

This Week in South Wye

Monday—Saturday

8:00am Morning Prayer Livestream

8:00pm Night Prayer Livestream

Thursday 17th September

10:00pm Online "My Perspective"

Sunday 20th September—Trinity 15

9:00am Holy Communion St Martin's

10:00am Harvest Communion at St Martin's

11:15am Morning Prayer St Peter's

These Harvest Communion services will be held out of doors—please dress appropriately and bring 'store cupboard' harvest gifts for Hereford Foodbank

Tuesday 22nd September

10:00 Facebook Rooms Coffee Morning

Thursday 24th September

10:00pm Online "My Perspective"

Sunday 27th September

9:00am Holy Communion at St Martin's

10:00 am Holy Communion at St Martin's

11.15am Morning Prayer St Peter's

6.00pm Holy Communion with Choir at St Martin's

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South Wye News Sheet

Trinity 15

Sunday 20th September 2020

THE SOUTH WYE

PARISHES OF

St Martin's, Hereford

St Peter's, Bullinghope



Hello Everyone - I hope that you are safe and well and enjoying this fine weather. I know that several of you have been enjoying holidays in various parts of the UK and how important it has been to have a break, although most of the people that I've spoken to say that the most valuable part of their holiday has been the chance to spend time with family. Having, largely, managed Lockdown pretty well - there are some Chelsea quality gardens around the parish now to bear witness to that - I think that we are all finding this period quite unsettling. The Rule of Six is very sensible and clear, but it will undoubtedly have negative effects on our ability to gather together, to meet our friends and family and that will have an impact on our happiness and contentment. At the same time, I am very aware that as we return to more normal working patterns and workloads, I am not keeping in touch with people as much as I did earlier in the year. Please let me know if you are struggling or are worried about someone else.

As the restrictions and regulations continue to change, we will endeavour to maintain social distancing and hygiene in our 'in-person' services. Keeping the doors open to ensure good airflow may be less attractive in December and we all miss singing so much, but the safety of our friends and neighbours must be paramount. Our online services will shortly change to include the 'in-person' services but online we will be able to include hymns and we hope that the services we offer on-line are never second best. I know that some of you are choosing to move between on-line and in-person services from week to week which seems a good compromise.

With every blessing to you all,

Anne

Readings and Prayers for Harvest

Deuteronomy 8.7-18

For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper. You shall eat your fill and bless the Lord your God for the good land that he has given you.

Take care that you do not forget the Lord your God, by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes, which I am commanding you today. When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them, and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid waste-land with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for you from flint rock, and fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you, and in the end to do you good. Do not say to yourself, 'My power and the might of my own hand have gained me this wealth.' But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing today.

Luke 12:16 - 34

Then Jesus told them a parable: 'The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, "What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?" Then he said, "I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry."

My Perspective:

Every Thursday, a weekly reflection from one of the team.

Join us on St Martin's Facebook any time from 10am Thursday.

Don't forget **Tuesday Morning Coffee** which is still happening – although it is over Zoom so you have to bring your own coffee these days! Everyone is welcome! – find the links on Facebook at *Cosy Cuppa and a Chat* or contact Jo for details

St Martin's Gift Day

Thank you too to the generosity of all who made donations to our Gift Day, which is very much appreciated and which raised well over £2000. It's not too late to give, and any help that you can give will be much appreciated. The last months have completely wiped out our planned fundraising events for the year and our running costs - especially insurance fees and our offer to the Diocese to support some of our ministry costs - have not reduced.

If you feel able in your heart to support us financially our Account details are:

St Martins with St Francis PCC

Sort Code: 30 94 14

Account Number: 03296068

Or online via tiny.cc@StMartins

Thank you for your support, *Anne*

Community and Family News

Home Communion

If you are unable to come to Church and would like to receive Communion at home over the next few weeks, please get in touch so that we can work out how to arrange a visit as safely as possible.

St Peter's

In order to support the most vulnerable members of our congregation, St Peter's Bullinghope is not open to visitors during the week. This means that we can be sure that the building has had more than 72 hours of 'quarantine' before Sunday's service. To this end the church keys have been removed from their not so secret hiding place (let the reader understand!) If you need access to the church during the week, please contact the office and restrict visits to the early part of the week. Thank you

FUNDRAISING

St Martin's Online Sales

Although we have not been able to have a fete this year, it takes more than a global pandemic to stop St Martin's holding a Bric-a-brac stall!

