

*St Nicholas
Fyfield*

*St Lawrence
Tubney*

*Church Newsletter
July 2022*

July Services

3rd July	Fyfield Church: Village Service Speaker: Ian Bensted	10.30am
10th July	Fyfield Church: Evensong Speaker: David Pickering	6.00pm
17th July	Tubney Church: Morning Prayer Speaker: David Pickering	10.30am
24th July	Fyfield Church: New Service Speaker: Ian Bensted	10.30am

Church News

All are very welcome to our July services. Looking ahead, David will be leaving on 4th September. He will be moving to a job at the Diocese of Oxford helping to train junior clergy in September. He and Rebecca would like to thank everyone very much for your welcome, love and support to us and Jonny in our years here. It has been a privilege to serve these churches and villages and we will miss you.

Prayer of the Month: a prayer of Henry Alford

O God, we have known and believed the love that thou hast for us. May we, by dwelling in love, dwell in thee, and thou in us. Teach us, O heavenly Father, the love wherewith thou hast loved us; fashion us, O blessed Lord, after thine own example of love; shed abroad, O thou Holy Spirit of love, the love of God and man in our hearts. For thy name's sake. Amen

Thought of the Month: Psalm 73: 26-28

My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever ... as for me, it is good to be near God. I have made the Sovereign Lord my refuge; I will tell of all your deeds.

Ukrainian Refugees - How You Can Help

There is a national plan to house refugees. The Diocese, working with Citizens UK, aims to provide homes for 50 refugees.

The UK Government is asking for hosts who commit to provide a home for a minimum of six months, many have already registered to become hosts. Once registered the host has to identify the person/people they want to sponsor The Government then checks the home and possibly DBS check the hosts.

Sponsored Ukrainians can stay in the UK up to three years with the government providing £350pm to the host. The refugee will receive a package of benefits to help them settle.

The Home Office will carry out checks on refugees as part of the visa application process.

The Diocese is looking to:

- 1) register potential hosts.
- 2) identify lead contact and coordinator in each Deanery.
- 3) identify churches as supporters, train volunteers and distribute welcome packs.
- 4) identify and register non-host support e.g. Ukrainian/Russian speakers, those who can provide help with admin/form filling, transport or have links to Ukrainian, Polish, Russian clubs.

To help with any of these or other activities, please contact the Diocese: communications@oxford.anglican.org

To find how the Diocese will support both refugees and host go to www.oxford.anglican.org/ukraine

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