



The Severn Loop Parishes  
Albrighton Bicton Fitz Leaton Montford Shrawardine



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## JUNE LOOP 2023

Weekly Collects, Readings and Reflection are on the website (see above.)

### *Love Your Burial Ground Week*

The first full week in June is *Love Your Burial Ground Week*. Around the Loop our burial grounds are indeed well-loved and full of significance for so many who visit them to remember loved ones. *Caring For God's Acre* (the organisation that works with Montford in particular) is encouraging churches to mark this week in any way they see fit...

At Shrawardine and Montford we are holding Graveside Prayers followed by refreshments in church. This will be a small and very simple service that is particularly aimed at relatives of loved ones who are buried there (though anyone is welcome). These will take place on **11<sup>th</sup> June after the main service- so at 10.25am at Montford and noon at Shrawardine.**

We also want to thank those who keep the grass and graves tidy and nurture the flora and fauna. Our churchyards bring God's peace and God's comfort to so many- beautiful places that are full of resurrection hope.



### *Severn Loop Summer Celebration!*

We are very excited about our summer celebration on Corpus Christi- Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> June. We hope it'll be a joyful opportunity to have a bit of a party! Please feel warmly welcome to come along to the Sung Eucharist at Leaton at 4pm and/ or drinks in the garden at Albrighton House from 5pm (by kind invitation of Joyce and David Jagger). There is no need to book or RSVP.

If you would like to sing in the Eucharist, then please let Hannah or Peter know. As was the case with the Coroners Conference at Albrighton, we will be a home-grown, scratch choir- and we are looking for as many of you as possible to join in! There will be a rehearsal at Leaton on Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> June at 6pm, and one on the day itself at 2.30pm.



## *Fitz Summer Fete- Peverey House Walled Garden*

Do come along and enjoy a traditional village fete with dog show (entrants on the day)! Saturday, 10<sup>th</sup> June, 2.30pm-5pm.

### *Forest Church*

Our next Forest Church will be on the 4<sup>th</sup> June, 3pm at Leaton Forest (by kind invitation of Mr Charles Bridgeman). We are hoping for a lovely, balmy afternoon enjoying the countryside- with plenty of wildlife and things to do!

The final Forest Church of the term will be on 16<sup>th</sup> July at Leaton Hall (by kind permission of Philippa and Al Herbert)- more details next month.

### *British Legion Service*

We are delighted to be welcoming the Royal British Legion for their annual service at Holy Trinity, Bicton, 4<sup>th</sup> June 2023. There will be no service in the morning that day, instead we gather at 6pm for a parade from the village hall, followed by a service in church. Please do feel warmly welcome to come along- this year we have the **Porthywaen Brass Band** with us- who are brilliant!

\*\*\* Please note there will be no morning service at Bicton that day\*\*\*

### *The Loop hosts a Deanery Quiet Day*



You may remember that many years ago Shrawardine had a tradition of running quiet days. Well, we are hoping to revive that this year, and to open it up to the whole Deanery- all are welcome, details below:

*Refreshments will be provided, but do bring a picnic lunch, rug and/or chair. There will be craft options available, but if you like drawing/sketching you might like to bring your own art materials. We've hired a portaloo for the occasion! There will be a talk at the start of our time together, and a service with a chance to share reflections at the end.*

**10.30am- 2.30pm**

**Saturday, 15<sup>th</sup> July 2023**

To book a place contact Esther Oates (warden)- 01743 851352/  
[stmvshraden@gmail.com](mailto:stmvshraden@gmail.com)

There is no cost for the day, but donations are welcome.

### *.....Summer Coach Trip*



We are delighted to announce the return of our Cathedral Coach Trip (with thanks to Gillian Steedman for organising it). It will be on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September and the destination is Worcester. Do save the date, and more details will follow very soon.

