

The Parish of All Saints' Ockbrook with St Stephen's Borrowwash

'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 16th November 2014

2nd Sunday before Advent

All Saints'

8.00am Holy Communion
Gen 32: 24-29; Matt 18: 21-35
11.00am Morning Worship
Acts 1: 1-8

St Stephen's

9.15am Holy Communion
Acts 1: 1-8;
6.30pm Compline



Items for your prayers...

Please pray especially this week for:

Jeanette Williams, Christine Hunt, Mick Caswell, Pauline Fall, Alice Allen, Ivy Johnson, Gwen and Marion Johnson, Trish Cox, Kay Atkinson and Sheila Bye (now at home). Pray too for Richard Czezkalsjy a young father undergoing radiotherapy and chemotherapy.

Alpha Course: Please pray for the finale booked at the Bay of Bengal in Borrowwash on Monday 17th November at which all the guests and the wider team will meet. Pray for all those who have attended the course that they will continue on the journey of faith and grow as disciples of Jesus Christ.

Home Groups: Please pray that as we re-launch the groups in January that many will find them places where they can grow spiritually with others.

Christmas Service: Please pray for all our special Christmas services. Pray for those you intend to invite that they will discover for God's wonderful love in the Christ-child.

Prison Week Prayer (Nov. 16th – 22nd):

Lord, you offer freedom to all people. We pray for those in prison. Break the bonds of fear and isolation that sometimes exist. Support with your love prisoners and their families and friends, prison staff, chaplains and visitors and all who care. Heal those wounded by the actions of others, especially the victims of crime. Help us to forgive one another, to act justly, love mercy and walk humbly with Christ in His strength and in His Spirit, now and always. Amen.

Things you should know about...

All Saints' Roof Work: Starting on 13th November, for approximately 3 weeks roof repairs will be carried out on the nave roof, to which end, two scaffolding access towers will be erected in the graveyard. You are asked to note that at this point in time it is only possible to complete the Nave roof repairs and not those required on the chancel roof.

Christmas Leaflet Drop: The leaflets will be in church at the end of the 9.15am and 11am services this Sunday (16th), please do take some to deliver if you can. If you are not able to be at either of those services but wish to help please contact Gemma Crammond.

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes: the date for collection of the shoeboxes has now been confirmed as Tuesday, 25th November. I would therefore appreciate receiving all the completed shoeboxes by **Sunday, 23rd November**. I will arrange for collection of all the shoeboxes from both churches on this date. If you have a problem with getting your shoebox to church please telephone me on 673281 to make alternative arrangements. I still have a small supply of ready decorated empty shoeboxes at home if required. (35p each). Thank you, Janet Pinchbeck

CONVERGENCE (Sunday 30th November 6.30pm at All Saints')

This will be our second CONVERGENCE service bringing together elements of Christian spirituality and tradition historically separated: Evangelical, Charismatic, Anglo-Catholic and Contemplative (Scripture, Spirit, Sacrament and Silence). The theme this time is *healing* and Rhoda and the choir, as well as a small Music group will lead the worship. The service leader will be the Revd. Tim Sumpter, the Celebrant Fr. Glenn Martin, the preacher Canon Mike Mitton and we will be led into silence by Sr. Pauline (Provincial Superior of the Convent of the Holy Name). Prayer for healing will be offered with Holy Communion and following the service refreshments will be served. Please note that only a **very small** amount of incense will be used just prior to Holy Communion. Do please come and support this unique service.

Open mic night (Sat. 15th November): Please be aware that this event has been cancelled.

