

Week beginning: **Sunday 9th June 2024**

Services this week:

Second Sunday worship pattern: 9th June

10am St Catharine's Connects: time to gather and catch up with each other over a drink and biscuit

10.30am Our worship includes Bible readings, sermon, prayer, communion and a mix of traditional and contemporary songs. In church building and on zoom.

This is the link for the church Zoom meeting space:

<https://zoom.us/j/6290787718?pwd=dDE5NVFLZIBwbzM0L1F0cFcrc1duQT09>
and password is 593577.

You can also join by telephone to hear the service. Just dial **+44 203 481 5237**, and then enter the Meeting ID **629 078 7718** with participant ID **593577**.

10th June 8.45 am Monday Morning Prayer in the Church building

12th June Wednesday Church

10 am – 12 noon. Do drop in for a chat and refreshments. Opportunity from 10am to join English conversation to support our new friends learning English.

If you would like to learn to knit, crochet or do cross stitch, please come along to Wednesday Church and join Letitia and Susan who will teach you the basics.

13th June Thursday Eucharist 10am is in the church building with refreshments after. Future Going Deeper dates **20th June and 4th & 18th July**.

Daily prayer 12 noon online.

Each week from Monday to Saturday - a God given opportunity to come together at midday for approximately 30 mins as we '**Pause for Prayer**'. To join, please use the Sunday service zoom link above.

There is an Intercessions book in the side chapel for you to make prayer requests in. When the church building is open the side chapel is also a space for private prayer.

Events and other news

9th June CCYG 6-7.30 pm Great fun for years 6-9.

Parish Youth & Children's Worker

This important role for us as a church is now being re-advertised. Details can be found here: <https://gloucester.anglican.org/about-us/vacancies/>

Please pray for God to send us the right person.

Could you help on the Tech team? We really need more people to play a part in supporting our worship on a Sunday. Training provided! If you can work a laptop you can definitely be a St Catharine's 'techie'. Speak to Jo P for more information.

The bike shed now has an extra rack fitted. There are now ten spaces for bikes. The shed is more out of sight than the church railings so a little safer from theft on a Sunday.

Could you offer accommodation to some actors from 4front theatre? They are putting on a Christian drama for Kingsholm school at St Catharine's on 3rd July. They need 4 rooms for the actors.

Sunday June 9th after the service there will be an opportunity to sign up for the next welcomers rota. For more information contact Barbara Wakeham.

Sunday 9th June 12-2pm: Worship Stay and Play. If you're already involved in the Sunday morning worship bands, or if you can sing or play an instrument and you would like to see if you could fit in, please stay after church on the 9th June. Bring your instrument if you have one, and a packed lunch so that we can eat and then play through some songs together.

Monday 10th June Pop-in Table Tennis **PLEASE NOTE NEW TIMINGS AND DATE CHANGES FOR FUTURE SESSIONS.** 11-12.30pm 8th July, 12th August, 2nd September, (Then it returns to the first Monday in the month 7th October, 4th November, 2nd December). All Welcome.

Tuesday 11th June The Welcoming Place: 2-3pm Every second Tuesday in the foyer. A welcoming space providing a listening ear, support and friendship on the path of bereavement. Join us for a chat, cuppa & warm welcome. (Next dates: 9th July, 13th August, 10th September, 8th October, 12th November, 10th December)

Tuesday 11th June Gardening at Church 2-4pm. All welcome. **Second Tuesday of the month** April to October (Next dates: 11th June, 9th July, 13th August, 10th September, 8th October)

Saturday 15th June Church Away Day. Have you booked your place? Forms are in the foyer. We can squeeze a few more in so do let Su in the office know if you would like to come along.

Wednesday 19th June 12 noon: A meeting about Summer Wednesdays at St Catharine's: Would you like to be involved? If so, bring a pack lunch at 12 noon on Wednesday 19th June to hear about and become part of the wonder that is Summer Wednesdays at St Catharine's.

Thursday 20th June Mothers Union 2.15pm all welcome. (Future dates: 18th July)

Sunday 30th June: There is NO normal service at St Catharines

Options for worship that day:

- Come to the Cathedral to support and pray for Clare Negreira as she is ordained at 10.15 am. You can also join this service by zoom via the Cathedral website.
- Simple prayer gathering at 10.30 am at St Catharine's for the parish ahead of the General Election (led by Sonya Newton).
- Pray from home or out and about for the people and places God puts on your heart.

Following Clare's ordination in the cathedral at 10.15am she would like to invite everyone back to St Catharine's for a buffet lunch. She will need an idea of numbers, so please could you let Rachel Barton know by 23rd June if you are coming.

Sunday 7th July 4.00 pm Luke's licensing at St John Baptist Cirencester *all welcome*. Refreshments afterwards. All age appropriate. If you would like to travel by coach (likely cost £5-10 per person) please sign up on the sheet available in church.

Sunday 14th July Church Lunch after Sunday Morning Service.

Kate and Neneh will be back in Gloucester for a month this summer and are looking for house/ pet sitting opportunities between 4 July and 8 August. If you need a home looked after while you're away on holiday, please email Kate at kingleby@gmail.com

Temporary rooms for refugees

If you want to find out more about the possibility of offering space in your home to a refugee, this is the website to find out more: <https://refugeesathome.org/>

Giving to the church

We have a contactless giving station in the church building. For one-off gifts to the church, please consider using this.

For more regular donations, please consider giving via the Parish Giving Scheme which enables you to set up a direct debit through your bank, and also automatically claims and returns gift aid to the church every month. Our code is GLCA, and details can be found here www.parishgivingscheme.org.uk

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