



Worcester Cathedral

Sunday News

2 AUGUST 2020

8TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

TODAY'S SERVICE

10.30 am **Said Eucharist**

The readings for this service can be found at the end of this notice sheet.

Please note that this service is live-streamed through our Facebook page and the camera angle includes images of those receiving communion.

THIS WEEK'S SERVICES

Wednesday 1 pm Holy Communion

Friday 11.30 am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)

ONLINE SERVICES

A daily celebration of the Eucharist is live-streamed through the cathedral Facebook page on Sundays at 10.30 am and Monday to Saturday at 8.30 am. It is also available on the diocesan website.

NEW WORSHIPPERS

are especially welcome and are invited to contact Canon Stephen Edwards who will be in touch with a welcome booklet.

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FACE COVERINGS

Please note that under Church of England advice, worshippers and visitors are 'strongly advised' to wear face coverings in the cathedral.

TRACK AND TRACE SYSTEM

In accordance with government and Church of England advice, there is a voluntary 'track and trace' arrangement for our eucharists on Sundays at 10.30 am, Wednesdays at 1 pm and Fridays at 11.30 am. You are invited, if you wish, to register your attendance at services by emailing attendance@worcestercathedral.org.uk making clear for which service you are registering attendance. You are able to register attendance either before or after the service, and you need to register for each service that you attend. On Sundays it is also possible to register your attendance by speaking to the designated steward on the inside of the door to the cathedral. We will supply the attendance information to relevant authorities if it is requested, and you will not otherwise be contacted. We will not use the attendance information for any other purpose, and the emails and attendance lists will be deleted after three weeks.

PARKING

Parking spaces are available on College Green on Sunday mornings and a member of staff will be present to lower the bollard for you as you enter. Please try to avoid parking on College Yard as the area is used for conversation by the congregation after the service.

WORSHIP RESOURCES FOR FAMILIES

For ideas and resources to help you share your faith with your family at home, take a look at the Children's Work section on the diocesan website.

FARM WORK WELFARE APP

Every year, hundreds of migrant workers get placed in UK fields against their will and exploited by ruthless criminal gangs. The Clewer Initiative has developed the Farm Work Welfare App, designed to support both farmers and pickers and tackle labour abuse and modern slavery in the farming, horticulture and food production sector. The app is available from Google Play or from www.theclewerinitiative.org

YOUR GIFT TO THE CATHEDRAL

will support the cathedral's ministry and mission and help to keep the building in good repair and open to all without charge. UK tax-payers are kindly asked to use gift-aid envelopes, completing the front, which increases donations by 25%. Donations may also be made via the contactless points in the cathedral. If you wish to give regularly, please use the form in the welcome booklet available from the stewards or vergers, or speak with Gerald Harris of the stewardship committee.

PRAYERS & INTERCESSIONS

The Prayer Diary can be found on the diocesan website:

www.cofe-worcester.org.uk

Please pray for the departed, among them Colin Cook, Peter Young, Terry Johnson, and Ben Hagon.

CATHEDRAL WEBSITE

Visit the cathedral website to sign up for our newsletter, to make a donation, or to find out more about Worcester Cathedral: www.worcestercathedral.co.uk



Readings for Sunday 2nd August

FIRST READING Isaiah 55.1–5

The LORD says this:

1 Everyone who thirsts,

come to the waters;

and you that have no money,

come, buy and eat!

Come, buy wine and milk

without money and without price.

2 Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,

and your labour for that which does not satisfy?

Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,

and delight yourselves in rich food.

3 Incline your ear, and come to me;

listen, so that you may live.

I will make with you an everlasting covenant,

my steadfast, sure love for David.

4 See, I made him a witness to the peoples,

a leader and commander for the peoples.

5 See, you shall call nations that you do not know,

and nations that do not know you shall run to you,

because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel,

for he has glorified you.

PSALM Psalm 145.8–9, 15–22

R You open wide your hand, O Lord.

8 The Lord is gracious and full of compassion,

slow to anger and of great kindness.

9 The Lord is loving to everyone

and his compassion is over all his works. R

15 The Lord upholds all those who fall;

he lifts up those who are bowed down.

16 The eyes of all wait upon you, O Lord,

and you give them their food in due season.

17 You open wide your hand

and satisfy the needs of every living creature. R

18 The Lord is righteous in all his ways

and loving in all his works.

19 The Lord is near to those who call upon him,

to all who call upon him faithfully.

20 He fulfils the desire of those who fear him,

he hears their cry and helps them. R

21 The Lord preserves all those who love him,

but he destroys all the wicked.

22 My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord;

let all flesh bless his holy name for ever and ever. R

SECOND READING Romans 9.1–5

1 I am speaking the truth in Christ.

I am not lying;

my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit.

2 I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart.
3 For I could wish that I myself were accursed
and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people,
my kindred according to the flesh.
4 They are Israelites,
and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants,
the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises;
5 to them belong the patriarchs,
and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah,
who is over all,
God blessed for ever. Amen.

GOSPEL Matthew 14.13–21

13 When Jesus heard that Herod had beheaded John the Baptist,
he withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself.
But when the crowds heard it,
they followed him on foot from the towns.
14 When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd;
and he had compassion for them and cured their sick.
15 When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said,
‘This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late;
send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages
and buy food for themselves.’
16 Jesus said to them,
‘They need not go away;
you give them something to eat.’
17 They replied,
‘We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.’
18 And he said, ‘Bring them here to me.’
19 Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass.
Taking the five loaves and the two fish,
he looked up to heaven,
and blessed and broke the loaves,
and gave them to the disciples,
and the disciples gave them to the crowds.
20 And all ate and were filled;
and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces,
twelve baskets full.
21 And those who ate were about five thousand men,
besides women and children.