

For Your Prayers This Month:



“He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty. He will cover you with his feathers and under his wings you will find refuge.” Psalm 91:1 & 4

Loving Heavenly Father,
For the love of Jesus, we ask that you watch over those young children known to us who are in real need of your healing touch. We thank you for the work of the doctors and those caring for them and we ask for miracles, that these children will be well.

We pray for our local school of Salford Priors and ask that you strengthen all who work there, teaching and caring for the children of this community.

Father, we lift to you those known to us who are anxious, ill, fearful, and those facing the end of this life, and ask that you would be very close to them.

We mention by name those needing your healing touch: Glen, Rhiannon, Alan (Margaret’s son), Sylvia, Beth, Andrew, Kat, Alex Waring, Mike N, Penny, Terry Singlehurst following his hernia operation, Julie Rammage’s knee, and we thank you that Joanna’s legs are starting to improve after a long illness.

We pray for Olena and her son Nazar who are in Kyiv waiting for tests to be completed as part of their visa application before they can come to Mandy and Pete. They are also in need of financial support.

We pray for support and strengthening of those families are who going through difficult times. Help them to walk confidently in the knowledge that your mercies are new every morning and that you never leave us.

**For inclusion in the Prayer List, please direct your requests to Denise Andreo:
Call: 07791 347651 or email: deniseandreo@gmail.com**

Weekly Prayer Meeting:

Please join us for our short, informal weekly prayer meeting at St Matthew’s Church. 9:30am every Tuesday in the Church Room.

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to the Heart of England Benefice

Bidford on Avon • Binton • Exhall • Salford Priors • Temple Grafton • Wixford



What’s on in July

First Wednesday of each month, 1-2.30pm

We need volunteers to help with the Rainbow Garden at St Matthew’s Church. No experience necessary. If interested, please email: admin@heartparishes.org.uk



Saturday 12th July, 9-10.30am

St Matthew’s Men’s Breakfast Group

Meeting at Osco’s, Blenheim Nursery, Stratford Road, Bidford

To book, please email johnahead@icloud.com by 13th June, stating any dietary requirements.



Sunday 13th July, 1.30-6pm(ish)

‘Finding God in Nature’ retreat, at Tall Trees, Cleeve Prior.

For more information, contact Sue Martyr: Martyrboots@yahoo.co.uk or Mandy English: mandyenglish.me@gmail.com

Please confirm attendance by 10th July. Donations towards the afternoon welcome.

Tuesday 15th July, 2.30pm

Quiet afternoon led by Adrian Leahy. 2.30pm in St Laurence’s Church.

Everyone welcome. Contact c.leahy@yahoo.co.uk for further information



There will be no Messy Church in July

SUMMER HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES:

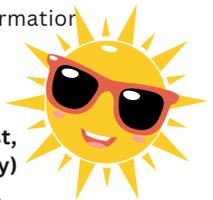
Tuesday 22nd July, Wednesday 30th July, Monday 4th August, Thursday 14th August, Thursday 28th August (mornings only)

Bookings now open to St Matthew’s Church congregation, Salford Priors residents, or Salford/Dunnington school pupils.

Details can be found on St Matthew’s Church Facebook page.

Booking essential. Suggested donation £1 per child.

Please email sarah.heartparishes@gmail.com to book, stating which group/session you’d prefer.



COMING SOON

Most Tuesdays, 7.30-9 pm, starting from 2nd September

The return of ‘Midweek Meet-up’ at St Matthew’s Church Room.

Exploring the basics of faith. Every session is just 90 minutes,

and at some point in the Autumn term, these sessions will go back over the Explore Course.

Contact Rev Sheila Bridge for more information.



If you are visiting us today or are here for the first time, we hope you have felt welcomed and have enjoyed worshipping here. Do please introduce yourself to someone after the service.



July Services Across the Benefice

At Family Services or Café Church, worship leaders are free to choose alternative reading(s).
When it is a Communion service, a gospel reading is usual.

6th July: The Third Sunday after Trinity

8.45am Holy Communion	Salford Priors
10.30am Café Church	Bidford
10.30am Family Service	Salford Priors
6.30pm Evensong	Exhall

1st Reading: Isaiah 66.10-14 | **2nd Reading:** Galatians 6.[1-6] 7-16 |
Gospel Reading: Luke 10-11, 16-20

Collect

God our saviour,
look on this wounded world
in pity and in power;
hold us fast to your promises of peace
won for us by your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen**

Post Communion Prayer

O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining
and whose power we cannot comprehend:
show us your glory as far as we can grasp it,
and shield us from knowing more than we can bear
until we may look upon you without fear;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen**

13th July: The Fourth Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion	Temple Grafton
10.00am Holy Communion	Bidford
10.30am Holy Communion & Muddy Church	Salford Priors
10.30am Village Praise	Binton
5.00pm 'Breathing Space'	Salford Priors

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 30.9-14 | **2nd Reading:** Colossians 1.1-14
Gospel Reading: Luke 10.25-37

Collect

Gracious Father,
by the obedience of Jesus
you brought salvation to our wayward world:
draw us into harmony with your will,
that we may find all things restored in him,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen**

Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God,
comfort of the afflicted and healer of the broken,
you have fed us at the table of life and hope:
teach us the ways of gentleness and peace,
that all the world may acknowledge
the kingdom of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

eco tip: On hot summer days, wildlife can struggle to stay hydrated.
Provide shade and a dish of fresh water in your garden to
give visiting creatures a helping hand.



20th July: The Fifth Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion	Wixford
10.00am Holy Communion	Bidford
10.30am Café Church (Family Service)	Salford Priors
6.30pm Compline	Wixford

1st Reading: Genesis 18.1-10a | **2nd Reading:** Colossians 1.15-28 | **Gospel Reading:** Luke 10.38-end

Collect

Almighty God,
send down upon your Church
the riches of your Spirit,
and kindle in all who minister the gospel
your countless gifts of grace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Post Communion Prayer

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you,
that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered
by your governance,
that your Church may joyfully serve you in all godly quietness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

27th July: The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion	Exhall
10.00am Holy Communion	Bidford
10.30am Holy Communion	Salford Priors
11.00am Village Praise	Exhall

1st Reading: Genesis 18.20-32 | **2nd Reading:** Colossians 2.6-19 | **Gospel Reading:** Luke 11.1-13

Collect

Creator God,
you made us all in your image:
may we discern you in all that we see,
and serve you in all that we do;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Post Communion Prayer

God of our pilgrimage,
you have led us to the living water:
refresh and sustain us
as we go forward on our journey,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

UPCOMING SERVICES:

3rd August: The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

8.45am Holy Communion	Salford Priors
10.30am Café Church	Bidford
10.30am Family Service	Salford Priors
6.30pm Evensong	Wixford

1st Reading: Ecclesiastes 1.2, 12-14; 2.18-23

2nd Reading: Colossians 3.1-11

Gospel Reading: Luke 12.13-21

3rd August: The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion	Temple Grafton
10.00am Holy Communion	Bidford
10.30am Holy Communion	Salford Priors
10.30am Village Praise	Binton
5.00pm 'Breathing Space'	Salford Priors

1st Reading: Genesis 15.1-6

2nd Reading: Hebrews 11.1-3, 8-16

Gospel Reading: Luke 12.32-40