

**The Parish of All Saints' Ockbrook with St Stephen's Borrowash**  
**OUR PURPOSE IS: 'LOVING GOD, LOVING ONE ANOTHER AND LIVING OUT GOD'S**  
**LOVE IN THE WORLD'**

Are you new to our Church?

Welcome to our services, particularly if you are with us for the first time. If you would like to find out more about us please fill in one of the cards in the pews at All Saints' or St Stephen's and we will be in touch.

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2014**

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent**

**All Saints'**

**8.00am** Holy Communion  
2 Cor. 6: 1-10; Matt. 4 1-11  
**11.00am** Holy Communion  
Mark 7: 27-38

**St Stephen's**

**9.15am** Holy Communion  
Mark 7: 27-38



*Items for your prayers...*

Please continue to pray for: Jeanette Williams, Margaret White, Joy and Terry Cordwell, Peter and Margaret Holt, Christine and Edwin Hunt, Hayley Kalinin, Pat Graham, Janet Tonks, Dinah Holyoak, Beryl Haines, Kay Atkinson and Martin Bevis.

Please also pray for the family of Jack Eagle who sadly died last week (a thanksgiving service for Jack's life will be held at All Saints' Ockbrook on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> March beginning at 11.30 am) and for Elaine Bonser and her family, following the death of Elaine's father Denis (details of Denis's funeral TBC).

Please pray this week for the different schools in our community and all the teaching and support staff, as well as all the children who attend. Pray to for the children in our church family (Kid's church) and the young adults (Inspire) and all who give time up each week to lead them.

**A prayer for Ukraine:**

Lord God, guide the international community with wisdom and unity as they seek to respond to unfolding events in Ukraine and especially in the Crimea. May peace and protection for all prevail, and may all national borders be recognised and upheld.

**A prayer for Lent:**

*God our Father, in your love and goodness you have taught us to overcome our sins with prayer, fasting and generosity; accept our Lenten disciplines, and when we fall by our weakness, raise us up by your unfailing mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

*Things you should know about...*

**All Saints' Open Weekend Friday 21st - Sunday 23rd March:** To ensure we have consulted with the local community on our proposed plans for change at All Saints' we are opening up the church over three days. Please do pray that people will come along to give their views, members of the church community are very welcome to come in and spend time in the church while it is open. Please see the posters and website for more details.

To enable the church to be staffed during the weekend, we need volunteers to greet visitors and help record opinions on our plans. If you can spare an hour or two please sign up on the rota which will be at the back of both churches on Sunday.

We would also like people to pray for the open weekend during the times the church is open, 20 volunteers to pray for 1 hour each would be wonderful. Please contact Geoff Peel 01332 583068 or [Geoff\\_peel@hotmail.com](mailto:Geoff_peel@hotmail.com)

**Keeping our website up to date:** our new website includes a calendar showing events and services for up to a year ahead, so if you plan any groups or activities, please let Gemma know ASAP so the website can remain updated.

**The Electoral Roll** is being updated. Being on the ER is a simple way to express that you belong to our church family and to allow you to both stand for and vote in the elections at the AGM. Please fill in one of the forms at the back of either church and return it to Tim ASAP.

**Notices in Sunday services:** please note that in future, it will not *always* be possible to give verbal notices on Sundays due to time restrictions, especially if details of the notice(s) are already listed on the news sheets (Tim Sumpter).

**Bible verse for the week:** 'Because he himself suffered when he was tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted' (Hebrews chapter 2 verse 18).

