

Topics for Churches Together in Malvern Praying Together

Week
starting:

- 1-Jan **Lyttelton Well**
Trustees & office staff; the Revd Jeff Saunders, Chaplain. All who help in the office, bookshop, kitchen, and coffee shop as volunteers or staff; those involved in the counselling service; all who call in seeking spiritual or physical refreshment, or resources. That the Well be an effective Christian witness in Great Malvern and that Christians across Malvern use it.
- 8-Jan **St Andrew's Church, Poolbrook, in the Chase Team**
The Revds Dave Bruce and Helen Attree (Children and Families Minister), as well as the wider leadership. Pray that we would continue to encounter God in our worship, grow as whole life disciples and partner with God in seeing our communities flourish. Pray particularly for our ministry at the Octagon and for provision for our Youth ministry.
- 15-Jan **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (18th to 25th January)**
The Zoom prayer meetings each evening during Unity Week. The work of Churches Together in Britain and Ireland and of Churches Together in England; Churches Together in Malvern - for its officers and for a greater understanding of each other and a deeper commitment amongst its member churches "to be one"..
- 22-Jan **Holy Trinity Church, North Malvern**
The Revd Becky Elliott with Revd Sylvia Coke-Woods, Revd Eric Knowles, and Revd Clare Griffiths. Opportunities to engage with those in the community through our Babies and Toddler Group, our weekly coffee morning, our monthly lunches and our new monthly Saturday afternoon service. The Churches Together Service for Unity at Malvern Baptist Church at 4pm this afternoon. With Holocaust Memorial Day on Friday victims of all genocide, past and present, and a greater willingness to stand up against prejudice and racism.
- 29-Jan **The Media**
Our local newspapers and radio stations; reporters, presenters and editors; church newsletter/magazine editors and distributors, notice secretaries.
- 5-Feb **Somers Park Avenue Methodist Church**
The Revd Nigel Coke-Woods; Anne Rich, Lay Pastoral Support Worker. Mission and outreach through Messy Church. Warm Welcome Space. The Ladies Fellowship. Somers Park Primary School.
- 12-Feb **The Baptist Church, Abbey Road**
Pastor Dave Clarke, Community Outreach, Bible Teaching, Home groups, Junior Church, Wednesday Coffee Stop, Men's Breakfasts, Women's Brunches, Christianity Explored, the 1st Malvern Boys' Brigade and 7th Malvern Girls' Brigade, Craft Club, Walking Group, Overseas Mission support. Meeting of Churches Together at St Matthias on Wednesday
- 19-Feb **Malvern Quaker Meeting, Orchard Road**
Today being Church Action on Poverty Sunday, Malvern Christians Against Poverty and the Malvern Hills Food Bank. With Fairtrade Fortnight starting tomorrow, all those businesses and organisations promoting fairly traded goods.
- 26-Feb **Life Church Malvern**
The opportunity to gain fresh vision and leadership, and to build new relationships in preparation for a new church plant, in conjunction with Hope Church, Worcester, which will continue the objective of seeing God's kingdom extended in Malvern. The World Day of Prayer services on Friday.
- 5-Mar **St Mary's Church, Pickersleigh, in the Chase Team**
Churchwarden and the Authorised Lay Ministers, the mission to the community through Refresh Community Cafe and the Community Fridge.

