



St Giles' Church, Bubbenhall: Newsletter for July-August 2015

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SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE: July- August 2015

DATE	Bubbenhall	Baginton	Ryton
July 5: Fifth Sunday after Trinity	11.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	10.00 a.m: Village Service.	9.30 a.m: Parish Communion. 6.30 p.m: Evensong.
July 12: Sixth Sunday after Trinity	6.30 p.m: Evensong.	10.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	8.00 a.m: Holy Communion. 9.30 a.m: Village Worship.
July 19: Seventh Sunday after Trinity	11.00 a.m: Mattins. 8.15 p.m: Holy Communion by candlelight.	10.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	9.30 a.m: Parish Communion. 6.30p.m: Evensong.
July 26: Eighth Sunday after Trinity	8.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	10.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	9.30 a.m: Family Service. 6.30 p.m: Holy Communion
August 2: Ninth Sunday after Trinity	11.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	10.00 a.m: Village Service.	9.30 a.m: Parish Communion. 6.30p.m: Evensong.

DATE	Bubbenhall	Baginton	Ryton
August 9: Tenth Sunday after Trinity	6.30 p.m: Evensong.	10.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	8.00 a.m: Holy Communion. 9.30 a.m: Village Worship.
Saturday, August 15: The Blessed Virgin Mary (The Assumption)			7.30 p.m. Holy Communion. With guest choir Musica Sacra
August 16: Eleventh Sunday after Trinity	11.00 a.m: Mattins. 8.15 p.m: Holy Communion by candlelight.	10.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	9.30 a.m: Parish Communion. 6.30p.m: Evensong.
August 23: Twelfth Sunday after Trinity	8.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	10.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	9.30 a.m: Family Service. 6.30 p.m: Holy Communion.
August 30: Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity (5th Sunday in the Month: one united service for all 3 parishes)			9.30 a.m: United Benefice Parish Communion.
September 6: Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity / for St Giles.	Patronal Festival: 11.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	10.00 a.m: Village Service.	9.30 a.m: Parish Communion. 6.30 p.m: Evensong.
September 13: Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity	6.30 p.m: Evensong	10.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	8.00 a.m: Holy Communion. 9.30 a.m: Village Worship.

**At Ryton: Every Wednesday except July 8, August 12 and September 9: 9.20 a.m:
Holy Communion.**

Wednesdays, July 8, August 12 and September 9: 11.30 a.m: Holy Communion.

Thought for the month: from our Rector, the Revd. David Wintle.



By the time you read this, Tom will have been ordained; he will be made deacon at Coventry Cathedral on 28 June and I'm writing a few days before that.

Several people have asked me what exactly a deacon is, so I thought I would explain.

If you look in your Bibles at chapter 6 of the Acts of the Apostles, you will find that, in the early days of the Church, there was a problem because some people were feeling neglected. The twelve Apostles got together and decided that, as the Church was growing fast, they needed to give all their time to teaching and preaching. Therefore it was

necessary for someone else to look after people and arrange for the charitable distribution of funds. They selected seven men and prayed over them and laid their hands on them, and so the first deacons were ordained.

The word "deacon" comes from a Greek word meaning "servant", and it is the job of deacons to serve the people among whom they are placed, in Tom's case, the people of the parishes of St Mary, Nuneaton and of St Mary and St John, Camp Hill; more than that, deacons are charged to actively seek out those who are marginalized inside and outside the church: the poor, the sick, the hungry, the imprisoned.

Now if you read on in the Acts of the Apostles, you will find, in the rest of Chapter 6 and in Chapter 7, that St Stephen, one of the seven original deacons, proclaimed the Gospel fearlessly before the authorities in Jerusalem and for doing so was stoned to death and became the first Christian martyr. That seems to have been beyond what the twelve Apostles expected; they thought they were ordaining servants and administrators, but it turned out that when they prayed for the Holy Spirit to come upon St Stephen and the other six deacons, the Spirit gave them power to preach the Gospel as well: the Holy Spirit is always unpredictable and very often does more than we ask!

