

Our prayers are also asked:

- for our parish and Cathedral Church
- for Cameron & Annie, their families and godparents as they are baptised
- for the work of Listening Post
- 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 20  
13th October 2024

8.00am	Holy Communion	St Swithun's
Readings	Amos 5: 6-7; Mark 10: 17-31	
Preacher	Geoff Eales	
10.00am	Family Eucharist	St Swithun's
Readings	Amos 5: 6-7; Psalm 90:12-end; Mark 10: 17-31	
Preacher	Pauline Godfrey	
12.30pm	Baptism	St Swithun's
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 21, 20th October

Parish Eucharist	St Mary de Lode	10.00am
Messy Church	Lysons Hall	3.30pm

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 **Parish Bible Study Group** meets every other Monday in the Lysons Hall 2-3.30pm. All are welcome to attend, and the group meets next on 21st October. For future dates and further details contact Pauline Godfrey on 0777 228 0344 [pgodfrey@glosdioc.org.uk](mailto:pgodfrey@glosdioc.org.uk)

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.

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 or email [admin@swithunandmary.org.uk](mailto:admin@swithunandmary.org.uk)

**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.

**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*

Advent begins on Sunday 1 December. Nikki & Pauline recommend two books that you may like to purchase for **Advent reading**:

- **The Love that Moves the Sun:** Advent home in a time of crisis by Paul Dominiak: <https://chbookshop.hymnsam.co.uk/books/9781786225658/>
- **An Advent Manifesto:** daily readings and reflections from Isaiah and Luke by Martyn Percy (BRF): <https://chbookshop.hymnsam.co.uk/books/9781800390942/>

Kindle editions are available for both titles., and both books are also for sale at Amazon, Waterstones and other online suppliers.

## Prayer for the week

As we progress on the pilgrimage of life and faith, Lord, keep us always mindful of the needs and wellbeing of those with whom we travel. Fill us with your spirit of kindness that our hearts may be open to each other. May your love for us inspire our love for all. Amen.

*Bill Braviner*