- 12-Mar **St Joseph's Church, Newtown Road**
Fr Naz. The One World Group, with their support in Guyana, Bolivia and India; links with Tanzania through the church school; the weekly Gospel Share, Adoration, the Thursday Group, Youth Group and St Joseph's Primary School.
- 19-Mar **Eden Church, Grovewood Road**
Reverend Mike Dibbens, the SLT as the church grows leaders and expands outreach. That it would experience and give away the manifestation of God's love, practically, emotionally and in signs and wonders.
- 26-Mar **St Mary's Church, Guarlford**
The Revd Gary Crellin (Vicar) and the lay ministry team across the Old Hills Malvern Churches Benefice; that the new Church Leadership team – made up of Church and Village takes forward the church in the village, replacing the old and tired order, and deepens links with the village it serves. The Benefice's link with Morogoro Diocese in Tanzania.
- 2-Apr **Malvern Link with Cowleigh Parish, (St Matthias, St Peter's and Ascension Churches)**
The Revd Phillip Johnson (Vicar), The Revd James Williams (Asst Curate), Sarah Maxfield-Phillips (Arts & Community), Vanessa Everitt (Schools Chaplain), Es Hoyle (Dementia Centre Leader) and Susan Maxfield-Phillips (Operations) and all lay and clergy leaders. The Dementia Meeting Centre and the Community Fridge. The parish's work in its schools – St Matthias, Somers Park, The Vale, Northleigh and Dyson Perrins.
- 9-Apr **The Day of Resurrection**
- 16-Apr **Malvern Evangelical Church, Pickersleigh Road**
Wisdom and guidance for the Elders as they seek to appoint a new minister; blessing on the church and the local community as they seek to serve in the Pickersleigh area and share the Good news; for Coffee and Chat, the Rainbow Club toddler group, the Warm Space and the various groups which meet in the church.
- 23-Apr **Uniformed Organisations**
Scouts, Cubs, Beavers, Guides, Brownies, Rainbows, members of the Boys and Girls Brigades; Red Cross; St John's Ambulance Cadets; Army Cadets; Sea Cadets; Air Cadets; their leaders
- 30-Apr **The District, Town and Parish Councils of the Malverns; Worcestershire County Council; The Malvern Hills Trust**
The District, Town and Parish Council elections on Thursday. Councillors, employees; those involved in provision of refuse and other environmental services.
- 7-May **Hotels, Guest Houses**
all involved in the tourist trade of our town; the Tourist Information Centre. Three Counties Agricultural Showground; visitors to the area.
- 14-May **Christian Aid Week**
Denominational, inter-denominational and other organisations providing relief and development in the poorest countries of the world such as Care International, Christian Aid, Tearfund and Oxfam
- 21-May **Upper Welland Methodist Church**
The Revd Nigel Coke-Woods; Anne Rich, Lay Pastoral Support Worker. A community working together in mission. Use of the premises by small groups and church fellowships.
- 28-May **Malvern United Reformed Church**
The Revd Ken Martin. This new congregation formed from Holly Mount and Malvern Link URCs worshipping in Malvern Link. The Elders; Coffee Mornings.

- 4-Jun **Local campaigning groups**
 Tomorrow being World Environment Day, for churches and congregations to have an increasing awareness of, and desire to take action for, environmental issues and initiatives to limit the adverse impact of human activity on the climate and the earth. Transition Malvern Hills.
- 11-Jun **St James' Church, West Malvern**
 The Revd Becky Elliott. The Revd Nicholas Menon and the Revd Rosemary Herbert. St James' C of E Primary School, and their link with the church. Work with our Mission Accompanist, Alice Ward and the Mustard Seed Group. The whole community of West Malvern.
- 18-Jun **Great Malvern Priory**
 The Revd Rod Corke, retired and associated clergy, lay ministers. volunteers and staff; Malvern College and Malvern Parish School; for the Priory welcome ministry to tourists, pilgrims and visitors from far and wide; for the Priory Development Plan to continue to progress to enable the Priory to have more up to date facilities and thereby widen and enhance our community connections and missional outreach. Lifepath this week.
- 25-Jun **Malvern Welcomes**
 Its work supporting refugee families in the town. Following World Refugee Week last week, all refugees, asylum seekers and immigrants; those who work in the immigration system.
- 2-Jul **St James' Church, Callow End**
 The Revd Gary Crellin and the lay ministry team across the Old Hills Malvern Benefice; links with the village, Callow End C of E School and Severn Heights NH. Our reordering plans for the church featuring a new entrance. AGM of Churches Together in Malvern on Wednesday
- 9-Jul **Residential, rest and nursing homes, hospices.**
 Residents, staff; all who provide day care to people in their own homes and in day care centres. Acorns Children's, St Richard's and St Michael's Hospices.
- 16-Jul **Little Malvern Priory**
 The Revd. Stephen Sealy. Links with the Agricultural and Rural Life Chaplaincy, and the Farming Community Network. Outreach to walkers and cyclists and others who visit this ancient church. Pray for the development of a 'Benedictine Trail' to encourage visitors on their spiritual journeys.
- 23-Jul **The Longdon Benefice of 4 Churches**
 The Revd Chris Moss. Dr Michael Harper, reader. Castlemorton CE Primary School, Bredon School;
- 30-Jul **Commercial and Industrial Businesses**
 Factory, office and shop workers; those who work from home; the self-employed and those with no employment; the local Job-centre.
- 6-Aug **St Leonard's Church and the Beauchamp Community Newland**
 Fr Iain Forbes (Chaplain); Richard Coddington (Warden) and members of the Beauchamp Community
- 13-Aug **Sporting and recreational facilities**
 Manor Park, the Splash, health and fitness suites, sports halls, football, rugby and cricket pitches, the golf club; sports coaches, facility administrators and maintenance staff
- 20-Aug **St Peter's Church, Powick**
 The Revd Gary Crellin and the lay ministry team across the Old Hills Malvern Benefice; our links with Powick C of E School. To discern a future mission and role for this large church building with a small congregation in a large/disparate village and to seek help to make this vision a reality.