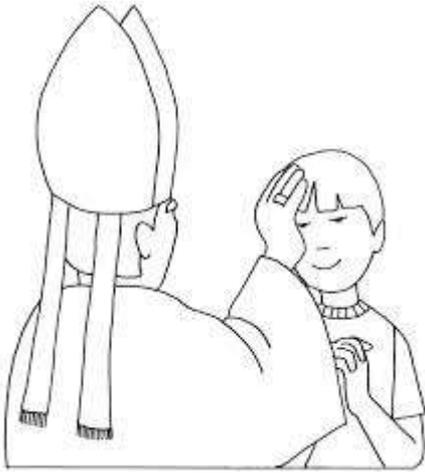
So deacons also read the Gospel at Holy Communion and preach.

Diacons may baptize, and can under certain circumstances solemnize matrimony. You can recognize a deacon in church because they wear a stole – "a long, coloured, scarfy thing" as someone once said to me - over their left shoulder and fastened on the right side of their waist. A deacon might also wear a dalmatic, which is like a cross between a very oversized t-shirt and a large square-cut poncho.

Diacons are not able to preside at Holy Communion, nor can they pronounce God's absolution of sin. Priests do those things, and in a year's time, if all goes well, Tom will be ordained again – this time as a priest.

But being a priest is an add-on, not a replacement. When someone becomes a priest, they remain a deacon as well, and if you think about it, a lot of what clergy do is actually about being a deacon, rather than about being a priest. So Tom gets a whole year of being a deacon before he becomes a priest; that way he gets to concentrate on learning to serve God's people before he takes on other responsibilities, and at the same time he becomes a visible symbol to all of us of the importance to Christ and His Church of that ministry of service.

Confirmation.



We shall be starting confirmation preparation for adults and young people in September. If you would like to be included, or know someone who would like to be confirmed, or would simply like more details about what Confirmation entails, please get in touch with the Rector or Rosemary.

Thank you!

Many thanks and congratulations to the team of volunteers who work so hard to keep the churchyard looking immaculate.

Anyone interested in helping, please contact Jackie Lloyd on 02476 302836



Saturday, August 15: The Feast of the Assumption with members of Guest choir Musica sacra.



The service for Corpus Christi on Thursday June 4th at Ryton Church was again enhanced by the singing of members of guest choir Musica Sacra. It attracted a good-sized congregation, who enjoyed the beautiful service, the music- and the cheese scones and Buck's Fizz party afterwards.

Members of Musica Sacra will be singing again at our service for the Assumption on Saturday, August 15th at 7.30 p.m. at St Leonard's Church, Ryton.

Wine and other refreshments after the service- do come along.

St Giles' Tower News

As part of a 4 tower 'mini tour' a band of bellringers from the Coventry Diocese visited Bubbenhall in the afternoon of St George's day on 23rd April. It was a lovely day and several people commented on how much they enjoyed listening to the bells."

Early evening on the 14th May visitors from Harry Windsor Bellringing Centre in Kington rang a successful quarter peal of Grandsire Doubles.

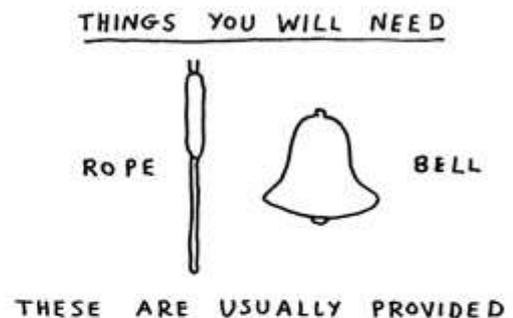
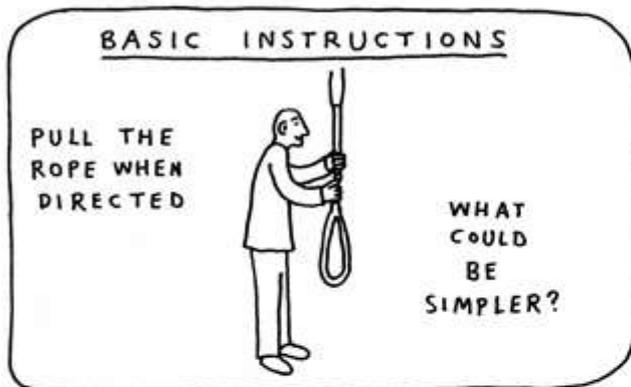
Leek Wootton plan open ringing after their Sunday evening service to celebrate the augmentation of their sixth bell.

