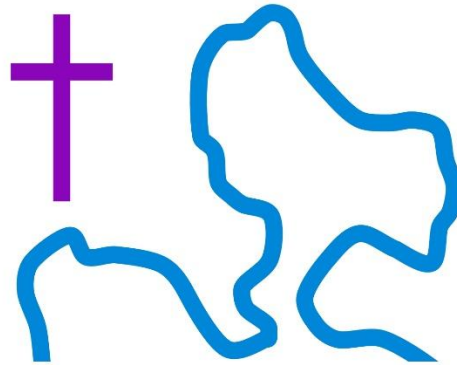


Severn Loop Parishes



Albrighton
Battlefield
Bomere Heath
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Shrawardine

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MAY LOOP 2026

The Easter Season continues...

It was wonderful to see so many folk around our church communities as we celebrated Easter- beginning with... wait for it... 22 people at Battlefield at 5am! What a joy. As we continue to journey with Jesus in hope, we will celebrate the Ascension at Battlefield too- **4pm, Thursday, 14th May**, followed by refreshments in the sunshine (we hope). Do join us. As a reminder of last year, here is the *Station of the Resurrection* for the Ascension- at Montford (brilliantly depicted!).



Forest Church

We had a fab time at Forest Church at Preston Montford Field Studies Centre- we were small in number, but the advantage of that was that we all had a go at pond-dipping! Sue Dancey led us through the afternoon, and we all learnt so much. Our next Forest Church will be on The Isle Estate, **28th June 2026**, 3pm.

Loopy Sundays

Severn Loop Parishes invite you to join us for

LOOPY Sundays

Informal & interactive
Sunday worship

Our new, informal Sunday afternoon worship is continuing into March! We are meeting at 3pm on the 10th May at the Mission Church in Bomere Heath. Do join us for an afternoon of interactive Bible stories and activities, singing and snacking, suitable for all ages. This month will be all about things that go up, as our interactive story focuses on Jesus' ascension to heaven. Join us for informal worship, prayer activities, and the ever present refreshments. Feel free to just turn up, but if you'd like to find out more in advance, do email Dave - rev.latcham@gmail.com.

Wednesday eve Small Group

Join us on 6th and 20th May at 7:30pm in the Mission Church, Bomere Heath. For more details contact Dave - rev.latcham@gmail.com.



Steeleye Span Concert

Charles Bridgeman (Leaton) is promoting this concert on 9th May as a means of raising money for a family window- if you're interested in getting a ticket, please contact him directly- Cbridgeman@leatonforest.co.uk.

Of One Accord Concert- 5th June 2026

A wonderful evening of uplifting music with Of One Accord, a mixed voice choir nestled in Shrewsbury. **Tickets: £10** Including refreshments

To book your tickets, please contact Wendy/Clare – 01743 850237/01743 361906 or e-mail severn.loopparishes@gmail.com



Boardgames and Puzzles afternoon at Bomere Heath Mission Church



Join us for a fun afternoon during the May half term holidays to play Boardgames and Puzzles on Sat 30th May, 2-4:30pm, at the Mission Church in Bomere. This free event will have a selection of boardgames and puzzles for all ages and abilities, as well as refreshments. Do drop in, and for more information contact Dave on rev.latcham@gmail.com

Dave's Priesting Service

You're warmly invited to join us on Sunday 21st June at 10:30am at Bicton Church, followed by a bring-and-share lunch. Do save the date- we would love to have loads of folk there to support him!

Coach Trip to Coventry Cathedral

It's been a few years, but we are delighted that the Severn Loop Coach Trip is back!
16th of July, including a tour around the ruins and new Cathedral, cream tea then finishing with choral evensong!
Please save the date- more information coming soon!



Grief Encounters



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We are beginning a new ministry- an informal friendship café for the recently bereaved. We are hoping to run one three times a year, at different locations. Hannah will be writing to the families of those whose funerals we looked after, to invite them along. We're very much aware that also includes quite a few of you- if you are interested in finding out more, do contact Hannah. The first one will be at Shrawardine, 30th June, 4pm.

**Royal British Legion Service at Bicton- 7th June,
6pm**

As usual, we have our annual service at Bicton for the local branch of the Royal British Legion, featuring the Porthywaen Brass Band. Gather at 5.45pm (or just before) to see them march up from the club (they'll also march back afterwards). All welcome.



Diary Dates

CAMEO Coffee Morning at Bicton Church- 14th May, 10.30am-11.30am.

The Stepping Out Café in Bomere Heath- 27th May, 2.30pm-4pm

Friends Coffee Morning in Shrawardine- 12th May, 10.30am, in church

Filling Station- 19th May, 7.15pm for 7.30pm, Knockin Assembly Rooms. Free refreshments.

REVS- 16th May, 10am-noon, Leaton Church

Loop Explorers (4.30pm-5.30pm, Bicton Church, for primary school children)- 7th May, 21st May

Loop Life (7pm-8pm at the Rectory in Bicton, for youth)- 14th May

For Your Prayers

- For our local farmers.
- For peace in Sudan, the Middle East and Ukraine.
- For our Government and armed forces, and for HM the King.
- For schools, including our new lunch club at Corbet School, exploring the questions of faith.
- For those in hospital, and for our NHS.
- For the recently bereaved- particularly the family and friends of Tim Empson and Arthur Roberts.
- For couples preparing for marriage.

Readings for May

DAY	PSALM	1 ST READING	2 ND READING/ GOSPEL
3 rd May Fifth Sunday of Easter	Psalm 31. 1-5, 15-16	1 Peter 2. 2-10	John 14. 1-14
10 th May Sixth Sunday of Easter	Psalm 66. 7-18	1 Peter 3. 13-22	John 14. 15-21
17 th May Seventh Sunday of Easter	Psalm 68. 1-10, 32-35	1 Peter 4. 12-14 & 5: 6-11	John 17. 1-11
24 th May Pentecost	Psalm 104. 26-36, 37b	Acts 2. 1-21	John 20. 19-23
31 st May Trinity Sunday	Psalm 8	2 Corinthians 13. 11- 13	Matthew 28. 16-20
4 th June Corpus Christi	Psalm 116. 10-17	1 Corinthians 11. 23- 26	John 6. 51-58

SUNDAY SERVICES FOR MAY

	Albrighton	Bicton	Bomere Heath	Fitz	Leaton	Montford	Shrawardine
3rd May Easter 5	9.15am HC	11am HC		9.30am MP	10.45am MP		9.30am MP
10th May Easter 6		11 am MP	9am HC 3pm Loopy Sunday		10.45 am MP	9.30 am MP	11 am HC
14th May Ascension Day	4pm Battlefield						
17th May Easter 7	9.15am MP	11 am MP		9.30am HC	10.45 am HC	9.30am MP	
24th May Pentecost		11am HC	9am HC		10.45am MP	11am HC	9.30am HC
31st May Trinity Sunday	10.30am United Service						
7th June	9.15am HC	6pm RBL		9.30am MP	10.45am HC		9.30am MP

HC- Holy Communion; MP- Morning Prayer

OTHER WAYS TO WORSHIP ON SUNDAYS- SUNDAY AT SIX 6 pm via Zoom – email Peter or Hannah to receive the link. DAILY HOPE – national phone line, see number above. LICHFIELD CATHEDRAL- www.lichfield-cathedral.org 10.30 am Eucharist