

# The Weekly Link

## *This Week's Special Prayer*

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.

### *Luke 11:5-8*

Imagine that one of your friends comes over at midnight. He bangs on the door and shouts, "Friend, will you lend me three loaves of bread? A friend of mine just showed up unexpectedly from a journey, and I don't have anything to feed him."

Would you shout out from your bed, "I'm already in bed, and so are the kids. I already locked the door. I can't be bothered"?

You know this as well as I do: even if you didn't care that this fellow was your friend, if he keeps knocking long enough, you'll get up and give him whatever he needs simply because of his brash persistence!

### *Colossians 1:1-14*

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, to the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope

before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to you.

Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God.

This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow-servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God.

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

## Forty Days of Summer 2022

### 24 July --- Sunday

10am Sarah is presiding at St Barnabas  
11.15 Together for Summer, with Ethan speaking, and joining Mat and Emma as they renew their wedding vows

### 25 July --- Monday

NO SUNFLOWERS ACTIVITIES IN CHURCH TODAY

10am Prayer Club

1.30pm Sarah and Chris, along with Julieann and Mark Watson, are visiting an estate church in Gloucester to share good practice

### 26 July --- Tuesday

NO SUNFLOWERS ACTIVITIES IN CHURCH TODAY

### 27 July --- Wednesday

12 noon Forty Days of Summer  
Communion in St Wulstans

2pm SUNFLOWERS SETTING UP FOR HOLIDAY CLUB

### 28 July --- Thursday

SUNFLOWERS HOLIDAY CLUB ALL DAY

### 29 July --- Friday

SUNFLOWERS HOLIDAY CLUB ALL DAY

10am Funeral for Janet Pinfield  
at Worcester Crematorium

### 31 July --- Sunday

11.15am Together for Summer, a service led by our lay team with Julie Berrow from St Barnabas speaking

## August 2022

**Mondays to Fridays**

8am to 6pm Sunflowers Holiday Club

### 1-August --- Monday

7pm Tolladine Mission meeting in church

### 2-August --- Tuesday

12.15pm Funeral for Val Cook in church and then at Astwood Cemetery  
(the Sunflowers Holiday Club is doing activities off site during the service)

### 3-August --- Wednesday

10am Together for Summer midweek communion at St Barnabas

11.45am Garden Church: midweek fellowship over a cuppa in the Vicarage garden, using the Forty Days of Summer reflections



## FORTY DAYS OF SUMMER 2022

This summer's resources for daily prayer will take us through a letter written by St Paul to the Christians meeting together in Colossae --- a market town in what is now present-day Turkey. You can pick up your booklet today or follow the resources online at

**saintwulstans.online**

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## WOMEN'S EURO FINALS 5pm on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> July



The England team is doing very well at the UEFA Women's Euro 2022. **If** England makes it to the finals, we will show the match live on the big screen in church. All are welcome. Bring your own refreshments and share in the drama and excitement.