

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

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 January 2017 The Baptism of Christ

All Saints'

8.00am Holy Communion

Rom 12: 1-5; Lk 2 41-52

11.00am Holy Communion

Acts 10: 34-43; Matt 3: 13-end

St Stephen's

9.15am Holy Communion

Acts 10: 34-43; Matt 3: 13-end

4.00pm Messy Church



Items for your prayers...

Please pray for: Helen Staniland, Freya, Peter Bagley, Mary Hodges, Christine Hunt, Barry and Margaret Wilson, Margaret Brennan, Ann Jacklin, Edna Rose, Margaret White, David Scott (in hospital with pneumonia), Eve Allsop, Sheila Bye, Terry & Joy Cordwell, Jason & Scott, Stan, and Mark Connor.

Please pray for the family of Claire Paton, who was murdered in Borrowwash just before Christmas. Claire's funeral is at Derby Cathedral on Friday 20th Jan. beginning at 1pm. Tim is taking this service at which all are most welcome.

Issie, Geoff & Lily are pleased to announce that they brought **Emma** home on Thursday 15th December. Please continue to pray for the family as they adjust to this next phase of family life together. Praise the Lord. Love Issie, Geoff, Lily and Emma. Xxxx

The following prayer will be used at our annual Renewal of Baptism Vows services. It is printed here to give us all time to ponder its challenge:

Lord God, we are no longer our own, but Yours. Put us to what you will, rank us with whom you will; put us to doing, put us to suffering; let us be employed for you or laid aside for you, exalted for you or brought low for you; let us be full, let us be empty; let us have all things, let us have nothing; we freely and wholeheartedly yield all things to your pleasure and disposal. And now, glorious and blessed God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, you are ours and we are yours. We rededicate our lives to Your service. Amen.

Things you should know about...

Christmas Services: Once again all our special Christmas Services were very well attended, some were numerically the largest we have ever had! Thank you to all who worked so hard to make these events so fruitful (Tim).

Knowing Jesus and making Jesus known: This is the theme for the sermon series running in our main Sunday 9.15/11.00am morning services. We will be working through the lectionary as we journey towards Easter, taking time to reflect on the life and teachings of Jesus and their resonance and relevance for us today

Renewal of baptism vows: Each year we renew the promises we made at our baptisms as a way of recommitting our lives to the Way of Jesus Christ. We will be doing this in the main 9.15 and 11.00am services on Sunday 8th January 2017.

Messy Church Christingle: Our first Messy Church of the year is in St Stephen's Borrowwash this Sunday 8th January at 4pm. This event is for all the family, especially those with young children. There will be crafts, stories, songs and refreshments. A good opportunity to invite family and friends who don't normally come to church

Joint Service: There will be a joint service on **Sunday 29th January** in All Saints' at 10.00 am. We will be welcoming back Peter Goddard the manager of the Cathedral Bookshop as our Guest Preacher at this service. Please note there are no other services in the Anglican churches on this day.

Intercession training: We are grateful for all those in our church family who offer intercessions in our worship services. This short training session will offer guidelines for crafting intercessions, and resources that can be used. It will be a refresher for those already on the rota and guidance for those thinking about offering this ministry. The session will follow the joint service on Sunday January 29th at All Saints', once refreshments have been served and is anticipated to run from 11.45 am to 12.30 pm. Do please sign up on the sheets at the back of both churches.

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What's on w/c 8th January 2017

Sunday 8 th	4.00pm	Messy Church
	4.00pm	No WOW or Inspire Youth Group
Monday 9 th	10.00am	Clergy, Wardens and Readers meet at the Vicarage
Tuesday 10 th	7.30pm	PCC meet at the GLH
Wednesday 11 th	10.00 am	H/C St Stephen's
	7.00pm	4ALL Team meet at 22 Collumbell Ave. Ockbrook
Thursday 12 th	9.00am	Shining Stars at GLH
	12.00 noon	Funeral of Kathleen Barwise (John's mother at Markeaton Crematorium).
	7.45pm	Bell Ringers meet at All Saints'
	8.00pm	Music Group Practice at All Saints'
Friday 13 th	11.00am	Choir Practice at All Saints' (NOTE CHANGE OF TIME)
Sunday 15 th	8.00am	Morning Prayer at All Saints'
	9.15am	Holy Communion at St Stephen's
	11.00am	Morning Prayer at All Saints'
	4.00pm	WOW Youth Group Meeting at GLH (til 5pm)
	5.00pm	Inspire Youth Group Meeting at GLH (til 6pm)
	6.30pm	Compline at St Stephen's

Tim will be preaching at Borrowwash Methodist Chapel on Sunday 15th Jan. at the 10.30 am service.

