

**The Churches of Holy Trinity Belbroughton,  
St Mark Fairfield, St Leonard Clent  
St James the Great Churchill, St James the Great Blakedown,  
St Peter Broome  
PEWSHEET 9<sup>th</sup> August Trinity 9 (Green)  
A very warm welcome to all parishioners today**

**Readings this week**

Genesis 37.1-4,12-28; Psalm 105.1-6,16-22,45b; Matthew 14.22-33  
Alternate: 1 Kings 19.9-18; Psalm 85.8-13; Romans 10.5-15; Matthew 14.22-33

**This week please pray for:**

- \* Diocese of Portsmouth, Stockholm (Sweden), Shyira (Rwanda) and all their Archbishops, Bishops and clergy.
- \* Those affected by the current outbreak of COVID-19
- \* The National Health Service, and all key workers
- \* Teachers and leaders of children
- \* Members of our community who cannot attend church this week
- \* The homes and families Chapel lane Belbroughton; Mount Lane, Clent; Sandy lane, Wildmoor; South Road, Broome; Roxall Close, Blakedown & Churchill

**Prayer:**

Loving Jesus, you are compassionate to those in need  
and heal the sick in body and mind.  
Look kindly on those who are fearful at this time.  
Help us all to put away all thoughts and actions  
that separate us from you and from one another.  
Give us grace to live our lives  
confident in your promise that you are with us always.  
Amen.

**We pray for those suffering** in body, mind or spirit; may they know your presence alongside them in their time of need, including: Helen Mather, Lance Brennan, Trevor Jones, Tim Burns, Judy Moyes, John Westley, Ken Winfield, Drew Beaumont, Dorothy Tomkins, Susan Dennis, Robert Davies, Sheila Gordon, Nina Moyes, John and Hazel Smith, Jan Woolley, Revd Pat Barford (Dodford)

**We pray, for those mourning** the death of loved ones especially for the family and friends of Joyce Ward, Ann Hiron, John Skelding, Patrick Preece, Robert Burrow, Pat Weston

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## READINGS FOR THIS WEEK with Canon Sue:

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## Psalm

*Psalm 105.1-6,16-22,45b from The Manhattan Psalter*

Give thanks to God, call out to him, shout his name, tell everyone all about him so all, near and far, know of him. Throw back your heads and sing, sing-songs of praise that tell the story of his wonders. Revel in the name of the Holy One, have merry hearts, you seekers of God. Keep searching for him and his strong right arm; strive to live more consciously in his presence in the depth of contemplation. Keep before your mind's eye all the wonderful things he has done, the great acts of intervention on our behalf. Heirs of Abraham, children of Jacob, he is God Almighty.

He never forgets a promise, the covenant made to last a thousand years, sealed between himself and Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, an everlasting bond with Israel.

In his divine plan, he placed Joseph in a position where he could help his brothers by allowing him to be sold as a slave. He was chained like a criminal, shackled like a common thief, until God's moment came and he put the rest of his plan into action. He softened the heart of the ruler, so that he released Joseph, gave him complete freedom, and made him a person of pre-eminence besides. Now he put in charge of all the royal goods, with full authority over all the officials so that his opinions were sought and valued even by his elders.

He was faithful to what he promised to his friend Abraham.....Yes, everything was his chosen peoples' forever...if they remained loyal and obedient to his laws.

Alleluia

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading

*Matthew 14.22-33*

Immediately after feeding the crowd with the five loaves and two fish, <sup>22</sup>Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. <sup>23</sup>And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, <sup>24</sup>but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. <sup>25</sup>And early in the morning he came walking towards them on the lake. <sup>26</sup>But when the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified, saying, 'It is a ghost!' And they cried out in fear. <sup>27</sup>But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, 'Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.'

<sup>28</sup>Peter answered him, 'Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.'

<sup>29</sup>He said, 'Come.' So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came towards Jesus. <sup>30</sup>But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, 'Lord, save me!' <sup>31</sup>Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, 'You of little faith, why did you doubt?'

