

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

Making disciples of Jesus Christ committed to 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 8th May 2016 7th Sunday of Easter

All Saints'

8.00am Holy Communion
1 Peter 4: 7-11; John 15: 16-27
11.00am Morning Worship
Acts 1: 1-14

St Stephen's

9.15am Holy Communion
Acts 1: 1-14
4.00pm Messy Church



Items for your prayers...

Please pray this week for: Elaine Bonser (back in hospital following knee surgery), David Scott (now in residential care in Lace Maker's Court, Long Eaton), Jeanette Williams, Rhoda Salisbury and her family, Mark Connor, Eve Allsop, Peter Holt, Barrie and Margaret Wilson, Mick Bailey, Marianne Bailey, Sheila Bye, Terry & Joy Cordwell, Jason & Scott Thomas, Stan & Erika, and Catherine Roberts.

Julia and Tom Ambrose give warm thanks for all the kind thoughts, personal messages and prayers from those at church.

Please also pray for the young people in our church family who will soon be taking their GCSE, A-S and A-Level examinations (Tim Sumpter).

A Franciscan Prayer of Blessing:

May God bless you with discomfort at easy answers, half-truths, and superficial relationships, so that you may live deep within your heart.

May God bless you with anger at injustice, oppression, and exploitation of people, so that you may work for justice, freedom and peace.

May God bless you with tears to shed for those who suffer pain, rejection, hunger and war, so that you may reach out your hand to comfort them and to turn their pain into joy.

And may God bless you with enough foolishness to believe that you can make a difference in the world, so that you can do what others claim cannot be done, to bring justice and kindness to all our children and the poor.

Things you should know about...

A call to Pray: In the week leading up to Pentecost the Archbishops of Canterbury and York are calling for a '*wave of prayer across our land in all churches...*' In response to this we are having a 24/7 prayer day from 5pm on **Friday 13th May** to 5pm on **Saturday 14th May**.

Thanks to all who have signed up. The list will be available again in this Sunday's services. The list divides the day up into ½ hour slots and you are asked to sign your name against at least one slot, and then pray at that designated time.

If you wish to get together with others to pray IE a Growth Group, that is fine. You can pray at home, or request a church key from one of the wardens or Tim. For ideas and resources: www.thykingdom.co.uk Tim will also craft some prayers and specific prayer topics which can be used and will be available via email before the day.

Christian Aid Week 15th - 21st May 2016: The Anglican churches are working together with Borrowash Methodist and the Moravian Church in Ockbrook again this year. All congregations will be sharing the delivery of donation envelopes to all houses in the parish with an information leaflet to explain how to donate envelopes at a variety of locations. An ecumenical coffee morning will again be held at the Methodist Church Hall - on Saturday 21st May 2016 - to raise further funds for Christian Aid. If you are able to help with the **delivery** of envelopes, can bake for the coffee morning or offer to help for an hour at the coffee morning, I would appreciate if you would let me know – Chris Grocott cjgrocott@hotmail.com 01332679801

Message from Prayer Ministry Team -Tim's call to focus on Prayer: Whether you are a Star Wars aficionado or not, I'm sure last Sunday's **4LL** service enthused us all with the importance of prayer in the life of the church at every level. Please give time and thought to ways in which you could be involved. If you are in a Growth group that's a great place to start but you might like to get together with one or two other people on a regular basis. Think about the areas of church life that are especially on your heart: leaders, Sunday worship, youth and children's work, the building project and so on. Please listen to what God may be saying to you as we look at the prayer life of the early church, Sunday by Sunday (Betty, Ann, John and Lecky).

Summer Service Rotas and Additional News Sheets: are now available, for hard-copies please ask one of the Church Wardens.

Happy 90th birthday on May 11th to Philip Churchman!

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What's on w/c 9th May 2016

Sunday 8 th May	4.00pm	NO WOW or Inspire Youth Group at GLH
	4.00pm	Messy Church at St Stephen's
Monday 9 th	11.00am	Worship planning at Vicarage
Tuesday 10 th	9.30am	Admin. Meeting at Vicarage
	2.00pm	Kaleidoscope at the GLH.
Wednesday 11 th	10.00am	Holy Communion at St Stephen's
	7.00pm	4ALL Team meet at the Vicarage
Thursday 12 th	9.00am	Shining Stars at GLH
	7.45pm	Bell Ringers meet at All Saints'
	8.00pm	Music Group Practice at All Saints'
Friday 13 th	5pm	24/7 PRAYER DAY Begins
	11.00am	Choir Practice at St Stephen's (note new time).
	7.30pm	Fashion Show at Borrowwash Methodist
Saturday 14 th	5pm	24/7 PRAYER DAY ends
Sunday 15 th	8.00am	Morning Prayer at All Saints'
	9.15am	NO SERVICE
	11.00am	Christian Aid at MORAVIAN (no hunger lunch)
	4.00pm	WOW Youth Group at GLH
	5.00pm	Inspire Youth Group at GLH

Thank you to those who are regularly praying for our worship services. If you wish to come early and join them in the church buildings, please do so.