Spring Rotas and Additional News Sheets: have now been distributed. There are some hard copies at the back of each church.

Some Spring Events

January

Week of prayer for Christian unity: Once again, the local ministers will be meeting to pray and extend an invitation to all to come and join in at the following venues each day from 12.00 noon – 12.30 pm:

Monday	16 th	All Saints'	Ockbrook
Tuesday	17 th	Methodists	Borrowwash
Wednesday	18 th	Moravian	Ockbrook
Thursday	19 th	St Stephen's	Borrowwash
Friday	20 th	St Hughes	Borrowwash

February

Messy Church: Our messy church event is on Sunday Feb. 12th at 4pm in St Stephen's.

Giving in Faith: Each year we have an opportunity to reflect on financial giving in support of the local church, as part of our Christian discipleship. This will be on Sunday 26th Feb. in the morning services. In preparation for this an information booklet will be prepared and sent to everyone on the church electoral roll and will include income and expenditure for the last year and a proposed budget for 2017/18.

March

Ash Wednesday Holy Communion with Ashing: Since the early church, Christians have received ash on their foreheads on Ash Wednesday as a sign of penitence to begin the season of Lent. We will be continuing this ancient practice in St Stephen's on Wednesday 1st March at 7.00 pm. Please note this service will have an Anglo-Catholic feel and the preacher and celebrant will be Fr. Glenn Martin.

Quiet Day: On Sat. 4th March at the Convent of the Holy Cross in Cosstock (near Loughborough) from 10.00 am to 4.00 pm (including Holy Communion with the Sisters at 12.00 noon). This day, led by Tim, is designed for those who wish to recharge their spiritual batteries. There will be room for up to 16 retreatants, so please look out for the sign-up sheets at the back of each church. There will be a charge of £5.00 for the day. Please bring packed lunches and drinks and lifts will be provided.

Messy Church: Our messy church event is on Sunday March 12th at 4pm in St Stephen's.

Women's World Day of Prayer: This service is on Friday 3rd March in Borrowwash Methodist Chapel, beginning at 10.30 am. For more details please check regular news sheet and speak to Sheila Exley (673771).

Mothering Sunday (26th March): Small posies will be given out to each lady in our services today.

Some Other Events/Items:

Cleaning & Flower Rotas for All Saints': Joyce Wild is looking for volunteers to become part of the team of cleaners and flower arrangers for All Saints'. If you would like more information, please contact Joyce on 01332 678300

Refreshments All Saints' – Sylvia Wood would like to thank all helpers on the Rota who have given of their time throughout the year. Sylvia is handing over the sum of £250, which will go towards our building fund. If anyone would like to volunteer to help on the refreshment Rota, please let Sylvia know. Many Thanks.

Anne & Ian Frearson are planning a slideshow, about our trip to Kenya and the school with which we are involved at All Saints on Sunday 22nd January 2017 at 2.30pm. They are also hoping to do another one on Friday 20th January 2017 at Borrowwash Methodist. There will be a charge of £4, which would include tea/coffee and cake during the interval. Donations of cakes welcome. For further details please contact Anne Frearson

Easy Fundraising has now raised £945.02. Thank you to everyone who shopped online over the last 12 months via Easy Fundraising to help raise this amount. We appreciate there are other schemes which people can sign up to raise money for other charities and even top up Child trust funds and/or Child ISA funds, but if you are able to please continue to activate donations whilst you are shopping online to raise more money for the Church; the link is www.easyfundraising.org.uk If you require further assistance or advice on how to register please contact Moira.

Our next fund raiser will be on Saturday 18th February when we will be entertained by the Sandiacre Male Voice Choir. 7.00pm for 7.30pm. Tickets will be £6.50 incl. refreshments. I will be in touch nearer the time for people to make some homemade cakes!! Watch this space. Tickets will be available mid-January from members of the fundraising team, i.e. Anne Anderson & Betty Tyler for St. Stephen's and Val and John for All Saints'.

Notices for the Next News Sheet to be issued w/c 8th January 2017

Any notices to be included in the News Sheet, must be with Moira Dick by **no later than 5pm on Tuesday 10th January 2017. Thank you.**