

THE UNITED BENEFICE OF CRADLEY WITH MATHON AND STORRIDGE

Essential news from around the Benefice

This Sunday – 15th June – Trinity Sunday - Readings for this Sunday – Romans 5:1-5 and John 16:12-15	
9.30 am	Storrige – Holy Communion (BCP) – led by: Revd. Nicky Seabright
9.30 am	Mathon – Lay-led Mattins – address given by Kevin Brewer
10.45 am	Cradley – Taizé Service – led by Jane MacFarlane, Lay Minister
11.00 am	Benefice Live-streamed morning service, for Trinity Sunday Please join online (or by 'phone on 0330 221 0097 with Access Code: 578-270-357).
Events around the Benefice	
Monday 16th June 2.30 pm	Benefice Working Party - re Benefice Profile for new Rector @ Beech Close, Cradley
Wednesday 18th June 10.00am	Cradley Church – Said Holy Communion – led by Revd. John Watkins
Wednesday 18th June 11.00am	Church4All Meeting
Wednesday 18th June 6.30pm	Live-streamed Evening Prayer, at Benefice Please join us online (or by 'phone on 0330 221 0097 with Access Code: 496-060-773
Sunday 29th June 9.30am	Mathon – Benefice Service Please Note Not Cradley
<p>Prayer for the week: Pray that all the ministry we offer may affirm the rights, abilities and value of every person, whatever their age, gender, ethnicity or background, and that this may be reflected as a mission priority within our planning, decision making and selection and appointment processes. Amen</p> <p>Unlike other festivals in the church's liturgical calendar, Trinity Sunday centres on a doctrine of the church, rather than an event. On this day we celebrate the unfathomable mystery of God's being, which we speak of as Trinity. May this be a day of adoration and praise of the God who is from eternity to eternity, beyond our sight and comprehension, and who yet comes to us, and reveals himself to us.</p> <p>This is Refugee Week, connecting with World Refugee Day which is Friday. The week celebrates the contributions of people seeking sanctuary, and challenges negative stereotypes.</p> <p>The work of Samuel and Henrietta Barnett, remembered on Tuesday, is a reminder that much we take for granted in terms of social care was the result of many years of campaigning work by those who, like Henrietta Barnett, refused to let the status quo go unchallenged.</p> <p>Thursday is Corpus Christi. Give thanks for the institution of Holy Communion, in which our Lord promises to be present among us as we meet in his name, and break the bread he blesses.</p> <p>Friday is the Visitation, and it is as Mary visits her kinswoman Elizabeth that she speaks the words we call the Magnificat.</p> <p>The Summer Solstice falls on Saturday: give thanks for the rhythm of the seasons, and the way in which the natural world can speak to us of the wonder and majesty of its Creator.</p> <p>Saturday is also World Music Day: give thanks for the diverse and vibrant world of music, for all who write and compose, and especially for all who help children and young people to develop skills or just to enjoy different forms of music.</p> <p>World MND Day is marked on Saturday. Pray for all who live with Motor Neurone Disease and for their support, and for continued research.</p> <p>Among the sick in our Benefice: pray for Jane Howe recovering from an operation, Rod and Pam Ellis; Gill Howard; Anne Edmonds; Anne Drummond; Frank Bye; Maurice Taylor; Pam and Peter Noel and Doreen and David McKerracher.</p> <p>Remember those who have died recently and all whom we remember year by year and give thanks that they may rest in peace and rise in glory.</p>	
Sunday 22 June – Readings: Galatians 3:23-29 and Luke 8:26-39	
9.30 am	Mathon – Mattins – Lay-led
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10.45 am	Cradley - Parish Communion – led by Revd. Preb. Nicky Seabright
6.00pm	Benefice – Live-stream service of Evening Prayer
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