<sup>32</sup>When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. <sup>33</sup>And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, 'Truly you are the Son of God.'

## CHURCH NEWS AND SERVICES

There is a live service at Belbroughton Church At 11.15am every Sunday. Social distancing and all Risk Assessments have been done there. If you feel you want to worship alongside others as well as the online service at CBB website (and give the address) and are not shielding, you can be sure of a warm welcome.



**For all churches (Belbroughton, Fairfield, Clent, Churchill, Blakedown & Broome)**

There is a weekly online Service video starting at 10 am each Sunday. People can join the Service by going to the "Services for this Sunday" page of the CBB website. Some weeks the service will be led by Canon Sue; others will be led by members of the ALM Team.

The link to the "Online Service for This Sunday", is  
<https://cbbchurches.weebly.com/online-service-for-this-sunday.html>  
and <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCToVq6Co2UxmbzgrvYbzfUg>

We will also worship together with others from Hagley and Clent on Zoom. You are invited to "attend" **Sunday Worship** on Zoom – at **10.30 am** every Sunday.

Join Zoom Meeting

Please visit <http://www.clent-worcs.co.uk/> for the link to this  
Or alternatively, contact Revd Richard Newton to be added to  
His email list for details nearer the time

**Hagley and Clent's churches and private prayer.** St John's is open for private prayer from 2.30 pm to 4.30 pm on Saturdays and St Saviour's from 11.00 am to 12.30 pm on Thursdays under organised and safe conditions. St Leonard's will also now be open each Wednesday morning from 10.30 am until 12.00 noon.

**Hagley and Clent: Public worship.** Following meetings of both Hagley's PCC and Clent's PCC, we have decided that from Sunday 13 September we will hold a said Holy Communion service in one of our three churches each Sunday at 9.30 am, followed by Worship on Zoom at 11.00 am. The first Sunday of the month will alternate, the second Sunday will be in St Saviour's, the third Sunday in St John's, and the fourth Sunday in St Leonard's. This will enable those who wish to come to church to do so, and those who don't wish to do so to continue worshipping on Zoom. This is a first step – and we will review everything as time goes on. Until then, we will continue on Zoom each Sunday at 10.30 am. We will be socially-distanced, we will need to wear face masks, to hand-sanitise on entry, and so on. Names will be taken for track and trace. We will work out a way of distributing Holy Communion (bread only) as safely as possible. Richard

This Weekly pews sheet is available by email; please contact the church office at [bffoffice@btconnect.com](mailto:bffoffice@btconnect.com) to be sent one, or visit our website for the latest news at [www.bfc-worcs.co.uk](http://www.bfc-worcs.co.uk)

This week's Sermon podcast from the Diocese of Worcester can be found here: <https://www.cofe-worcester.org.uk/your-faith/prayer-worship/sermon-podcasts/9-after-trinity.php>

Diocese guidance regarding Coronavirus can be found here: <https://www.cofe-worcester.org.uk/news/2020/03/16/coronavirus-latest-information/>

Church Warden Andrew Yardley has setup a group who are offering intercessions at home during their own prayer times for anyone who needs prayer; please send an email to him at [andrewyardley4@gmail.com](mailto:andrewyardley4@gmail.com) if you would like him to say a prayer for you.

### **Readings next week: Trinity 10**

Isaiah 56.1,6-8; Psalm 67; Romans 11.1-2a,29-32; Matthew 15.(10-20)21-28  
Alternative: Genesis 45.1-15 & Psalm 133

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Please note that telephone messages may not be picked up promptly,  
So we ask that you email in the first instance where possible.

# GIVING TO YOUR CHURCHES

## Sunday Collections – Belbroughton & Fairfield

During the current pandemic, we continue to face many of our usual expenses such as insurance, utilities bills and churchyard maintenance, even though we are unable to use either of our church buildings. Many people give regularly to the church through Standing Orders. Others give through the envelope scheme or cash collection on the plate. Although we try to remain in touch via the computer, we obviously can't take a collection, and we are concerned about what the effect of this reduction in income may be on our parish finances.

