

Who's Who

You would be most welcome to join us at any of our services or groups. For further information please contact one of the following:

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Friday Club

Claire Mason	01608 650063
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Big Fish/The Bridge

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(Teenagers)

Women's Bible Study

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Mothers' Union

Mary Newsom	01608 652263
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Mums and Tots

Claire Mason	01608 650063
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Men's Work

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All enquiries about weddings and baptisms should be made to the Church Office (01608 652359).

Autumn in the Benefice

Welcome to the benefice of the Moreton Vale. We sincerely hope that you will find something in the programme to interest you at whatever stage you are in your spiritual life. There are a number of things to look out for in our Autumn Programme.

First we have three special visitors joining us in the evening services. On October 28th the **Archdeacon of Cheltenham**, Phil Andrew will be preaching at a service where we will be officially commissioning Ian Bentley as our Associate Minister. Then on November 11th, the **Bishop of Tewkesbury**, Robert Springett will be leading a **Confirmation Service** - those wishing to be confirmed, please let one of the staff know as soon as possible. The following week, again at the evening service, we are welcoming **David Gray**, who is a Bible translator, as our main speaker.

For our main services in the morning we will be focussing on the book of **Ruth**, in the early weeks, then on Paul's **First Letter to the Thessalonians**. This is the book that many of the home groups will also be studying so hopefully it will help our understanding of Paul's message. We will also occasionally be taking a week off to look at some of the **Big Questions** we face as Christians - such as why we believe God exists, why we believe the Bible, and why God allows suffering.

On September 30th we are designating as a special **Guest Weekend**, with both morning and evenings especially appropriate for those who do not normally come. We also have a number of services when it will be especially appropriate to invite friends - maybe the **Big Questions**, the **Harvest** services, or **Christmas**. And there will, of course, be a particular focus on **Remembrance** this year, being the centenary of the Armistice of 1918.

All in all, a busy term. Come and join us, and bring friends along as well.

Stephen Wookey



Autumn 2018

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St David's, Moreton

8 am Holy Communion (1662)
 9:30 am Sundays@9:30 (with Sunday Club)
 11 am Sundays@11
 6 pm Sundays@6

Sundays@9:30 and Sundays@11

Sept 2	Eph 1:15-23	God's Desire
Joint at 10:30 am		
Sept 9	Big Questions	Does God exist?
Sept 16	Ruth 1	Returning to God
Sept 23	Ruth 2	The God who protects
Sept 30 (Guest weekend)	Big Questions	Is Jesus the only way to God?
Oct 7 (Harvest)	Ruth 3	The God who provides
Oct 14	Ruth 4	The God who redeems
Oct 21	Big Questions	Why believe the Bible?
Oct 28	The Gospel and the Church (1Thess)	
	1Thess 1:1-10	The Gospel spreads
Nov 4	1Thess 2:1-12	Approved Ministry
Nov 11 (Remembrance)	Big Questions	Why would a good God allow wars and suffering?
Nov 18	1Thess 2:13-20	Receiving the Word
Nov 25	1Thess 3:1-13	The Pastor's Heart
Dec 2	1Thess 4:1-12	Living the Gospel
Dec 9	1Thess 4:13-18	The Gospel Hope
Dec 16	1Thess 5:1-11	Living in the Light
Dec 23	1Thess 5:12-28	The Gospel Church
Dec 30	Matthew 2: 1-12	The First Visitors

Sunday Club and Big Fish for 3-14s meet every Sunday at 9:30 am, except during the Family Service.

A **crèche** called **Mini-Scramblers** meets every Sunday at 9:30 am for children up to 3.

Sundays@Six

God is King (Isaiah)

Sept 2	Isaiah 1:1-20	The King's desire
Sept 9	Isaiah 6:1-13	The King's holiness
Sept 16	Isaiah 24:1-16a	The King's wrath
Sept 23	Isaiah 35:1-10	The King's Promise
Sept 30 (Guest weekend)	Case for Christ film	
Oct 7	Isaiah 37:1-20	The King's trustworthiness
Oct 14	Isaiah 40:1-11	The King's gospel
Oct 21	Isaiah 42:1-9	The King's servant
Oct 28	(Ian Bentley's commission)	With the Archdeacon of Cheltenham
Nov 4	Isaiah 55:1-8	The King's banquet
Nov 11	Confirmation	With the Bishop of Tewkesbury
Nov 18	World Mission	With David Gray
Nov 25	Isaiah 56:1-8	The King's justice
Dec 2	Isaiah 65:17-25	The King's city
Dec 9	Isaiah 66:12-24	The King's mission
Dec 16	Carol Service	
Dec 23	No Evening Service	
Dec 30	No Evening Service	

Verse for the Year

**"For we do not preach ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake."
 2 Corinthians 4: 5**

Special Services

St David's

Oct 7	9:30 & 11 am	Harvest Service
Nov 11	9:30 am	Remembrance Service
Dec 16	7 pm	Carol Service
Dec 24	4 & 6 pm	Family Candlelit Services
	11 pm	Midnight Communion
Dec 25	8:30 am	Holy Communion (1662)
	11 am	Christmas Worship (optional communion)

St James's, Longborough

1st Sunday	10 am	Morning Service
4th Sunday	10 am	Holy Communion
Sept 29	6 pm	Harvest Service (followed by Supper)
Nov 11	10 am	Service of Remembrance (followed by Act of Remembrance)
Dec 16	5 pm	Carol Service
Dec 24	5 pm	Crib Service
Dec 25	9:30 am	Family Christmas Communion

St Mary's, Batsford

1st & 3rd Sunday	9:30 am	Holy Communion (1662)
Oct 7	6 pm	Harvest Festival
Dec 16	6 pm	Carol Service
Dec 25	9:30 am	Christmas Communion

St Thomas à Becket's, Todenham

4th Sunday	9:30 am	Holy Communion (1662)
Sep 23	9:30 am	Harvest Service
Oct 21	9:30 am	Holy Communion
Nov 11	10:45 am	Remembrance Service
Dec 24	6:30 pm	Carol Service
Dec 25	9:30 am	Christmas Communion

St Leonard's, Lower Lemington

Oct 21	3 pm	Harvest Festival
Dec 14	7:30 pm	Carol Service