

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 16th October 2016

21st Sunday after Trinity

All Saints'

8.00am Morning Prayer

Eph 6: 10-20; John 4: 46-end

11.00am Holy Communion

Isaiah 40: 1-11

St Stephen's

9.15am Holy Communion

Isaiah 40: 1-11

6.30pm Compline



Items for your prayers...

Please pray for: Alice Allen, Barry Wilson, Pauline Johnson, Margaret Brennan, Ann Jacklin, Edna Rose, Ingrid Whitehouse, Margaret White, David Scott, Eve Allsop, Sheila Bye, Terry & Joy Cordwell, Jason & Scott Thomas, Don Fisher, Stan & Erika and Maureen Gittins. Sadly, **Mark Connor's** operation was postponed until the new year. Mark and Chris are obviously devastated by this news. Please do hold them both in your prayers at this time.

Please also continue to pray for **Emma Peel**, as well as Issie, Geoff and Lily and the wider family.

Please continue to pray for **The Leprosy Mission (LM)** and for Keith Greatorex, our link. There are cards in both churches from the LM thanking the two congregations for recent donations.

Bird of Pray,

hovering over

the vast expanse of overwhelming need,

borderless-presence, freed

from all constraints to

brood anywhere, everywhere, always.

Bird of Pray,

soaring high

on wild thermals,

prophetic-eye

unblinking on a world in mess,

nesting insight deep in praying hearts,

stirring compassion

to fashion

groans that words cannot express.

Bird of Pray,

strengthening the weak

to take their stand with kneeling-hearts,

giving them the will to dare

to journey to the need,

becoming the answer to their prayer,

a tiny mustard seed

of mountain-moving hope. (Tim Sumpter)

Things you should know about...

The balconies at All Saints': we have been advised by Ecclesiastical Insurance that the front support is too low and they therefore pose a danger, especially to children. Please be advised the balconies are not to be used until further notice (Tim Sumpter).

Annual Review of Worship Services: On Nov. 1st the PCC will carry out the annual review of all our worship services. Any changes made will be minuted and will be implemented for one year until the next review, when as usual, changes can be rescinded, continued or adapted. If you have anything to contribute, then please contact Tim or any PCC member ASAP via email, a letter or a conversation.

Annual Service of Remembrance and Hope: on Sunday November 6th in All Saints' beginning at 6.30pm. Invitations have gone out to all families for whom we have led funerals and Thanksgiving Services over the last year. A number have already been in contact to say they are coming. This event gives precious space and quiet for individuals to remember loved ones, and to reflect on grief and the Christian hope. Borrowash Coop Funeral Care have kindly supplied the service orders and Ruth will read the first Bible reading. Please note that **ALL** are most welcome to this service which will end with refreshments (Tim Sumpter).

Operation Christmas Child: Leaflets for this year's Christmas Shoebox appeal are available at the back of both churches and give details of the type of items to be included. The Shoeboxes will be collected in November - date to be confirmed. Please contact Janet Pinchbeck 673281 if you have any queries.

Church Security: Following a request from the Diocese and in light of the recent terror attacks in a French church, the PCC talked last month about security issues, especially in relation to our public services and Kids' Church. If you have any reflections or suggestions about this issue, please speak to Mike Allwood.

Message of thanks from Myra & Nikki: A big thank you all for your prayer concerning Helen, Fernando, Jay & Grace. We'd be grateful for your continued prayers especially as Helen is hopefully about to be released from hospital at the end of the week having suffered a relapse & will be in need of our prayers even more. Many Thanks.

