas
10am	Eucharist	Revd Canon Dr P Thomas
6pm	Evensong	All are welcome to Holy Trinity Church

### **Holy Trinity**

8am	Holy Communion	Revd Paul Springate
10am	Eucharist	Revd Penny Light
6pm	Trinity Sunday Evensong	Revd Canon Karen Schmidt with Revd Warwick Heathcote

### **St Lawrence**

10.30am	Eucharist	Revd Canon Karen Schmidt
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### **Daily Services at St John Baptist (Parish Church)**

Morning Prayer – 9.30am (Subject to clergy availability)

Eucharist -12 noon (N.B. Bank Holidays at 10am)

Evening Prayer – 4.30pm (Subject  
to clergy availability)

## Dates for the Week

### **Monday 5 June – Boniface (Wynfrith) of Crediton, Bishop, Apostle of Germany, Martyr, 754**

- 1:10pm Lunchtime organ recital by Anthony Hammond “Exploring Britain in music”  
7.00pm Cirencester Male Voice Choir (Parish Church)

### **Tuesday 6 June – Ini Kopuria, Founder of the Melanesian Brotherhood. 1945**

- 11:00am Parish Church Tour (Parish Church)  
1:30pm Funeral - Don Henderson (Parish Church)  
6:30pm Bell ringing practice (Parish Church)

### **Wednesday 7 June**

- 9.00am Drop in (St Lawrence)  
10.30am Holy Communion (St Lawrence)  
11:00am Parish Church Tour (Parish Church)  
2.00pm Mothers Union Meeting (Watermoor Hall)  
2:30pm Parish Church Tour (Parish Church)  
7.00pm Eucharist (Holy Trinity)

### **Thursday 8 June – Thomas Ken, Bishop of Bath & Wells, Nonjuror, Hymn Writer, 1711**

#### **General Election Day**

- 11:00am Parish Church Tour (Parish Church)  
2:00pm Little Angels (Parish Church)  
5:30pm Sing It! (Town Hall)  
7:30pm Choir Practice (Parish Church)

### **Friday 9 June – Columba, Abbot of Iona, Missionary, 597; Ephrem of Syria, Deacon, Hymn Writer, Teacher of the Faith, 373**

- 10.00am Mothers Union Coffee & Chat (Parish Church)  
11.00am Guided Tour (Parish Church)  
2.00pm Funeral-Robert Palmer (Holy Trinity)

### **Saturday 10 June**

- 1.00pm Organ Practice – H Clist-Woodward (Parish Church)

### **Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June**

- 6.00pm Holy Trinity's Trinity Sunday Evensong (Holy Trinity)