



# St. Lawrence Church & St. Mary's Church

## Newsletter 24th June 2018

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### Welcome to Church on the Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Sunday 24th June	7:45am	Holy Communion	Kathryn
	10:30am	Holy Communion	Kathryn
	6:30pm	Evening Worship	Lay led
Monday 25th June	1:30pm	Funeral of Margaret Base	
Tuesday 26th June	9:00am	Morning Prayer at St Lawrence Church	
	9:00am	Tea & Toast	
Thursday 28th June	9:15am	Morning Worship	
	2:15pm	Play & Praise	
Sunday 1st July	7:45am	Holy Communion	Kathryn
	10:30am	Holy Communion	Kathryn
	6:30pm	Fauré Requiem	



### Collect

**Gracious Father, by the obedience of Jesus you brought salvation to our wayward world: draw us into harmony with your will, that we may find all things restored in him, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen**

### 1 Samuel 17(1a, 4-11,19-23) 32-49

The Philistines got ready for war and brought their troops together. The Philistine army had a hero named Goliath who was from the town of Gath and was over nine feet tall. He wore a bronze helmet and had bronze armour to protect his chest and legs. The chest armour alone weighed about one hundred twenty-five pounds. He carried a bronze sword strapped on his back, and his spear was so big that the iron spearhead alone weighed more than fifteen pounds. A soldier always walked in front of Goliath to carry his shield. Goliath went out and shouted to the army of Israel: Why are you lining up for battle? I'm the best soldier in our army, and all of you are in Saul's army. Choose your best soldier to come out and fight me! If he can kill me, our people will be your slaves. But if I kill him, your people will be our slaves. Here and now I challenge Israel's whole army! Choose someone to fight me! Saul and his men heard what Goliath said, but they were so frightened of Goliath that they couldn't do a thing. David obeyed his father. He got up early the next morning and left someone else in charge of the sheep; then he loaded the supplies and started off. He reached the army camp just as the soldiers were taking their places and shouting the battle cry. The army of Israel and the Philistine army stood there facing each other. David left his things with the man in charge of supplies and ran up to the battle line to ask his brothers if they were well. While David was talking with them, Goliath came out from the line of Philistines and started boasting as usual. David heard him. "Your Majesty," he said, "this Philistine shouldn't turn us into cowards. I'll go out and fight him myself!" "You don't have a chance against him," Saul replied. "You're only a boy, and he's been a soldier all his life." But David told him: Your Majesty, I take care of my father's sheep. And when one of them is dragged off by a lion or a bear, I go after it and beat the wild animal until it lets the sheep go. If the wild animal turns and attacks me, I grab it by the throat and kill it. Sir, I have killed lions and bears that way, and I can kill this worthless Philistine. He shouldn't have made fun of the army of the living God! The LORD has rescued me from the claws of lions and bears, and he will keep me safe from the hands of this Philistine. "All right," Saul answered, "go ahead and fight him. And I hope the LORD will help you." Saul had his own military clothes and armour put on David, and he gave David a bronze helmet to wear. David strapped on a sword and tried to walk around, but he was not used to wearing those things. "I can't move with all this stuff on," David said. "I'm just not used to it." David took off the armour and picked up his shepherd's stick. He went out to a stream and picked up five smooth rocks and put them in his leather bag. Then with his sling in his hand, he went straight toward Goliath. Goliath came toward David, walking behind the soldier who was carrying his shield. When Goliath saw that David was just a healthy, good-looking boy, he made fun of him. "Do you think I'm a dog?" Goliath asked. "Is that why you've come after me with a stick?" He cursed David in the name of the Philistine gods and shouted, "Come on! When I'm finished with you, I'll feed you to the birds and wild animals!" David answered: You've come out to fight me with a sword and a spear and a dagger. But I've come out to fight you in the name of the LORD All-Powerful. He is the God of Israel's army, and you have insulted him too! Today the LORD will help me defeat you. I'll knock you down and cut off your head, and I'll feed the bodies of the other Philistine soldiers to the birds and wild animals. Then the whole world will know that Israel has a real God. Everybody here will see that the LORD doesn't need swords or spears to save his people. The LORD always wins his battles, and he will help us defeat you. When Goliath started forward, David ran toward him. He put a rock in his sling and swung the sling around by its straps. When he let go of one strap, the rock flew out and hit Goliath on the forehead. It cracked his skull, and he fell face down on the ground. This is the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark (Mark 4.35-end)