- 27-Aug **All Saints, Wells and Wyche, in the Chase Team**
The Revds Dave Bruce, Paul Hunt and Geoff Vevers, Helen Attree (Children & Families Minister), Jacqui Green and Peter Buchanan (Lay readers). Pray for our outreach to our local church schools – the Wyche and Malvern Wells, for Messy Church and Toddlers groups to build relationships and faith with families in our community.
- 3-Sep **Lansdowne Crescent Methodist Church**
The Revd Nigel Coke-Woods; Anne Rich, Lay Pastoral Support Worker. Café Worship. House Groups, Tuesday Afternoon Fellowship. Ministry to local Care Homes. Mission and outreach to the community within and beyond the church building.
- 10-Sep **Local primary and secondary schools, both maintained and independent.**
At the start of the academic year, pupils, teachers & other staff; PTAs; Governors; Malvern Schools' Prayer Support Group; pre-school groups
- 17-Sep **Malvern Churches Justice & Peace Group**
With the International Day of Peace (World Peace Day) on Thursday, the cessation of conflict across the world.
- 24-Sep **Malvern Community Hospital**
Staff and patients. The Revd Jenny Kimble, the Chaplain. The Friends.
- 1-Oct **Beacon Elim Church**
Pastor Dan Bennett & Pastor Trudi Smyth. We're one Church family and we meet in Cowleigh Road and Link Top. We want to thank God for His leading over the last twelve months and now, as we look to become more missional, we're praying for opportunities to connect with people who don't yet know Jesus.
- 8-Oct **Prisons Week**
At the start of Prisons Week, local prisons, prisoners and their families, prison chaplains, prison visitors, victims of crime, all those working in the judicial system.
- 15-Oct **Salvation Army, Newtown Road**
Captain Claire Mynott. Outreach to the community through our work with mothers and toddlers, Malvern community choir and coffee, cake and chat. The Malvern Maggs Day Centre which operates every Tuesday and Friday from our premises.
- 22-Oct **Voluntary Organisations of our town**
Community Action, Citizens Advice; Age UK, Home-Start, Foodbank, Positive Thoughts (formerly Malvern MIND), Malvern Special Families, Christians Against Poverty Malvern, Malvern Against Homelessness, Maggs Malvern Day Centre ...
- 29-Oct **The Bible Society**
The local Action Group, its Secretary, Heather Williamson. The inter-denominational 'Open The Book' initiative into Primary Schools. Also, the work of The Gideons International.
- 5-Nov **Cultural and leisure life of Malvern**
Malvern Theatres, Coach House Theatre, the Cube, drama groups, choirs, U3A, ...
- 12-Nov **Global Education Week**
The call for everybody to be global citizens, contributing to a more sustainable and equitable world. Beacons Development Education Centre.
- 19-Nov **Christ Church, Avenue Road**
The opportunities for outreach through the regular Book Fairs. The developing links with Malvern Parish School and Malvern St James School. Cultural outreach through music and the arts; link with Malvern Civic Week.
- 26-Nov **St Wulstan's Church, Little Malvern**
Fr. Edward. The emergency services - police, fire brigade and ambulance staff. With World Aids Day on Friday all those suffering from HIV/AIDS, those who treat them and those researching a cure

- 3-Dec **Medical and dental surgeries**
Doctors, dentists, nurses, surgery reception staff; district nurses, midwives, health visitors.
- 10-Dec **St Mary's Church, Madresfield with Newland**
The Revd Gary Crellin and the lay ministry team across the Old Hills Malvern Benefice; The ministry and in reach to our three Church schools in the Benefice by The *Open the Book* Teams; our links with The Early Years Centre & Madresfield C of E School. Our plans for a new WC and catering point within our church. For the *Walk of Wonder* nativity and Christmas Tree trail proposed for Christmas across Madresfield.
- 17-Dec **Anna Chaplaincy**
Eileen Tomlin.
- 24-Dec **Children and Families**
Children and families in special need, and those who care for them, foster carers, social workers. The Sunshine Children's Centre; Women's Refuges; the local foster care agencies
- 31-Dec **Our own congregation**
lay leaders, church council/leaders meeting; those responsible for pastoral matters, evangelism, finance, property; all those who clean and manage the premises; choir, music groups and organists; flower arrangers ...