For Your Prayers This Month:



Heavenly Father, we come boldly to your throne of grace, trusting that we will receive mercy and grace to help us in our time of need. (Hebrews 4: 16) **Amen**

- We continue to lift the concerns of our Ukrainian friends to you.
- We ask for your hand to be upon the selection of a new rector for this benefice, and the vacancies in the Alcester Deanery.
- We ask that teachers and children be kept safe and enjoy good rest during the school holidays. We pray especially for those in Year 6 leaving primary schools.
- We pray for the best outcome from the general election.
- We lift to you all those recently bereaved: Jane who has had a bad fall, and Brian Brasenell's family.
- We lift Tabitha and family to you and ask for your love and peace to surround them.
- We thank you, Father, that Mark Shaddick is making good progress, and for the skill of the doctors looking after him. We ask that you keep Wendy and family safe.
- Thank you, Lord, that Eloise-Zoe has reached her fifth birthday and enjoyed her party with friends. We pray for timely confirmation of her school place and that there is miraculous healing for her brain. We pray against infections and seizures.
- We pray for Glen, that he will soon receive a specialist appointment, and for Rhiannon who is waiting to see a Birmingham specialist.
- We continue to pray for better health for: Elaine; Alex Waring; Terry Singlehurst; Alan (Margaret Kibblewhite's son); Joanna Travers; Beth who is waiting for appointments with neurology CBT in Oxford and specialised physiotherapy; Sue Lawrence (Evesham); Christopher Snelson (Penny Prewer's brother); Pauline (Debbie's sister); Doreen.
- We pray for treatment for Karl and Peter Dixon.
- And for peace and stability for Jack and for all Julie's family.

Loving Heavenly Father, we lift to you friends and family of those mentioned above, who may be anxious about their loved ones.

For inclusion in the Prayer List, please direct your requests to Denise Andreo: Call: 07791 347651 or email: deniseandreo@gmail.com

Weekly Prayer Meeting:

Please join us for our short, informal weekly prayer meeting at St Matthew's Church. 9:30am every Tuesday in the Church Room.

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What's on in July?

Tuesday 2nd July, from 2pm

Mother's Union are hosting a garden party at Val Bates' house . All welcome. Contact Caroline Leahy on 07811244269 for more details.





Saturday 6th July

Coffee Connect at St Matthew's Church. Enjoy refreshments and cakes with friends.

COMING SOON...

Summer holiday activities.

Bell boating, clay birds, outdoor nature & crafts, and Boogie Bounce. Keep an eye on the St Matthew's Church website & Facebook page! Booking ESSENTIAL.

Wednesday 14th August

Messy Church at St Laurence's Church, Bidford.

No need to book. FREE entry (donations welcome),
For more info, email c.leahy@yahoo.co.uk

Saturday 14th September

St Matthew's Church Family Fun Day!



You can find information on our services for July inside this sheet and online: heartparishes.org.uk | stmatthewssalfordpriors.org.uk

If you are visiting us today or are here for the first time, we hope you have felt welcomed and have enjoyed worshipping here.

Do please introduce yourself to someone after the service.



Worshipping God Making New Disciples Transforming Communities



July Services across the Benefice

7th July 2024: The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

8.45am Holy Communion Salford Priors
10.30am Café Church Bidford
10.30am Family Service Salford Priors
6.30pm Evensong Exhall

1st Reading: 2 Samuel 5:1-5 2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 12:2-10 Gospel Reading: Mark 6:1-13

Collect

Creator God, you made us all in your image: may we discern you in all that we see, and serve you in all that we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion Prayer

God of our pilgrimage, you have led us to the living water: refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

14th July 2024: The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

8.00am	Holy Communion	Temple Graftor
10.00am	Holy Communion	Bidford
10.30am	Holy Communion & Muddy Church	Salford Priors
10.30am	Village Praise	Binton
5.00pm	'Breathing Space'	Salford Priors

1st Reading: Amos 7:7-15 2nd Reading: Ephesians 1:3-14 Gospel Reading: Mark 6:14-29

Collect

Generous God, you give us gifts and make them grow: though our faith is small as mustard seed, make it grow to your glory and the flourishing of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Amen

Post Communion Prayer

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life, ever giving himself that the world may live: may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion that, in his saving cup, we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

21st July 2024: The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion Exhall
10.00am Holy Communion Bidford
10.30am Family Service Salford Priors

1st Reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6 2nd Reading: Ephesians 2:11-end Gospel Reading: Mark 6:30-34, 53-end

Collect

Lord God, your Son left the riches of heaven and became poor for our sake: when we prosper save us from pride, when we are needy save us from despair, that we may trust in you along:

that we may trust in you alone; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Post Communion Prayer

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things; may the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute; may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit; may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love shine with the light of hope; and may the bodies which have been fed with your body be refreshed with the fullness of your life; glory to you for ever.

Amen

28th July 2024: The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

8.00am	Holy Communion	Wixford
10.00am	Holy Communion	Bidford
10.30am	Café Church (Holy Communion)	Salford Priors
11.00am	Village Praise	Exhall
6.30pm	Compline	Wixford

1st Reading: 2 Kings 4:42-end 2nd Reading: Ephesians 3:14-end Gospel Reading: John 6:1-21

Collect

Gracious Father, revive your Church in our day, and make her holy, strong and faithful, for your glory's sake in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Post Communion Prayer

Holy Father, who gathered us here around the table of your Son to share this meal with the whole household of God: in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace, gather people of every race and language to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord.

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