



BENEFICE WORSHIP AND NEWS

St Peter and St Paul, Deddington

St Michael and St John, Barford

St John the Evangelist Hempton

Hello from Barford!

I naively did not imagine that 3 months later we would still be emerging from the beginning of lockdown; which has thankfully kept so many of us safe here in the benefice. Life has indeed carried on, with many joys of good health, birthday celebrations and more, but also anxiety of finance and much sadness of lives of loved ones taken from us far too soon.

But I have had more conversations with local people in the past three months than I have had in my three years here. I have discovered who has amazing craft skills, who to go to for seedlings and young plants and discovered the amazing generosity and kindness right here in our midst.

Many people talk about us venturing out into a new way of doing things, let us take heart that God is with us, the greatest creator and gardener of all time! As we make our slow returns to our busy lives, let us not forget the friendships that have sprouted and continue to nurture and care for them.

Genesis 1:11 ESV

And God said, "Let the earth sprout vegetation, plants yielding seed, and fruit trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind, on the earth." And it was so.

Blessings from Paula



St Michael's Church is now open daily for private prayer and quiet reflection between the hours of **10am and 4pm** each day.

We urgently need one or two more people to join our grass cutting team to help at St Michael's Church. If you are interested, please contact the Church wardens - Sue Addison or Tony Elvidge.

St Peter's Fish



From last week's news sheet....

Jewish boys were circumcised on the **8th** day after their birth. **John the Baptist** was to be called **Zachariah** after his father; the objections raised were that no-one in his family was called John – this new name was a break with tradition, a new start.

For church bookings please contact: bookings@deddingtonchurch.org
please send any items for the newsheet by 1200 noon on Wednesdays to
newssheet@deddingtonchurch.org

3rd SUNDAY after Trinity

28 JUNE 2020

Matthew reminds us of the importance of welcome and hospitality, explaining to his readers that to welcome a follower of Christ is to welcome Christ himself.

Sunday by Sunday, RSCM

With welcome in mind, we are now able to welcome people back into our churches, but not as we usually would. Coronavirus is still a very real threat to our community; so, much prayer, thought and planning is going into how we do this.

Simon and Saul were a fisherman and a tentmaker. But through relationship with Jesus Christ became Peter and Paul, founders of the church.



SERVICES ONLINE 28 JUNE- 4 JULY

SUNDAY	1030	Holy Communion
MONDAY TO FRIDAY	0845	Morning Prayer
WEDNESDAY	1000	Holy Communion



Readings:

Sunday – Jeremiah 28.5-9, **Romans 6.12-end**, Matthew 10.40-end

Monday – Peter and Paul, Apostles

Zechariah 4.-6a, 10b-end, **Acts 12.1-11**, Matthew 16.13-19

Tuesday – Judges 9.1-21, **Luke 15.11-end**

Wednesday – Judges 9.22-end, **Luke 16.1-18**

HOLY COMMUNION – Amos 5.14-15, 21-24, **Matthew 8.28-end**

Thursday – Judges 11.1-11, **Luke 16.19-end**

Friday - 2 Samuel 15.17-21, **John 11.1-16** [Thomas the Apostle]

Saturday – Judges 12.1-7, **Luke 17.11-19**

Vicar: Rev'd Annie Goldthorp - 01869 336880/vicar@deddingtonchurch.org

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For enquiries about weddings or baptisms – please contact the vicar

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