That evening, Jesus said to his disciples, "Let's cross to the east side." So they left the crowd, and his disciples started across the lake with him in the boat. Some other boats followed along. Suddenly a windstorm struck the lake. Waves started splashing into the boat, and it was about to sink. Jesus was in the back of the boat with his head on a pillow, and he was asleep. His disciples woke him and said, "Teacher, don't you care that we're about to drown?" Jesus got up and ordered the wind and the waves to be quiet. The wind stopped, and everything was calm. Jesus asked his disciples, "Why were you afraid? Don't you have any faith?" Now they were more afraid than ever and said to each other, "Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!" This is the Gospel of the Lord

**Glory to you O Lord**

**Praise to you O Christ.**

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### PRAYER CHAIN

Please remember that we have a prayer co-ordinator who every fortnight sends around names of people to be included in our prayers. If you would like to receive this list then please contact Hayley - [h\\_a\\_p@hotmail.com](mailto:h_a_p@hotmail.com)  
We also produce a paper version that can be sent to people as well.



### CHURCH NEWSLETTER

If you wish to have anything included in the Church Newsletter please let Jim McGregor have it by the Wednesday of the previous week.

Tel 01785 822156 or email [jimf.mcgregor@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:jimf.mcgregor@tiscali.co.uk)

Christian  
Food Bank



### CHRISTIAN FOOD BANK

Please do remember that we collect tinned food here at the back of church that is collected every two weeks and taken to the Food Bank at Stafford. Your donations are appreciated. **Please bring any tinned food to the box at the back of church – making sure the tins are well within their sell by date.**  
Thank you.

If you know of anyone in the community who would appreciate a visit, please let Rev Kathryn know. Many thanks

### CHURCH SERVICES AT MORETON

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> July Evening Worship at 6.30pm with Rev Kathryn  
Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> July Holy Communion at 9am with Rev Kathryn  
Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> July Morning Worship in the Community Centre

### CARNIVAL

Thank you to all those who helped in many various ways, before Carnival day, on Carnival day and afterwards. Collectively through your efforts we enjoyed a very successful day.  
It's good for Church members and other villagers to work together for the enjoyment of the community.  
Rev Kathryn, Rev Cathy, Eric & Bob

### ACROSS THE BENEFICE

For enquires concerning baptisms and weddings please contact Rev Kathryn.  
01785 822820 rev.kathrynh@gmail.com

### HOLIDAY CLUB

Mon 30<sup>th</sup> July – Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> August, 9.30am – 12 noon.

For children in years 1-6. Gnosall Village Hall. £10 per child. 6<sup>th</sup> Aug – Fun day for children in Pre-School & Reception. More details to follow or contact Adie Harris – 01785 284027 [sbgoholidayclub@gmail.com](mailto:sbgoholidayclub@gmail.com)

Please take this sheet home with you to remind you of the readings and notices and also please take one for anyone whom you know is missing from today's service and would like to feel included

### TOWER OPEN DAY

Wanted - cakes/biscuits/scones etc for refreshments for Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> June. Please bring them to the Vestry on the 30<sup>th</sup>

ST. LAWRENCE CHURCH GNOSALL

# FAURÉ REQUIEM

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> July at 6:30pm

St. Lawrence Junior Choir  
and additional singers



Gabriel Fauré  
1847 - 1923

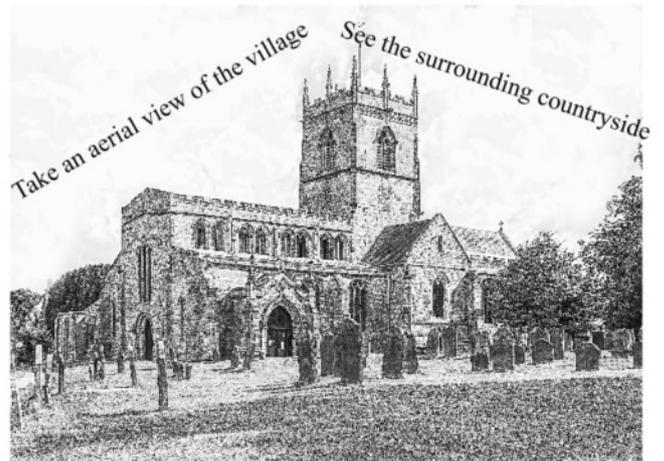
Friends of St Lawrence Church, Gnosall

## TOWER OPEN DAY

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2018

10am to 4pm

Also a WW1 1918 exhibition -  
World War One - "Coming home"



**Entry £4.00 per person**  
including refreshments

Due to Health & Safety regulations we unfortunately cannot allow children under the age of 8 years to climb the tower.