

Abberton, Bishampton, Flyford Flavell, Grafton Flyford,
Naunton Beauchamp, North Piddle, Throckmorton



The Flyfords Flyer
The Flyfords Family of Churches News

16th August 2020 - The 10th Sunday After Trinity

Dear Friends,

A lot of people have recently been talking about pressing the re-set button as we try to make sense of getting on with our lives after a traumatic few months. We are being called to live with a situation that may be around for some time, even when a vaccine is found, which may be quite soon now. Re-setting, new opportunities, a fresh approach to how we actually live our lives- clearly, acres of print have been produced on all that, which is good, but we must not forget that God is dealing with us, too, and the biggest 're-set' that any of us in this life can do is to make sure that our relationship with God is right.

Please be assured of my ongoing prayers for you all, and I look forward to the day (very soon, I hope), when we can meet again together to worship God in spirit and in truth.

As you know, we shall continue to distribute service sheets for the time being, until things begin to settle down again. The good news is that we are beginning at last to experiment with having short services in some of our churches on a Sunday morning, so please keep a watch on these pages for updates.

If you would like a call from me during the week, please do let Caroline know, or you can call me direct on the Rectory number.

Gary

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LATEST CORONAVIRUS ADVICE

As we begin to come out of lockdown, keep up to date with the Church of England's latest advice at:

www.churchofengland.org/coronavirus

Anyone is welcome to - [sign up on the diocesan website](#).
Where interesting and varied information is available.
[Please follow the above link to enter your details](#)

HERE 2 HELP WORCESTERSHIRE COVID-19: Five steps to look after yourself and others



Take care of yourself and stay healthy

- One of the best ways to protect others is to protect yourself.
- Wash your hands regularly and thoroughly with soap and water for 20 seconds and dry thoroughly.
- Isolate yourself from others as much as possible. Stay away from places where people gather, like bars, clubs and cinemas.



Call, chat, check

- Swap phone numbers with your immediate neighbours.
- Check on your neighbours and loved ones, particularly if they are elderly or vulnerable.
- Help to provide them with food and other essential supplies if you can.
- Alert relevant organisations if you are concerned about the wellbeing of others.



Be kind. Think of others

- Please shop considerately. Don't bulk-buy essential items like toilet paper, long-life foods or baby supplies.
- Use local community social media groups to share information and advice.
- If you have surplus supplies of essential items, consider offering them to people in need.
- Avoid wasting food – you could even sow fast growing seeds like cress or lettuce.



Get online to stay in touch

- Being in self-isolation doesn't mean cutting yourself off from others.
- Consider using methods like video calling on your phone or computer to speak to friends and loved ones.
- For those who are not online, a telephone call is the ideal way to stay connected.



Share accurate advice and information

- We live in a world of rumour and misinformation – make sure you're accessing and sharing accurate news.
- Use reputable and verified news sources – if you hear something that doesn't sound right, do some research on websites you trust.
- Our website is being updated regularly with all the latest news about the ongoing situation.

We regret to announce the death of Canon Chris Clarke who was very helpful over the last few years during his retirement ministry in assisting in the Benefices of the Flyfords and Bowland.

He will be very much missed and our thoughts are with his family as they plan the funeral which will be announced in due course.

If you have anything you would like to mention in this space, whether it's a notice, a favourite recipe, a poem or something else, then please get in touch with our administrator by phone or email.

Ride and Stride 2020

The Annual Ride and Stride event will be taking place this year on 12th September despite current circumstances. It will be slightly different this year however. Please look for details on the Ride and Stride website <https://ridestride.org/> St. John the Baptist at Grafton Flyford have announced that they will be open for this event.

Pershore Volunteer Centre

The Centre provides transport to hospital and medical appointments and it covers all our villages. If you need transport or are willing to provide transport for others please ring 01386 554299 or email transport@pershorevolunters.org.uk

On behalf of the Foodbanks
Please do remember the Food Banks. Donations to both the Worcester and Pershore Food Banks can be done online. More information on the websites.

If it's a friendly chat you want...
If you are alone or isolated and just want a friendly chat, please contact our Administrator Caroline Ward in the first instance. We can then put you in touch with someone local who will help.

Forthcoming Services

Some local churches are now open for private prayer including St. John the Baptist, Grafton Flyford which will be open **each Sunday in August between 10.00 am and 12.00 noon following Government guidelines.**

Services will resume at Grafton Flyford in September with the first service being on the 20th September 2020 at 6pm

St. Peter's, Flyford Flavell is opening for Private Prayer **this Sunday, 16th August between 10am and 11am**

We will be bringing you further news on other churches and any forthcoming services as soon as we are able.

WEEKLY SHORT SERVICES

Gary will be continuing to issue a Weekly Short Service sheet.

If you would like to receive a copy, then please contact our administrator who will add your name to the distribution list.

If you know of anyone who would like to receive a copy but does not have access to a computer, then please get in touch and we will link them to someone in their area who will be able to help.



A free phonenumber of hymns,
reflections and prayers

The Archbishop of Canterbury has launched a free national phone line as a simple new way to bring worship and prayer into people's homes while church buildings are closed because of the coronavirus pandemic.

Daily Hope, offers music, prayers and reflections as well as full worship services from the Church of England, available 24 hours a day on **0800 804 8044**. Please pass on details to anyone who might value this service.

From the Bowland Benefice

We are now able, after completing detailed risk assessments and putting stringent safety measures in place, to open for private prayer and simple services as follows:

**St Nicholas Peopleton is open for private prayer
from 11.00am to 12.00noon every Sunday morning.**

23rd August – Short Service 11.00am

Please do contact the Church Wardens Shirley Clay (01905 841991) or Sue Dunne (01905 840037) for further information.

St Kenelm's Upton Snodsbury is open every Sunday from 10.30am to 11.30am.

23rd August – Short Service at 10.30am

6th September – Short Service at 10.30am

20th September – Short Service at 10.30am

27th September – Holy Communion at 10.30am

Please do contact the Church Warden Helen Bennett (01905 381490) for further information.

**St John the Baptist Church White Ladies Aston is open
from 9.30am to 11.00am every Sunday morning.**

16th August – Short Service at 11.00am

Please do contact Church Wardens Heather Lewis (01905 345731) or Alan Brodrick (01905 345357) for further information.

St Leonard, Broughton Hackett is open every day from 9.00am to 4.00pm approximately

For your safety and the health of others, please do follow the instructions provided in each church.

This will include recording your visit, using hand sanitisers and social distancing.

If you have any queries or suggestions for good ideas at this time, please contact our administrator on the number below.

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