



Stretton Parish

CONTACT

News for weekend beginning Friday 25th June 2021
The Parish of St. Laurence's, Church Stretton with
St. Michael's & All Angels LEP, All Stretton & All Saints, Little Stretton.
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Our verse for the year:

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." Romans 15.13

Services for Sunday 27th June, 4th Sunday after Trinity. Reading: John 7.53-8.11

St. Laurence's	8.00	Holy Communion
	9.30	Morning Prayer
	11.15	Morning Worship
St. Michael's	10.30	Morning Prayer
All Saints	11.00	Morning Prayer
Online Service	10.00	Online via website, or by phone 01694 631066

To allow for distancing, numbers in the churches must be limited at the moment, so please book a seat via the website www.strettonparish.org.uk or by phoning the office on 01694 724224

The mid-week Communion Service is on Wednesday 30th June at 10.30am in St Laurence's.
All three churches are open for private prayer on Wednesdays, All Saints, and St Laurence's from 10am -4pm, St Michael's from 10am-2pm.

Welcoming our new curate,

David Andrews: David is being ordained on Sunday 4th July and we are planning a short service at 4pm that day at St Laurence's to welcome and pray for him. Please do come along to give David a warm welcome. Book in via the link on the homepage of the website or phone Jo in the office to book a seat.



Parish Prayer Meeting: Our next Parish prayer meeting will be on Wednesday 7th July at 8pm on Zoom. To receive the Zoom link for the prayer meeting, please book in via the website.

Children's Groups: During the 11.15am service at St Laurence's, children between the ages of 4 and 11 meet in two bubble groups in the Parish Centre. Parents please bring them before you attend the service and collect them again afterwards. It would be helpful if you can book them in on the website when you book your seat at the service. Thank you.

New sermon series on the Pastoral Principles. The subject of this week's sermon is Fear, based on the reading John 7.53-8.11. Here are some questions to consider at home or in your home group:

1. Who is afraid in this story and why?
2. Whose fears do you identify with in the story?
3. What does this story say about addressing the problem of fear in our churches?
4. Think ahead to some of the encounters you will have over the coming week.
 - Is there one you are nervous about?
 - What might you do to change that dynamic?

After the encounter, reflect on what happened, what you learned and what you might do differently next time.

Services in August : With many visitors expected to The Strettons in the summer, our plans are underway for our Summer Festival outdoor services, to which we hope to welcome visitors to our Parish and 'make Jesus known' in an engaging way.

- Sunday 1st August - an outdoor morning service in Russell's Meadow, with music as the theme;
- Sunday 15th August - an afternoon service in St Laurence's churchyard, with participatory activities;
- Sunday 29th August - a Messy Church type service for all ages in the grounds of All Saints.



On these three Sundays the focus of our worship & ministry across the Parish will be on these outdoor services, which together with clergy taking holiday, means there are changes to our in-church services in August.

On the three Sundays with outdoor services - which are for all our congregations as well as visitors - our normal services at all three churches will be suspended apart from the 8am Communion service at St Laurence's.

On the other two Sundays in August, 8th and 22nd, there will be the normal services at St Michael's and All Saints, but at St Laurence's there will be the 8am Communion and a combined service at 10am.

In addition, each Sunday in August there will be an online service, and the mid-week communion service at St Laurence's will continue throughout August.

St Laurence's Maintenance Work-Party A team will meet at **9:30am on Saturday 3rd July** to carry out routine maintenance tasks at St Laurence's church and churchyard. Past and new volunteers are welcome to the team - no experience necessary, though any expertise very welcome. If you are able to help for a couple of hours please contact marion.shuttleworth@strettonparish.org.uk



Strong set-up helpers needed for Parents & Toddlers: Could you offer to help put out the toys on a Thursday morning at 8.30am and clear away again at 11.45am on a rota basis? Please speak to Sarah if you can offer. Thank you.



We are planning a **Parish Day at Home** on Saturday 16th October, which we hope will be a really special day that many of you will be able to attend. A day for all the family, including talks, Bible study, worship and workshops—as well as time for food and fellowship! We are just finalising the programme, so please do put the date in your diary and look out for more details in due course.

For our prayers:

Ian McCalla: We have heard from Ian's daughter that Ian passed away on 10th June. Ian and Valerie were members of St Laurence's church for many years and after Valerie passed away Ian moved to be near family. Ian's funeral is taking place on 1st July. If you would like to view the live-stream please contact Jo to get the details.

Eileen Beswick wishes to thank all those who sent messages, thoughts and prayers for her, at the sad loss of John. She felt tremendous support from them.

We pray for those who are sick or are unable to leave their homes: Margot, Barbara, Paul, David, Trevor, Anne, Ewan, Rosemary, Eileen, Jeannie, Margaret, Margaret, Doreen, Sue, Di, Lena, Roger, Ray, Brian, Dorothy and Laura.

Please pray for our new curate, David Andrews, as he moves to Church Stretton.

Residential Homes: We pray for all our nursing homes, this week particularly remembering Stretton Hall Nursing Home.

Prayer Chain: Prayer requests for the prayer chain should be sent to Jo at office@strettonparish.org.uk. In order to ensure that we comply with General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) we need to be sure that we have the individual's permission to share details via email as this information is emailed to a group of people who will pray for that particular issue. Only a Christian name should be used and very minimal details – it is not appropriate to share detailed medical information in this way. This is a really great way to actively pray for others in need and if you would like to join this chain please email Jo as detailed above.

Services for Sunday 4th July, 5th Sunday after Trinity. Reading: 2 Corinthians 12.2-10

St. Laurence's	8.00	Holy Communion
	9.30	Morning Prayer
	11.15	All Age Worship
	4.00	Welcome service for David Andrews
St. Michael's	10.30	Morning Prayer
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Rector's Day Off	Fridays	Church office hours: 9am-12.30pm Monday to Friday	