A prayer for our services: *O Lord, open our eyes to your presence, our minds to your grace, our lips to your praises, our hearts to your love, our lives to your healing and may your presence be found amongst us always. Amen.*

Some Information and Diary Dates for May 2016:

From May to July inclusive, in our main 9.15am and 11.00am Sunday services we will be exploring the sermon theme: **Acts of Prayer**, looking at how the book of Acts and the expansion of the early churches was predicated on prayer. There will also be details of upcoming prayer-meetings when we can come together as a church family and pray for ourselves, our community, our nation and our world.

Sunday 8th May: Within the 11.00am service Ben and Anna (surname withheld at their request because of the sensitivity of the mission context) will be sharing details about their future ministry in North Africa. Their 10-minute testimony will be an inspiring account of how God has brought them together and called them to a specific place.

Messy Church: Our May event is running on **Sunday 8th May** at 4pm in St Stephen's church, Borrowwash. The theme is *The Holy Spirit & Pentecost* and we will be having the usual mix of arts & crafts, stories, songs and lots of food.

Christian Aid Week (15th -21st May): On **Sunday 15th May** there will be a joint (Ecumenical) service with the other churches in the parish, beginning at 11am in the Moravian Church in Ockbrook. Please note there will be no Hunger Lunch (though refreshments will be served following the service) and there are no 9.15am or 11am services on this day. And please look out for details about Christian Aid week, leaflet distribution and collection points, in our regular news sheets.

Joint Service: There will be a joint service on **Sunday 29th May** in St Stephen's beginning at 10.00am. Please note as this is a 5th Sunday there are no other services in the Anglican churches in the parish on this day.

Notices for the Next News Sheet to be issued w/c 9th May 2016

Any notices to be included in the News Sheet, must be with Moira Dick by **no later than 5pm on Tuesday 10th May 2016. Thank you.**

Other Notices:

Faculty to remove pews from side aisles in All Saints' Ockbrook:

The Diocesan Chancellor has written to inform me he has not granted permission for this faculty, as the proposed changes were too minor, though there was support from most of the All Saints' attendees, the DAC, HE and other amenity bodies. We had decided to begin by making incremental changes but, in response The Judge writes: *'There may now be strong reasons for putting forward a comprehensive plan for re-ordering...'* Following the PCC meeting last week, myself and reps from the Working Party (Buildings) will meet with our architect and begin to craft a re-submission, taking the Judge's comments into consideration.

The judge has given us permission to continue to relocate the side pews at All Saints', as we require, until 30th June 2017, *'...or such further period as may subsequently be allowed, for the purpose of framing a more comprehensive plan for reordering the interior.'* (Tim Sumpter).

The new PCC are as follows: Mike Allwood (Warden), Anne Anderson (Asst. Warden), Irene Broadhurst (Asst. Warden), Nat Cochrane, Chris Connor, Annette Dale, Chris Grocott, Chris Johnson, Chris Morrison, Ian Oliver, Peter Parkin (PCC Secretary), Geoff Peel, Barrie Read (Warden), Hilary Seeley, Martin Shaw (Lay Chair and Hon. Treasurer), Tim Sumpter (Chair) and Betty Tyler

Pastoral Care: I am forming a new Pastoral Care Group to offer care to church family members unable to attend church. The first meeting is planned for **Tuesday 17th May** from 2pm to 3pm at the Vicarage. For more information, please be in touch (Tim Sumpter).

Kaleidoscope: Next Meeting will be Tuesday 10th May at 2pm at GLH – David Harris will be talking about their chosen charity **Derbyshire Children's Holiday Centre**

Fashion Show: at the Methodist Church Hall on **Friday 13th May** at 7.30 p.m. Tickets £5 to include a £1 raffle ticket and available from Helen Alexander (574285), Thelma Spence (730952) or from JC Hairdressers.

Easy Fundraising: Has now raised **£632.23** www.easyfundraising.org.uk