

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

*Creating a safe space for taking risks in Christ's name*

## WELCOME

If you are curious and have come to see,  
If you are weary and have come to rest,  
If you are grateful and wish to give thanks,  
If you are hurting and have come for comfort,  
If you are listening and have come to pray,  
If you are seeking and have come for answers,

**WE WELCOME YOU IN CHRIST'S NAME!**

## Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2017 The Epiphany

### All Saints'

**8.00am** Holy Communion  
Rom 12: 1-5; Luke 2: 41-52  
**11.00am** 4All

### St Stephen's

**9.15am** Morning Worship  
Isa44: 6-end; John 1: 19-34



## Items for your prayers...

**Please pray for:** Revd Alan and Margaret McGregor, Jeanette Williams, Mary Hodges, Janet Hoban, Sheila Bye, David Scott, Margaret Brennan, Ivy Johnson, Michael Hart, Shirley & Philip Churchman, Christine Hunt, Barry and Margaret Wilson, Ann & John Jacklin, Terry & Joy Cordwell, Megan Roberts, Jason Thomas, Gary Tyler (Keith & Betty's Nephew), Dr Sheila Sykes (who would love to have visitors - please contact Jane Legg on 01332 662500 for details).

Please pray for Zoe Sumpter, her father Stuart, sister Kerry and all the family as they travel to Kettering on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> Jan. for Chrissie's funeral: 2pm family committal at the Crematorium and 2.30pm service of Thanksgiving at Christ the King Church. Thank you for the many cards and calls offering condolence and prayer.

Please also pray for David and Kathy Ward - and their son in law Jack Donnelly - and all their families, following the recent death of their daughter Susan. Susan's funeral will take place on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> Jan: 10.30am family committal and 11.15am service of Thanksgiving in All Saints' Ockbrook.

Please pray for Working Party (Buildings) as they continue with protracted task of gaining the requisite permissions for us to begin work on All Saints'. Pray too for the 2018 initiative we are planning by which we hope to raise interest and financial gifts for the project from our community.

Jesus is the Thought, Seed, Promise, Hope and Sustainer. May the Thought become a Seed in your life; may the Seed be planted in your soul as a Promise; may the Promise grow in your heart and birth Hope in your core, and may Hope be your Sustainer throughout 2018 and always!

## Things you should know about...

**Christmas Services:** Thank you to all who helped make our 2017 Christmas services so special. We had, as usual, some very large congregations for the special services and we have received many positive comments both verbally and via email. Thank you also to the 8 folks who joined me to pray in the new year at All Saints' Ockbrook from 11.30pm Dec. 31<sup>st</sup> to 12.30 am Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> (Tim).

**Prayer Breakfast:** Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> Jan. 8.30 am at 192 Cole Lane Borrowwash (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 7<sup>th</sup> 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.

**Building Fund Update:** thank you to all those from our church family who have now sent in their pledges, so far, we have raised £62,500 (including Gift Aid). If you haven't given yet, it isn't too late. You can send in: **1.** A cheque MPT *The Ockbrook with Borrowwash PCC* along with your pledge form, in an envelope marked All Saints' Building Fund. **2.** Cash, along with your pledge form, in an envelope marked All Saints' Building Fund. **3.** Set up a Direct Debit with your bank to pay the amount monthly. Please contact Martin Shaw about this on - 01332 661569 or [martinshaw47@gmail.com](mailto:martinshaw47@gmail.com)

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## What's on w/c 7<sup>th</sup> January 2018

Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2018	8.30am	Prayer Breakfast at 192 Cole Lane
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup>	5.00pm	Youth Alpha at GLH
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup>	4.30pm	Drama Group at GLH
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup>	2.00pm	Kaleidoscope at GLH – Marie a Pilates Instructor
	7.30pm	PCC at GLH
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Holy Communion at St Stephen's
	7.00pm	4ALL Team meet at Ele's
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Shining Stars restarts 4 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2018
	7.45pm	Bell Ringers meet at All Saints'
	8.00pm	Music Group Practice at All Saints'
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am	Choir Practice at St Stephen's
	6.30pm	WOW Youth Group
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am	Holy Communion at All Saints'
	9.15am	Holy Communion at St Stephen's
	11.00am	Holy Communion at All Saints'
	4.00pm	Messy Church at St Stephen's
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup>	9.15am	Staff meeting at Vicarage
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup>	11.15am	Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Susan Donnelly - (formally Ward) at All Saints' Ockbrook.

### January 2018

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

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

### February 2018

**Prayer Breakfast:** Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 10<sup>th</sup> 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 14<sup>th</sup> 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. 27<sup>th</sup> 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.

### Other Items:

**£130:** Ecclesiastic Insurance is celebrating 130 years of service to the community, and is offering our church £130 for every home insurance taken out with Ecclesiastic Insurance this year. The PCC decided that for each insurance that is taken out the PCC will "refund" £65 back to the folk who take up the offer. There is a poster in each Church with the details

### Weddings booked so far for 2018 in All Saints':

Fri. 26<sup>th</sup> Jan. at 2.00 pm.  
Sat. 26<sup>th</sup> May at 12.30 pm.  
Sun. 27<sup>th</sup> May at 2pm.  
Sat. 18<sup>th</sup> Aug. at 2.30 or 3.00 pm.  
Thur. 23<sup>rd</sup> Aug. at 12.30 pm.

**Chancel window All Saints':** We are anticipating the window will be refitted sometime early in the new year, along with the stonework repairs.

**Kaleidoscope:** Next Meeting is to be held 9<sup>th</sup> January at GLH at 2pm – Marie a Pilates Instructor

**Coffee Rota at All Saints:** thanks to my team of helpers throughout the year and to all who provide cakes on our 4 All Sunday - it is very much appreciated. I will be handing over £300 for the Church Building Fund. I would like to invite any church members to join our list for the coffee rota, if only to cover when people are sick or on holiday. It would make it easier for our current small team. Sylvia Wood

**Easy Fundraising:** is a simple way to raise funds for our churches. To join: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/nvite/HPKA7C> It takes you through 3 steps. We have raised **£1260.82** to date. Please chat to Nat or Moira with any questions.

**Co-op community fund** - Thank you to those who have nominated the All Saints' Church Building Project as their chosen cause. **£34.34** has been raised so far. Please consider picking up a card & nominating us for the next 11 months.

### Notices for the Next News Sheet to be issued w/c 7<sup>th</sup> January 2018

Any notices to be included in the News Sheet, must be with Moira Dick by **no later than 5pm on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2018 Thank you.**