

Our prayers are also asked:

- for our parish and Cathedral Church; for our work with children and families
- for our own response to the climate crisis
- for all who work in the legal profession across the county
- for peace between Ukraine and Russia, between Palestine and Israel and in the wider Middle East
- for those who are sick, or undergoing medical treatment
- for those who have died including Annette Lord & Sandra Sligh

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The Parish of Hempsted with St Mary de Lode
and St Mary de Crypt, Gloucester
in partnership with Gloucester Cathedral



Trinity 19
6th October 2024

10.00am Parish Eucharist **St Mary de Lode**
Readings Genesis 2: 18-24; Mark 10: 2-16
Preacher Pauline Godfrey

In her role as Chaplain to the High Sherriff of Gloucestershire., Nikki is in the Cathedral today for the Annual Legal Service at 11am.

3.00pm Choral Evensong **Cathedral**

Morning Prayer via Zoom is on Wednesday and Friday at 9-9.20am.
Contact the parish office for the zoom link.

Compline via Zoom is on Thursday at 9-9.20pm. This is a peaceful service at the end of the day. Contact Stuart for the zoom link stuart.saxton535@gmail.com

Prayers for the City take place in St Mary de Crypt Church each Friday at 1-1.30pm. **Coffee, Cake and Conversation** takes place 11am-12.30pm beforehand in the Old Crypt Schoolroom.

Services for Trinity 20, 13th October

Holy Communion	St Swithun's	8.00am
Family Eucharist	St Swithun's	10.00am

There will be an open meeting in the Lysons Hall to discuss the **financial future of St Swithun's** on Wednesday 16th October, 7pm. All are welcome; please do let friends and neighbours know.

Coffee Pot meets on the **third Friday of the month** in the **Lysons Hall**. The next session is on **Friday 18th October** from **10-11.30am**.

Messy Church next takes place on Sunday 20th October and all are welcome to gather in the Lysons Hall at 3.30pm as we continue to grow together in God's love.

The next **Hempsted Eco Church** meeting will take place in the Lysons Hall on Tuesday 22 October at 7pm. If you are interested in joining the group, we'd love to welcome you. Further details from Nikki.

Do you know that **Mars** is coming to Gloucester? From **Tuesday 15 October—Sunday 3 November** experience the wonders of Planet Mars right here on earth within the sacred walls of **Gloucester Cathedral** with Luke Jerram's incredible **Mars: War and Peace** artwork. For details of everything that's going on see the Cathedral website: <https://gloucestercathedral.org.uk/whats-on/mars>

There will be two special services to remember those we love who have died in November: the annual parish **In Memoriam Service** on Sunday 3 November at 4pm in St Swithun's Church and Prayers for the City on Friday 8 November at 1pm in St Mary de Crypt. All are welcome to either service. You are invited to put the name of those you wish to remember on the lists now available in all three churches.

Gaudeamus Vocal Consort sing a special memorial concert on Saturday 9 November at 11am in St Mary de Crypt: Fauré Requiem plus works by Gowland, Aston, Bainton, Franck and others. Candles will be lit as we remember those we love who have died. Free admission with donations invited.

The **Parish Bible Study Group** meets every other Monday in the Lysons Hall 2-3.30pm. All are welcome to attend. For dates and further details contact Pauline Godfrey on 0777 228 0344 pgodfrey@glosdioc.org.uk

Hempsted Community Raffle, Supporting Children and Families work in the parish. Tickets are now on sale! We have a fabulous array of prizes and hope everyone will support the cause by buying some tickets. Tickets will be on sale at local community events and after church each Sunday. (£2 each - £10 book of 5 tickets). The raffle will be drawn at the Christmas Fayre in the Lysons Hall at 2 p.m. on Saturday 7th December 2024. Thank you Jenny Simmonds and Debbie Hotchkins.

4 October, The Feast of St Francis of Assisi, marks the end of the **Season of Creation**. May it be for us all the beginning of a renewed commitment to care for mother earth.

Prayer for the week

O God,

you call to us from the wild places,

you call to us from the inner chambers of our hearts.

We come in answer to your call.

We come to pray, to praise, to learn of your love for all creation.

Reveal your glory that we may see it together.

Inform and inspire us to seek your kingdom on earth in our time. Amen.

Revd. Penny L Lowes