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What's on w/c 16th October 2016

Sunday 16 th Oct	4 .00pm WOW Youth Group at GLH til 5pm 5.00pm Inspire Youth Group at GLH til 6pm
Tuesday 18 th	Please note that Tim will be in Wales all day today
Wednesday 19 th	10.00am Morning Worship at St Stephen's
Thursday 20 th	9.00am Shining Stars at GLH 7.45pm Bell Ringers meet at All Saints' 8.00pm Music Group Practice at All Saints'
Friday 21 st	Derbyshire schools ½ Term break begins today
Sunday 23 rd	11.00am Choir Practice at St Stephen's (PLEASE NOTE NEW TIME) 8.00am Holy Communion at All Saints' 9 .15am Holy Communion at St Stephen's (guest preacher – Dr Margaret Barker) 11.00am Morning Worship at All Saints' (guest preacher – Dr Margaret Barker)
Sunday 30 th	4 .00pm WOW Youth Group at GLH til 5pm 5.00pm Inspire Youth Group at GLH til 6pm 10.00am Joint 5 th Sunday H/C service at St Stephen's with guest preacher Revd. Alida Dring (nee Petty). Please note there's no other services in the Anglican churches in the parish today.
Monday 31 st	Derbyshire schools ½ Term break ends today

DECEMBER

Special Advent & Christmas Services

(please refer to news sheets for all regular services)

Sunday 4 th December	9.15 am All Age Christingle at St Stephen's 11.00 am 4ALL Christingle at All Saints'
Sunday 18 th December	6.30 pm 9 Lessons and Carols at All Saints'
Saturday 24 th December	6.00 pm Carols Round the Tree at St Stephen's 11.15 pm Midnight Mass
Sunday 25 th December	8.00 am BCP Said Holy Communion at All Saints' 10.00 am Family Worship at All Saints'

Messy Church: Please note that our December event has been postponed and has been moved to **Sunday January 8th** in St Stephen's Borrowwash, beginning at 4.00 pm. The theme is "The Epiphany".

ALPHA

This year's Alpha party is on Tuesday November 15th beginning at 7pm in the church hall, Ockbrook. The 2017 Alpha course is on Tuesday evenings, beginning at 7pm in the church hall. The dates and themes are below. Do please pray about the course and invite family, friends, neighbours and colleagues along. For more information, do speak to the Alpha Coordinator Elaine Bonser on 606621.

Jan 10 th	Who is Jesus?
Jan 17 th	Why did Jesus die?
Jan 24 th	How can we have faith?
Jan 31 st	Why and how should I pray?
Feb 7 th	Why and how should I read the Bible?
Feb 11 th	Day Away (3 short talks on the Holy Spirit)
Feb 14 th	Does God heal today?
Feb 21 st	What about the church?
Feb 28 th	Curry night

Notices for the Next News Sheet to be issued w/c 17th October 2016

Any notices to be included in the News Sheet, must be with Moira Dick by **no later than 5pm on Tuesday 18th October 2016. Thank you.**

Some Other Events:

Autumn Joint Services:

1. Sunday 30th October: 10.00 am in St Stephen's (as this is a 5th Sunday there are no other services in the Anglican churches in the parish on this day).

2. Sunday 13th November: 9.15 am in St Stephen's (please note as this is Remembrance Sunday there is no 11.00 am service today).

3. Sunday 25th December: 10.00 am in All Saints'.

Prayer&Praise: On Wednesday 2nd November in All Saints' beginning at 8.00pm. There will be space in this informal service for an extended time of Music Group led sung worship, personal testimonies (giving anyone opportunity to share what God has been doing in their lives), opportunity to receive prayer as well as to pray for others, and refreshments. All are welcome to this event and it is hoped that the Growth Groups will all attend.

Alpha Party 2016: at the church hall on Tue. 15th Nov. beginning at 7pm. This will lead into an Alpha course beginning in early Jan. 2017. For more details, please speak to Elaine Bonser.

9 Lessons and Carols: It has just been confirmed that the new Bishop of Repton, The Rt Revd Jan McFarlane, one of the first female bishops in the C of E and the first in Derby Diocese, will be preaching at our 2016 Carol Service at All Saints', on Sunday December 18th at 6.30pm. Please put this date in your diary now, and come along with family and friends for what promises to be a wonderful occasion.

Derbyshire School Term Dates

5th September to 21st October.
31st October to 20th December.
(Please check school websites for Inset Days).

Please note that Tim will be off work for ½ Term from Sat. Oct. 22nd to Sat. Oct. 29th inclusive. For all parish matters within this time, please contact the Church Wardens in the first instance.

Easy Fundraising has now raised £827.52