

Notices

**EVENTS COMING UP
FOR ST NICHOLAS CHURCH RESTORATION FUND**
Don't forget to buy your tickets!

Vintage Afternoon Tea/Fashion Show
THIS SATURDAY 9 March – 2pm in Alcester Town Hall
UNFORTUNATELY THIS HAS HAD TO BE CANCELLED DUE TO ILL HEALTH

Tarantara Concert
Saturday 23 March – 7.30pm in St Nicholas Church
(01789 762638 – Bill Baldwin - £12 to include interval drink)
Also in support of Holy Trinity Church, Arrow Building Fund

WHAT IS HAPPENING IN LENT?

THIS WEDNESDAY - ASH WEDNESDAY (6 March)
Services at 10am and 8pm

COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS
Putting our faith into action through daily reflections and challenges
Pick up a leaflet from one of the churches or download a copy from Christian Aid

LENT GROUPS
organised by Alcester Churches Together (ACT)
Tuesday 12 March (for 5 Tuesdays) – 2.00 – 3.30pm
Alcester Methodist Church (beginning with refreshments)
Wednesday 13 March (for 5 Wednesdays) – 7.30 – 9.00pm
Alcester Baptist Church (beginning with refreshments)

Entitled 'Everyone Welcome'
A complete course to transform our churches by improving our approach to newcomers. A course book will be available at a suggested donation of £4.

SPECIAL EVENING SERVICE – ENTER HIS GATES
Sunday 17 March – 6.00 – 7.30pm
St Nicholas Church

An Evening of Worship & Teaching with Christian Composer and Teacher, Roger Jones
(followed by refreshments)

*Do you subscribe to
the **MINSTER MATTERS** magazine and if not would you like to in 2019?
Paper/Email copies available – Enquiries to the administrator*

ELECTORAL ROLL RENEWAL

Every 6 years the Electoral Rolls across the whole of the Church of England are renewed. Joining an electoral roll says in effect 'I belong' to the parish church. Everyone who wants to be on an electoral roll will need to complete and return a form. Please check the closing dates for your particular parish particularly if you are a member of the PCC or a sidesperson as you must be on the Electoral Roll! Eligibility criteria on the application form.



**Welcome to
the Alcester Minster
Group of Churches
Sunday 03 March 2019**

Sunday before Lent Green

“A voice came from the cloud, saying, ‘This is my Son, whom I have chosen; listen to him.’” Luke 9 v 35

Collect

Almighty Father,
whose Son was revealed in majesty
before he suffered death upon the
cross:
give us grace to perceive his glory,
that we may be strengthened to suffer
with him
and be changed into his likeness, from
glory to glory;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Alternative Collect

Holy God,
you know the disorder of our
sinful lives:
set straight our crooked
hearts,
and bend our wills to love
your goodness
and your glory
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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Next week's services and events

Sunday 03 March	Sunday before Lent	<i>Green</i>
Monday 04 March		
Tuesday 05 March		
Coughton	9.15 am	Prayer for Coughton & Sambourne Parish
Alcester	7.00 pm	Holy Communion
Alcester	7.30 pm	St Nicholas Choir Practice
Wednesday 06 March – ASH WEDNESDAY		
Alcester	10.00 am	Ash Wednesday Holy Communion
Sambourne	1.30 pm	Keep Fit for over 65s
Church House	7.30 pm	NO Alcester Minster Churches Council Meeting (moved to 13.03.19)
Kinwarton	8.00 pm	Ash Wednesday Holy Communion
Thursday 07 March		
Alcester	7.30 pm	St Nicholas Bell-ringing Practice
Friday 08 March		
Alcester	10.00 am	Little Stars
Jubilee Fields	7.00 pm	Chocolate Run for young people recommences
Saturday 09 March		
Alcester Town Hall	2.00 pm	NO Vintage Afternoon Tea & Fashion Show (cancelled due to ill health)
Sunday 10 March	Lent 1	<i>Purple</i>
Alcester	9.00 am	Minster Communion

Refreshments will be served in Church House between the 9.00 am and 11.00 am services

Alcester	11.00 am	Minster Family Communion with optional prayer ministry after the service
Church House	3.00 pm	Baptism Preparation

All cash & money given in the special green Minster gift aid envelopes on the second Sunday each month will be given to Minster Funds



Did you know that you can now 'LIKE' Alcester Minster on facebook? Find details and pictures of events at www.facebook.com/AlcesterMinster If you would like to submit event notices or photos to be published on the page then please email administrator@alcesterminster.org

Readings for the week

Today	2 Corinthians 3 v 12 – 4 v 2 Luke 9 v 28-36
Monday	John 3 v 1-21
Tuesday	John 3 v 22-end
Wednesday	1 Timothy 6 v 6-19
Thursday	John 4 v 1-26
Friday	John 4 v 27-42
Saturday	John 4 v 43-end



Prayer

The Ministry Leadership Team would like you to pray for the following topics:

1. Pray that the season of Lent may be an opportunity for individuals and churches to experience spiritual growth and renewal.
2. As we prepare to re-advertise the Families and Children's Worker role, please pray that God will speak to the right candidate and they will listen.

The Minster has Home Groups which meet most days of the week. If you are interested in joining one, please contact the Rector.

Please ensure all mobile phones are switched OFF during the service. Visitors are invited to Gift Aid their offerings in the envelopes provided.

Please take this sheet home with you

Contact Juliette Guthrie (07840 284 294 or administrator@alcesterminster.org) by 6 pm on Tuesday to add notices of church activities to next week's notice sheet.

Check out the website calendar for further details on events/services coming up