Stoneleigh open their tower on 1st Tuesday of the month 11.30am for beginners or anyone who is interested in finding out about bellringers.

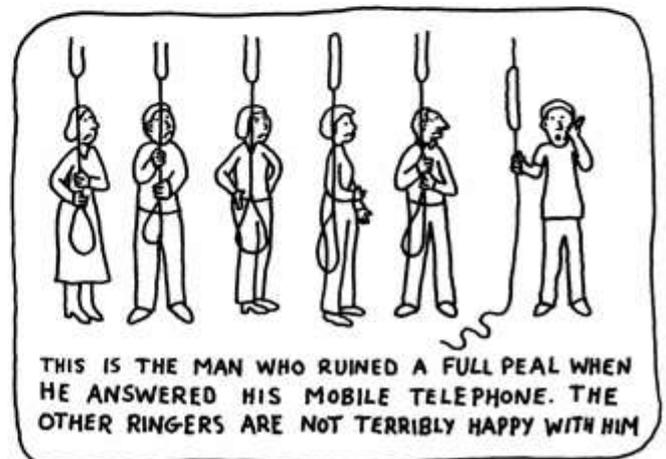
Visitors / ringers who wish to visit St Giles please contact Peter Sheen on 02476 306339.

THE BELL-RINGERS

USEFUL INFORMATION FOR NEW RECRUITS



SIGNIFICANT ACHIEVEMENTS ARE MARKED ON BOARDS ON THE WALLS OF THE TOWER





The whole community was in shock.
Helen confirmed double figures at the 8 a.m. service.

From the Church Register.

No entries in June

Ryton History Group

Our meetings are held in Ryton Village Hall from **7-30pm to 9.30pm** on the fourth Friday of every month. Please come and join us. We meet from 7.30-9.30pm in the Village Hall.
Subscription: £20.00 per year or £2.50 per meeting

We are now on the council website for you to get more information.

www.rytonondunsmore.org or **Steve Garrett 76639228 Ann 76302695**

**Fun for all ages at Village Worship (Second Sunday in every month),
and Family Service (Fourth
Sunday in every month).**

***Both services begin at 9.30 a.m. at
St. Leonard's church, Ryton-on-
Dunsmore.***

***Families (and of course individuals)
from Bubbenhall are especially
welcome.***

and informal services



Come and enjoy breakfast in **BUBBENHALL Village Hall!**



First Saturday in
the month, from
9.00 – 11.00 a.m.
Full English £5.00,
or bacon/ sausage
etc. batches, tea,
coffee- priced per
item.

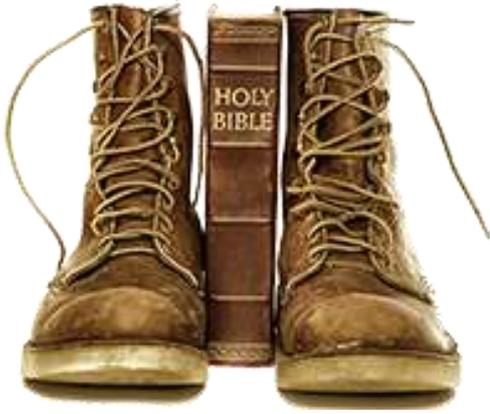
Proceeds in aid of
St Giles' Church.

Angela Greenway and Gill Green hope to welcome even more of you
on Saturdays, July 4, August 8th and September 5th.

Do come along and bring your friends!

Many thanks to Angela, Gill, and all those who are helping them in this venture.

Tailpiece: Out West



A devout cowboy lost his Bible while he was mending fences out on the range. Three weeks later a cow walked up carrying the Bible in its mouth. The cowboy couldn't believe his eyes. He took the book out of the cow's mouth, raised his eyes heavenward, and exclaimed, "It's a miracle!" "Not really," said the cow. "Your name was written inside the cover."

Contributions for the September Newsletter by August 20th please.

Please encourage others to ask to receive the Newsletter by email: the email version contains more news than there is room for in the paper version, and sometimes cartoons, pictures and jokes.

Just contact Rosemary on rbking007@btinternet.com and ask to be added to the list. No charge!

Have a nice summer, love from Rosemary.