

Additional News Sheet Information January – April 2018

January

The Message of Romans: This is the theme for the sermon series running in our main Sunday 9.15/11.00 am morning services - exploring the meaning and relevance of the New Testament Book of Romans. The aim of this series is exegetical, rather than motivational, and therefore to work *slowly* through the entire book. In this series we will be focusing on chapters 1 to 5. Please prepare by reading through Romans, and by reading one of the many commentaries which can be purchased from Amazon or Derby Cathedral Bookshop.

Prayer Breakfast: Saturday 6th Jan. 8.30 am at 192 Cole Lane Borrowash (please let Geoff or Issie Peel know if you are staying for breakfast from 9.00 – 9.30 am).

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 11.00 am 4ALL service on Sunday 7th January.

Week of prayer for Christian unity-Thursdays 18th to the Thursday 25th Jan: 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	22 nd	All Saints'	Ockbrook
Tuesday	23 rd	Methodists	Borrowash
Wednesday	24 th	Moravian	Ockbrook
Thursday	25 th	St Stephen's	Borrowash
Friday	26 th	St Hughes	Borrowash

Question Time: A chance to ask questions of the local Ministers about '*Life, Death & the Universe*' on Wed. 24th January 7.00 pm at St Hughes RC church, Borrowash. Please let Tim have your questions using tmsumpter@hotmail.co.uk

February

Prayer Breakfast: Saturday 3rd Feb. 8.30 am at 192 Cole Lane Borrowash (please let Geoff or Issie Peel know if you are staying for breakfast from 9.00 – 9.30 am).

Messy Church: Our messy church event is a Messy Breakfast on Saturday 10th February 9.30am at the Gordon Lacey Hall.

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 14th February at 7.00 pm. Please note this service will have an Anglo-Catholic feel and the preacher and celebrant will be The Rev Norma Bracewell.

Hot Potato Evening Tuesday Feb. 27th 7.00 pm: Come along with friends from all local churches to the Royal Oak Function Room in Ockbrook. We begin with a Jacket Potato and filling. We then have a short presentation on a 'Hot Issue' from the two sides of the debate. That is followed by an opportunity to ask questions and make comments. Price of Potato and filling only £4.50. Please sign up on sheets at the back of each church and indicate if you need a lift.

March

Prayer Breakfast: Saturday 3rd March. 8.30 am at 192 Cole Lane Borrowash (please let Geoff or Issie Peel know if you are staying for breakfast from 9.00 – 9.30 am).

Quiet Day: On Sat. 3rd March at the Convent of the Holy Cross in Costock (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 £8.00 for the day which will all go to the Convent. Please bring packed lunches-drinks and lifts will be provided.

Social event – Long Eaton Silver Prize band: Saturday 3rd March in All Saints' Ockbrook beginning at 7.30 pm. Details will be on regular news sheets.

Messy Church: Our Messy Church events this month will take place at Redhill Primary School and Ashbrook Infant school as afterschool clubs. Dates and times to be confirmed.

Women's World Day of Prayer: This service is on Friday 2nd March in St Stephen's church, Borrowash, beginning at 10.30 am. The service has been created by the women of Suriname and entitled: *All God's creation is very good*. For more details please check regular news sheet and speak to Pat Parker (674113).

Mothering Sunday (11th March): Small posies will be given out to each lady in our services today.

Coffee Morning at St Stephen's: Saturday, 17th March beginning at 10.00 am.

April

Prayer Breakfast: Saturday 7th March. 8.30 am at 192 Cole Lane Borrowash (please let Geoff or Issie Peel know if you are staying for breakfast from 9.00 – 9.30 am).

Messy Church: Our Easter Messy Church is a chance to celebrate through crafts, games and lots of fun! Running on Sunday 8th April at 4pm in St Stephen's.

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

Monday	26 th March	Reflective service	7.00pm	St Stephen's
Tuesday	27 th March		7.00pm	All Saints'
Wednesday	28 th March		7.00pm	St Stephen's
Thursday	29 th March		7.00pm	All Saints'
Friday	30 th March	Open air service	12.00 noon	CO-OP car park
		Hour at the Cross	2.00pm	St Stephen's
Sunday	1 st April	Said Holy Communion	8.00am	All Saints'
		Sung Holy Communion	9.15 am	St Stephen's
		Family Communion	11.00am	All Saints'

AGM: This will be on the morning of Sunday 22nd April 2017 and will take place as follows: There will be a short joint service of Morning Worship at All Saints' beginning at 10.00 am. At 11.15 am, following light refreshments, the AGM will commence. Lifts will be arranged for those who need them, and more details will be on our regular news sheets.

General Information

Guest preachers: As well as our regular team, we welcome the following preachers: The Rev Norma Bracewell to the 7.00 pm Ash Wednesday service & the 9.15 am and 11.00 am services on Mothering Sunday; the Rev Peter Strong, at the joint service on April 29th beginning at 10.00 am at St Stephen's.

Joint Services (please refer to regular news sheets for all *usual* services):

There are three joint morning services throughout this period and when these fall on 5th Sundays, there will be no other services in the Anglican churches in the parish.

The services are as follows:

Sunday 25th Feb. 10am St Stephen's
Sunday 22nd April 10am All Saints' (followed by the AGM)
Sunday 29th April 10am St Stephen's (5th Sun & guest speaker: P Strong)

Spring School Term Dates (please note there are occasional variation due to inset days):

First term: 2nd Jan (Tue) to 16th Feb (Fri)
Half term: 19th Feb (Mon) to 23rd Feb (Fri)
Second term: 26th Feb (Mon) to 23rd March (Fri)
Easter hols: 26th March (Mon) to 6th April (Fri)

Clocks Change: on Sunday March 25th - spring forward by one hour as British Summer time begins.

PCC Meetings: Including all dates up to the 2019 AGM, so those considering standing for the PCC in 2018 can avoid booking holidays on these dates:

The PCC meets at 7.30 pm in the church hall on:

2018

Tuesday 9th January
Tuesday 6th March
AGM – Sunday 22nd April in All Saints' at 11.15 am
Tuesday 5th June
Tuesday 4th September
Tuesday 6th November (including annual review of worship services)

2019

Tuesday 8th January
Tuesday 5th March
AGM – Sunday 28th April in All Saints' at 11.15 am

Standing Committee meetings - in the vicarage at 1.30 pm on the following:

2018

Wed. Feb. 7th
Tue. May 9th
Tue. July 5th
Tue. Oct. 3rd
Tue. Dec. 5th

2019

Tue. Feb. 5th

Full Staff meeting: clergy, readers & wardens meet at the Vicarage, beginning at 10.00am on:

Tuesday 9th January

Tuesday 6th February

Tuesday 6th March

2018 Coffee Mornings at St Stephen's, all beginning at 10.00 am: Saturday, 17th March; Saturday, 22nd September and Saturday, 8th December.

Check website for all details:

www.allsaints.ockbrook.com/www.ststephens.borrowwash.com

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