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What's on w/c 17th Nov

Saturday 15 th Nov	10.00am	Interactive Lecture at GLH re Nicene Creed
Sunday 16 th		CHRISTMAS LEAFLET DROP STARTS
	4.00pm	Inspire Youth Group at GLH
Monday 17 th	9.30am	Admin meeting at the vicarage.
	7.00pm	Alpha finale at Bay of Bengal
Tuesday 18 th	9.30am	Staff meeting at the Vicarage
Wednesday 19 th	10.00am	Morning Worship at St Stephen's.
Thursday 20 th	9.00am	Shining Stars at GLH
	12noon	Thursdays@noon Prayer at All Saints'
	7.45pm	Bell Ringers meet at All Saints'
	8.00pm	Music Group Practice at All Saints'
Friday 21 st	7.30pm	Choir Practice at St Stephen's
Sunday 23 rd	8.00am	Holy Communion at All Saints'
	9.15am	Holy Communion at St Stephen's
	11.00am	Holy Communion at All Saints'
	4.00pm	Inspire Youth Group

Special December Christmas Services (please refer to regular news sheets for all *usual* services):

Sunday	7 th	9.15am	Christingle	St Stephen's
		11.00am	Christingle	All Saints'
Sunday	14 th	6.30pm	9 Lessons and Carols	All Saints'
Wednesday	24 th	6.00pm	Carols round the Tree	St Stephen's
		11.15pm	Midnight Mass	All Saints'
Thursday	25 th	8.00am	Said Holy Communion	All Saints'
		10.00am	Morning Worship	All Saints'
Sunday	28 th	10.00am	Joint Holy Communion	St Stephen's

Update on PCC Away Day and Questionnaire: Following the last PCC meeting, we have now agreed an amended *2020 Purpose Statement* and some initiatives to help implement that. This information will be circulated soon for comment and will then form part of next year's AGM. Regarding St Stephen's the PCC decided **1.** to continue to review the numbers at the 9.15 am services and the style of services that we currently offer and **2.** to pilot a new service called *Fun, Food & Faith* on Sun. 25th Jan. at 4pm. This will seek to make contact with younger families in Borrowwash and will be supported by the 4ALL Team and members of St Stephen's.

Home Groups: Following a successful training event last week I can now reveal the following: **1.** As of Jan. 2015 the groups will be known as GROWTH GROUPS and will aim to help our churches grow spiritually and numerically; **2.** The established groups will continue and some new groups and new leaders will start, including another post-Alpha group; **3.** There will no longer be an expectation that the groups must study the material from the Sunday sermons (though they can if they wish); **4.** I would like to encourage many more of our church family into growth groups, if you wish to join one please let me know (a list of the groups, their leaders and times of meetings will be available soon); **5.** Someone is thinking about co-ordinating the Growth Groups, more info. on that will follow shortly.

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 17th November 2014

Any notices to be included in the News Sheet, must be with Moira Dick by **no later than 5pm on Tuesday 18th November 2014. Thank you.**

Other Notices

Youth Group Art Project: Back in September, Inspire youth group completed an art piece on conflict and peace in the world today. This is now on display as part of a small exhibition by young people in Derby Cathedral. If you wish to view the exhibition, it is on display until December 1st in St Katherine's Chapel, which can be found within Derby Cathedral.

Voice of Hope: there are a number of copies of the latest issue of Voice of Hope (free) daily reading notes available at the back of both churches. Please help yourself to a copy if you would like one.

Christmas Quiz Night: Please gather a team of up to 6 people and come along to answer questions about the season of Christmas on Saturday 6th December in the Gordon Lacey Hall, Ockbrook, from 7.00pm – 8.30 pm (refreshments will be served). Please sign the sheets which will soon be up in both churches. (Please note that if by Dec. 1st we don't have enough teams this event will be cancelled).

Christingle Services: Prior to these services on Sunday, 7th December we will be preparing the Christingles in All Saints' Church on Saturday, 6th December at 6.30 p.m. Help with the preparation would be very much appreciated. Thank you, Sheila Exley

Christmas Wonderland Event:

Following on from last year's success we plan to run a community focused event to celebrate the Christmas season. This will take place on Saturday 13th December during the day and will be a great event for inviting families, neighbours and friends. More details will follow.

Administrator & Development

Officer Report: Have you been wondering what Gemma has been up to over the last twelve months? Well she has completed a report for the PCC, which can now be viewed at the back of both churches. It will also be on the website to view within the next week.

Borrowbrook Link: is to set up a Friends Group to help with fundraising; information is on the posters in both churches.