

St Matthias & St George Parish Church.
A member of “Christ the King” team ministry
Sunday 3rd July, 3rd Sunday after Trinity.

Sing unto the lord, O ye saints of his, and give thanks at the remembrance of his holiness. For his anger endureth but a moment; in his favour is life: weeping may endure for a night but joy cometh in the morning.
Psalm 30 v 4 -5 (KJV)

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Receiving from the Common Chalice: The common chalice is again being offered at Communion Services. Please come and receive the chalice if you wish to, but equally please feel free to continue receiving just the wafer/bread if you feel more comfortable with that. It is still absolutely a full communion.

Today’s service is Holy Communion at 4.00 pm

Weekday services this week are at:

-10am, Tuesday July 5th Traditional Language Eucharist at Ss Matthias & George, Astwood Bank.

-10 am, Thursday 7th, Mass at St. Peter’s, Crabbs Cross.

-Next Sunday 4pm, July 10th Holy Communion at Astwood Bank.

Additional online services.

-- *Accompany Fr Glenn as he streams **Sunday Evening Prayer** on our Facebook page. This will be uploaded on line from 3pm, but should you wish to join in the feel of a communal service, then we suggest you watch and listen with others at 6pm.*

- *Mthr Victoria offers live Compline on **Thursdays**; just press Ctrl + Click on the following link which will take you straight to the Facebook page*
<https://www.facebook.com/victoria.barlow.750>

We pray for those who are sick: Alex, Jean, Margaret Emms, Marion, Alexei, Dora, Margaret Savage, Carol, Carla, Carole, Tim, Jon & Naomi, Steven, Christopher, Arthur, Michelle Bonner

A memorial service will be held at **2pm on Thursday 7th July**, at St Stephen’s Church, Redditch in memory of **Canon David Salt**. We give thanks for his service as priest, Rural Dean and the support he gave this congregation during the last interregnum.

Foodbank: Any food or toiletry donations to be given to families supported by Redditch Homestart, should be placed in the blue box at the rear of church.

Please give notices for inclusion in next week’s Spotlight to Richard Porteous by next Thursday on 01527 542620 or at richardporteous@yahoo.co.uk

The monthly pattern of services at Ss Matthias & George is as follows.

1st, 2nd, 4th (and occasional 5th) Sunday 4.00 pm, Common Holy Communion; 3rd Sunday 10.30am, Common Holy Communion

Last Saturday’s **Feckenham Wake** raised over £800 with several hundred people visiting the church, thereby enabling its Patronal Festival to be celebrated in style. The Wake, busier than the last time it was held in 2019, was a very happy event.

Bromsgrove and Redditch Welcome Refugees: If you are aware of any Ukrainian Refugees being hosted by people in Redditch and surrounding villages, please ensure that the hosts are aware of the weekly meetings for Ukrainian refugees held at Redi Centre, 54 South Street, Redditch B98 7DQ on Tuesday mornings from 9am - 2pm. Please let Linda Fleming know at linda.fleming@btinternet.com if new people are coming or if they need a lift.

Mthr Victoria writes to say that following the **Baptism Matters** meeting recently held in June at the Bridge Hall and which was enjoyed so much by all present, a follow-up meeting is planned for July 27th at 3.30pm. The later time is to enable those who are working to stand a chance of joining together. Helen Laird will be helping guide the meeting, during which there will be refreshments. Mthr V says “If you were not at the last meeting you are very welcome to come along and join this time, it is a really inspiring exploring about how we love better and grow together as a church family.”

Peter, Paul and Thomas. This past week and today has seen feast days for a plethora of saints. Today is the feast day in the Roman Catholic church of St Thomas, who doubted Christ’s resurrection. The Anglican church holds his feast day in December. On Wednesday 29th June saw the feast of both St Peter and St Paul – the first, the apostle of Israel whilst St Paul is seen as that of the gentiles. As Mthr V says, “S. Peter is often thought of as the Rock on which the church is built, and S. Paul the one who bears its light far and wide. Both have stories of grace and mercy, one the persecutor and one the denier, both lifted in Love to become beacons of grace. This period is often the traditional time for Ordinations in both Anglican & Methodist Churches and we pray for all being ordained, especially Mel Beynon, well known in the benefice here who will be ordained to the Priesthood this weekend in her new parish. God be with them all.”

