

**Welcome to St Matthias & St George Parish Church.**  
**A member of “Christ the King” team ministry.**  
**Week Commencing 8<sup>th</sup> July 2018**

*Jesus said to them “Prophets are not without honour; except in their own town, and among their own kin, and in their own house.” Mark 6 v 4*

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**Today’s Services for Sunday 8th July, 6th Sunday after Trinity.**

10.30 am sung Eucharist (Common Worship) with Sunday Stars in the hall

Hymns:

73 Brother, sister, let me serve you  
106 Dear Lord and Father of mankind  
167 God forgave me sin  
328 Make me a channel of you peace

**Services for W/C 9th July**

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> 12 noon, mid-day prayers

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> 10.00am said Eucharist.

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> 9am said Eucharist (Common Worship)

10.30am Sunday Stars in the hall.

6.30 pm sung Evensong (BCP)

**We pray for those who are sick:-** Mick Bolt, Philippa Kreuser, Rosie, Alex, Edna Weale, Jean Lees, Joyce Thomas, Margaret Emms, Margaret Mills, Marion Williams, Tally, Alexei, Sarah Harwood, Rosemary Hudson, Rev Ivor and Dora Merry, Margaret Savage, Ann Heath, and their families.

**Prayer Chain:** Pauline Jones is the Prayer Chain contact. If you have someone you wish to be prayed for, please contact Pauline on 892650 who will then contact other members of the Prayer Group.

**Nightstop foodbank:** There is a box at the rear of the church in which you can place food and toiletry gifts

**Collectors Corner: Margaret Andrew** continues to collect old magazines with lots of pictures, for male dementia patients. Please leave them at the back of the church.

**Spotlight’ Notices:** Please give notices for inclusion in next week’s issue to **Richard Porteous** by next Thursday on 01527 542620 or at [richardporteous@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:richardporteous@yahoo.co.uk)  
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**Strawberry Tea update:** The final total raised at the Strawberry Tea has now zoomed up to £350; well done to all concerned!

**Congratulations Pam Emery!** In case you missed it in last week’s Spotlight I thought it fitting to repeat the following article in today’s edition. ‘Yesterday, (30<sup>th</sup> June) when on parade at St Stephens Church Green as part of the Armed Forces Day celebrations, Pam fulfilled her first duty as the new, and first woman, President of Astwood Bank Royal British Legion.’ Ps, Pam’s still collecting stamps for charity.

**Early notice:** Please note that there will be a PCC meeting at 7.30pm in the vicarage following a said Eucharist service at 7.00 pm in church.

**Astwood Bank Carnival Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> July:**

Irene and Pauline will be running a children’s Lucky Dip at this coming Saturday’s carnival. **They are looking for donations of small presents for this stall.** The sort of things that they are looking for are – pencils, crayons, drawing books, paint boxes, reading books, small cuddly toys, cars –in fact all small things which children like – **but no sweets please.** There will also be a mask decorating stall as well as hopefully, some advertising about the church. If you are able to donate something, can it please be dropped off at either Irene’s house 1079, Evesham Road (Tel. 894179) or at Pauline’s 2650 Evesham Road (Tel. 892650). You may wish to ring first to ensure someone is at home to receive things.

**St Benedict**, whose saint’s day is on July 11<sup>th</sup>, organised various small communities of monks and nuns in a variety of places, including the great monastery of Monte Cassino. He drew up a set of rules to guide the communal life of monasteries. Although this was not the first monastic rule ever, the Rule of St Benedict has proved so wise and balanced that it has served as the foundation of practically every attempt at communal living ever since – and not only in religious communities. The Rule of St Benedict recognises that people aim at perfection but often fall well short of it, and aims to be a “rule for beginners” in which even the least perfect and least able can grow in spiritual stature.