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## What's on w/c 10<sup>th</sup> March 2014

Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Lent Quiet Day at Convent of Holy Name
Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup>	4.00pm	Inspire Youth Group at GLH (til 5pm)
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Admin meeting at Vicarage.
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Staff meeting at Vicarage
	2.00pm	Kaleidoscope at GLH "Old Curios – Uses & Values" – Terry Marshall
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Holy Communion at St Stephen's
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Shining Stars at GLH
	12 noon	Ecumenical prayer meeting at Moravian Church, Ockbrook; all welcome.
	7.30pm	Bell Ringers meet at All Saints'
	8.00pm	Music Group Practice at All Saints'
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Choir Practice at St Stephen's
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am	Holy Communion at All Saints'
	9.15am	Holy Communion at St Stephen's
	11.00am	Morning Worship All Saints' (baptism of Scarlett Warren)
	1.00pm	Baptism of Toby Summers at All Saints'.
	4.00pm	Inspire Youth Group at GLH (til 5pm)
	6.00pm	Compline at St Stephen's

### Ecumenical Prayer meetings in Lent 2014:

Following the success of the ecumenical prayer meetings for the week of prayer for Christian unity, the ministers have recently agreed to hold the following joint prayer meetings throughout lent, each beginning at **12.00 noon**, to which all are most welcome.

Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup>	March	All Saints' church Ockbrook.
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup>	March	St Hugh's RC church, Borrowash.
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	April	Methodist chapel, Borrowash.
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup>	April	St Stephen's church, Borrowash.

**Church Survey:** Our new website is up and running and other than technical difficulties with images (to do with the website company not us) it all seems to be o.k. If you regularly attend church please do **not** fill in the building survey on the website.

Instead please pick up a survey at the back of church, fill it in and pop it in the box available. This is to gather the congregation's thoughts on the building project at All Saints' Church. Many thanks.

### The Prophet Margin

One of the values of our churches is openness to the Holy Spirit and an expectation that as we meet together, God will move among us, in worship, as the Bible is read and preached, through prayer and by the release of the *charismata* (Holy Spirit's gifts). In light of that, I am going to be offering short sessions – called *The Prophet Margin* – when *any* who wish, can come together to learn more and to experience the *charismata* in a context of prayer and worship.

The first session is on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March from 8.00 – 9.15 pm at the Vicarage in Ockbrook and the theme will be *The Holy Spirit and the Gift of Tongues*. Please let me know if you are coming.

Tim Sumpter (Vicar).

### Pastoral Care Group

If you have, or know someone who has, specific pastoral care needs, please contact one of the group leaders:

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### Notices for the Next News Sheet to be issued w/c 10<sup>th</sup> March 2014

Any notices to be included in the News Sheet, must be with Moira Dick by **no later than 5 pm on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2014. Thank you.**

## Other Notices

**Giving in Faith:** Each year we are encouraged to reflect on financial giving as part of Christian discipleship, which include everyone on the church's electoral roll receiving: details of income and expenditure for the previous year, a proposed budget for the coming year, and a pledge form (so that we can respond personally). This year, Giving in Faith Sunday is 23<sup>rd</sup> March and there will be sermons on the theme at the 9.15 and 11.00 am services. The pledge forms will need to be returned to church on or by Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> April.

**4All service on April 6<sup>th</sup>:** will focus on aspects of the story of Noah and we are all invited to come wearing something in a colour from the rainbow. That afternoon we are hoping to do a cinema trip to see the film "Noah"; TBC once the cinema times have been released

**Easter Eggstravaganza:** we will be running our Easter Social on Saturday 12th April in the afternoon. This should be a really good event for inviting friends, family and neighbours and reaching out to our community.

If you would like to be involved in planning or helping on the day, please contact Gemma.

**Thank you** to Geoff and Izzy Peel for hosting last weekend's Welcome Supper, at which we welcomed 9 new people to our churches. Thanks also to all who came to support the Ash Wed. H/C service at St Stephen's. We had a packed church and many said that it was a very special way of beginning the season of lent.

**Occasional choral events:** Please note that for the Passiontide service (at All Saints' on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> April beginning at 6.30 pm) we will, as usual, have a joint choir. If you are not currently in the choir, but could offer your time and 'voice' just for that service, then please contact Rhoda Salisbury (671530) for more information.