If you give by weekly envelope, please save them up and bring them to church when we can all worship together again. Alternatively, you might decide to give by regular standing Order or as a donation. If this is the case, we can accept either electronic bank transfer by computer or a cheque. Please send any cheques to the Church Office. If you can make an electronic bank transfer, the bank account for St Marks and Holy Trinity is HSBC in Stourbridge with a sort code of 40-43-17 and the account number is 91594095. As you may be aware, any amount that you give can be Gift Aided. There is no cost to you and the church receives at 25% rebate from the Government. For every £100 pound we collect, we can claim another £25 from HMRC. Please contact John Penlington for a simple form which you can sign saying you wish to apply Gift Aid to your donation for the past few years and the future. This is, of course, completely confidential and at no cost to you.

## Sunday collections - ST LEONARD'S CHURCH CLENT

Further to my note on giving during the coronavirus restrictions circulated at the end of March, there has been a very positive response – very many thanks on behalf of the PCC to those who have started new giving Standing Orders, increased existing ones or made donations over the last few weeks.

Just a reminder of the bank account details and my contact details if anyone else wishes to start regular giving or make a donation.

Bank:	HSBC
Account:	Clent Parochial Church Council
Sort code:	40-43-17
Account no:	31136593

Please contact me by email or telephone and I will send you a SO form which, if you are a tax payer, will also enable me to claim Gift Aid on your giving.

I look forward to hearing from you and thank you in advance for any help you can give in these unprecedented and challenging times.

Keep safe and stay well.

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## **ST JAMES THE GREAT, BLAKEDOWN**

**During the continuing Coronavirus outbreak, even though Blakedown's church building remains closed it is still possible to donate to the work of Blakedown church online and via your mobile phone**

It is important that everyone continues to give as usual, as the high costs of running the church buildings still have to be paid - Covid 19 may have stopped most things but not those continuing costs unfortunately.



**You can donate to Blakedown church by scanning the above QR code with your mobile phone, or you can simply click on this link to be taken directly to the donation page:  
<https://thy.ng/CUR008645>**

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### **Donate to Blakedown church at give.net**

**Simply click on the link below to be taken to Blakedown church's [give.net](https://www.give.net/20179617) donations page  
<https://www.give.net/20179617>**

### **Donate to Blakedown church by standing order**

**Bank Account number: 0003385202  
Sort Code: 30-98-21**

### **You can donate to Churchill church by standing order**

**Bank account number: 30232351  
Sort Code: 40-43-17**

Free will offering envelopes:

You can continue to donate to both Churchill and Blakedown churches using your Free Will Offering envelopes - please post them through the letterbox of number

69 Belbroughton Road while you're out for your daily exercise.

If you would like to have a set of Free Will Offering envelopes then please call (01562) 700543.

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**All Churches are currently closed  
Due to Government legislation regarding COVID-19**

**Parish Safeguarding Officer**

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**Telephone: 01562 700691**

See noticeboards for The Parish Safeguarding Policy

## Next Year's Bishop Certificate Course

It's time to start thinking about the next Bishop's Certificate. Could this be just what you're looking for to grow your faith?



Because of COVID-19, we're still planning the best way to deliver the Bishop's Certificate Course, and considering whether to plan for mainly online groups, or wait until we can meet (properly socially distanced) for face-to-face group, or perhaps do a mix of both.

However, we are absolutely expecting new courses to start this autumn and winter. If you're considering doing a course, or leading one in your parish, we'd like to hear from you. Drop an email to [training@cofe-worcester.org.uk](mailto:training@cofe-worcester.org.uk) to express your interest as either a participant or a potential parish group leader, and we'll keep in touch about our plans. If you have a preference for online or face-to-face, then let us know that as well.

If you want to learn more about what's involved, then take a look at <https://www.cofe-worcester.org.uk/mission-and-ministry/your-christian-calling/bishops-certificate/>, or [download the course flyer](#), which includes an outline of the course contents.

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