We have moved sales online - check out the facebook page

[facebook.com/St-Martins-Hereford-Bric-a-Brac](https://www.facebook.com/St-Martins-Hereford-Bric-a-Brac)

For homemade knits, books, commemorative china, blankets and bedding and much more. You can pay electronically through the page or bring your cash as you come along to the office to collect your purchases.

We would also love you to donate good quality, saleable, second-hand or hand crafted items that will make a sale lot, either individually or grouped together (storage is limited, so no job-lot boxes of mystery tat please).

Donations can be dropped off at the Team office on weekday mornings or collected from properties in the vicinity of St Martin's.



But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?"

So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.' He said to his disciples, 'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear. For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? If then you are not able to do so small a thing as that, why do you worry about the rest?

Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you—you of little faith! And do not keep striving for what you are to eat and what you are to drink, and do not keep worrying. For it is the nations of the world that strive after all these things, and your Father knows that you need them.

'Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Collect

Creator God, you made the goodness of the land, the riches of the sea and the rhythm of the seasons; as we thank you for the harvest, may we cherish and respect this planet and its peoples, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

For your prayers

Those who are preparing for their wedding next month

Jack Whitbread and Natalie Johnson
Daniel O'Connor and Annie Greenfield

Those who are ill or in need of your prayers, including:

Glenys H	Gaynor C	Ann W	Carol
Marcia R	Oliver	Chrissie	Hana
Joe D	Nick D	Brenda B	Immie B
Lee	Roger	Seren W	Dot G
Emma	Bob	Harry	Viv
Tom M			

Those who have died and those who mourn their loss:

Avril B Diane W Margaret C Amy B
Brian C

Anglican Communion:

The Episcopal Church of South Sudan -
Archbishop: The Most Revd Justin Badi Arama.
Hereford Kington & Weobley Deanery: Rural
Dean – Guy Wilkinson; Lay Co-Chair – Elizabeth
Shayler; Sub-Warden of Readers – Henry Verwey

Hereford

Pray for churches across our Diocese holding Gift
Day services, events and activities today, or
planning them for other days, and that we may
enable and ensure the funding we need for
ministry and mission in these testing times.

Porvoo.

England: Sheffield - Bishop Pete Wilcox, Bishop
Peter Burrows;
Sodor and Man - Bishop Peter Eagles;
Greenland: Bishop Sofie Petersen

South Wye

Please pray for all those across our parishes who
are worried about how they will feed themselves
or their families this week. For those using
Foodbanks, parents who will eat less so that their
children can have enough and those who are
vulnerably housed or do not have access to
cooking facilities.

Pray for the Meals at St Martin's team working out
how they can best serve the community under the
current restrictions.

Services online and on TV and Radio

South Wye Services

Through the Week
8:00am and 8:00pm daily Morning and Night
Prayer on St Martin's Facebook

Sunday 20th September, Trinity 15
9 am and 10 am- Holy Communion at St. Martin's
11.15am– Morning Prayer at St. Peter's,
Bullinghope

Telephone service: To listen to an audio version of
the Communion service, call 01432 806066 after
9:30 on Sunday – the service will be available for
the whole week. This will cost you the same per
minute as a local 'phone call. There is a message
and then some silence before the service starts –
don't panic, if you have heard the message then
the service will start before long.

Or find a video of the service from 9:00am on
Sunday on St. Peter's Facebook, St. Martin's
Facebook and St. Martin's YouTube channel

Diocese of Hereford

Diocese of Hereford Facebook
Sunday Service 10am with Bishop Richard
Diocese Freephone Prayerline
Dial 0800 304 7052 to hear a prayer

Church of England

National Weekly Service Facebook at 9:00am

TV and Radio on Sunday 20th September

BBC H&W 8:00am Sunday Worship
Radio 4 8:10am Where shall we put our trust
with Father Brian D'Arcy
BBC 1 1:15pm Harvest in Saddleworth with
Rev Kate Bottley

Prayer for the day:

The Church of England website has audio and
text of the Prayer for the Day

Daily Hope Phone Line 0800 804 8044 - a free
national phone line offers music, prayers and
reflections as well as full worship services from
the Church of England