## *Diary Dates*

**Bicton CAMEO Coffee Morning-** 8<sup>th</sup> June, 10.30am- noon. In church.

**Severn Loop Summer Celebration-** 8<sup>th</sup> June, 4pm Eucharist@ Leaton; 5pm drinks at Albrighton House.

**Bicton Open Church-** Saturdays throughout the summer months, 10am-noon

**The Stepping Out Café in Bomere Heath-** 28<sup>th</sup> June, 2.30pm-4pm.

**Filling Station-** Knockin Village Hall is on 20<sup>th</sup> June, 7.10pm for a 7.30pm start. The next one at Rodington Village Hall (SY4 4QS) is on 26<sup>th</sup> June, 7.15pm for a 7.30pm start.

**British Legion Service-** 4<sup>th</sup> June, 6pm, Holy Trinity, Bicton.

**Fitz Village Fete at Peverey-** 10<sup>th</sup> June, 2.30pm-5pm.

**REVS-** 18<sup>th</sup> June, 9.30am-noon, Montford Bridge Café.

**Deanery Quiet Day-** 15<sup>th</sup> July, 10.30am-2.30pm, Shrawardine.

**Hymns and Pimm's-** 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 6.30pm, Bicton.

**Montford and Shrawardine Summer Supper-** 24<sup>th</sup> July, 6.30pm-9pm, Forton West Farm, Montford Bridge- tickets £15 (available from Cheri Draper- 01743 850200; Tricia Jones- 01743 850810; Esther Oates- 07484 777625).

## *For Your Prayers*

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- For those preparing for Baptism or Marriage. We have lots over the summer months!
  - For places of war.
  - For refugees and all who seek safety.
  - For our local farming community, and all who work in the public sector.
  - For the work of our Foodbank, Food Hub, The Ark, Street Pastors and other local charities.
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## *Readings for June*

Date	Psalm	First Reading	Second Reading/ Gospel
<b>Sun 4 June</b> Trinity Sunday	8	2 Corinthians 13.11-13	Matthew 28.16-20
<b>Sun 11 June</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> after Trinity	50.7-15	Romans 4.13-25	Matthew 9.9-13,18-26
<b>Sun 18 June</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> after Trinity	100	Romans 5.1-8	Matthew 9.35 - 10.8
<b>Sun 25 June</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> after Trinity	69.8-20	Romans 6.1b-11	Matthew 10.24-39
<b>Sun 2 July</b> 4 <sup>th</sup> after Trinity	89.1-4, 15-18	Romans 6.12-23	Matthew 10.40-42

## SUNDAY SERVICES FOR JUNE 2023

*HC- Holy Communion; MP- Morning Prayer; BCP- Book of Common Prayer*

	Albrighton	Bicton	Bomere Heath	Fitz	Leaton	Montford	Shrawardine
<b>4<sup>th</sup> June</b> <b>Trinity</b> <b>Sunday</b> <b>White/</b> <b>Gold</b>	9.15 am HC	6pm British Legion Service		9.30 am HC BCP	10.45 am HC  3pm Forest Church		9.30 am MP
<b>11<sup>th</sup> June</b> <b>Trinity 1</b> <b>Green</b>		11 am MP	9 am HC		10.45 am MP	9.30 am HC  10.20am Graveside Prayers	11 am HC  Noon Graveside Prayers
<b>18<sup>th</sup> June</b> <b>Trinity 2</b> <b>Green</b>	9.15 am MP	11 am HC		9.30 am HC BCP	10.45 am HC- Preb. Kevin Roberts	9.30 am MP	
<b>25<sup>th</sup> June</b> <b>Trinity 3</b> <b>Green</b>		11 am MP	9 am HC		10.45 am MP	11 am HC	9.30 am HC
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> July</b> <b>Trinity 4</b> <b>Green</b>	9.15 am HC	11 am HC		9.30 am HC BCP	10.45 am HC		9.30 am MP

### OTHER WAYS TO WORSHIP ON SUNDAYS

SUNDAY AT SIX 6 pm via Zoom – email Peter or Hannah to receive the link.

SHARING THE LIGHT IN THE LOOP- weekly phone line worship – see top of this page for the number.

DAILY HOPE – national phone line, see number above.

LICHFIELD CATHEDRAL- [www.lichfield-cathedral.org](http://www.lichfield-cathedral.org) 10.30 am Eucharist

Come follow Christ  in the footsteps of St Chad  
Know the Story Share the Story Live the Story