

Prayer & Reflection

The Benefice prays for:

- Those who are called to serve on our PCC's
- Our Ministry Team supporting Balsall Heath & Edgbaston church during their interregnum.
- Plans for a container to go to Malawi in June.
- For the leaders of the nations, for wisdom, courage and compassion.

Prayers are asked for:

Margaret Brown, Pat Dowell, Sam Wylie, Lucy Charles, Matthew, Hannah and Bethany Davies, Nick Ball, Jocelyn Bennett, Jeanette Riddick, Daniel Herman, Sylvia Gold, Alan Jones, Ruth Greenhalgh, Ian Spence, Harry Rawlings, Fred & Pat Burrows, Jon Montgomery, Sue & John Williams, John & Sue Withey, Debbie Baker, Roger Howling, Bal and Louise, Paul Jones, Sheila Boylan, Graham Underhill, Ryan and Kelly, Rachel Clarkson, Betty Clarke, Jade Phipps, Suki Cornfield, Sean Brady.

Souls of the Departed:

Giles Osborne

We celebrate the Birthdays of:

Toby Harlin, Keisha Mayhew (2nd), Claire Charman, Harry Rainbow (3rd), Annabel Webb (4th), Hansa Shah, Tallulah Stevens (5th), Marie Cooper (6th)

Thought for the day:

Luke 24:13-36

Luke recounts the experiences of two disciples as they walked the seven miles from Jerusalem to Emmaus on the day of the Resurrection. They were feeling bereaved, dispirited and demoralised after the crucifixion of the man they had hoped would "redeem Israel.. These two disciples knew about the events at the tomb that morning: perhaps, they had been present and had listened in disbelief to the women's story of the empty tomb, the message from the angels and Mary Magdalene's encounter with the risen Christ. For a brief moment, Mary failed to recognise Jesus. This is understandable, as she may have been dazzled by the bright morning sunlight or may have still been in shock from her encounter with the angels. This contrasts markedly, however, with the journey to Emmaus, when Jesus walked and talked with His two disciples for a considerable length of time and yet, almost inconceivably, they failed to recognise Him.

Luke creates a sense of mounting suspense as they walked with this man who seemed unaware of the recent events in Jerusalem but was able to explain, with great authority, all that the Scriptures foretold about the Christ. He dispelled their misconceptions about the redemption of Israel and still they did not know their teacher.

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Welcome to St Mary's & St Anne's Moseley Sunday 30 April 2017 3rd Sunday of Easter

Morning Readings: [Acts 2:14a:36-41](#) (p. 115)

[Luke 24:13-35](#) (p. 86)

Holy Communion with Baptism at St Mary's 8:00 a.m.
Sung Eucharist at St Mary's 10:00 a.m.
Sung Eucharist at St Anne's 11:00 a.m.
Service of Healing & Wholeness at St Mary's 6:30 p.m.

Collect

Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

Future Services

Sunday 7 May – Easter 4

Holy Communion at St Mary's 8:00 a.m.
Sung Eucharist at St Mary's 10:00 a.m.
Sung Eucharist at St Anne's 11:00 a.m.
Messy Church at St Anne's Church 4:00 p.m.
Evensong at St Mary's 6:30 p.m.

Sunday 14 May – Easter 5

Holy Communion at St Mary's 8:00 a.m.
Sung Eucharist at St Mary's 10:00 a.m.
Sung Eucharist at St Anne's 11:00 a.m.
Evensong at St Mary's 6:30 p.m.

Preparation

Before each service you are invited to use the time for prayer and preparation for worship. Children are welcome and we want them to be safe whilst they are with us.

Parents and carers should be aware that our church is open to the public and they should therefore be aware of where their children are in the building at all times when they are not part of organised activities.

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Did Jesus deliberately shield his true identity from them and, if so, why? Perhaps, He needed the disciples to listen and come to a true understanding, without the emotional distraction of knowing that they were in the presence of the resurrected Jesus.

The poignancy and beauty in this story comes with the dramatic revelation, when He broke bread at the end of their shared journey, that the stranger who had opened the Scriptures to them and caused their "hearts to burn" was none other than the risen Christ.



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Welcome

If you are here for the first time, please do introduce yourself to a sides-person or priest. There is a loop system for the hard-of-hearing available in the nave at St Mary's and in all parts of the church at St Anne's.

Lighting a Candle

Please feel free to light candles to pray for someone. Candle stands are in the Magnificat Chapel at the end of the North Aisle in St Mary's. Prayer boards are also adjacent.

Your Offering

A collection for the work of the church is usually taken during each service. There will also be a collection from the parents in the children's groups. Please use the Gift Aid envelope. The Churches will reclaim 25p of tax on every £1 that you give. Standing order and Gift Aid forms are available in both churches. Please see John Gray at St Anne's or Stephen Lewis or Paul Chew at St Mary's.

Contact details for our Administrator, Vicar, Associate Vicar & Wardens (inc. Hall Bookings)

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This week

Monday 1 May

9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer in St Mary's

Wednesday 3 May

9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer at St Anne's
6:00 p.m. Silent-space in St Mary's Lady Chapel
7:30 p.m. Joint PCC meeting in St Anne's Church

Thursday 4 May

10:00 a.m. Open church at St Mary's
12:00 p.m. Prayers for Palestine/ Israel at St Mary's
12:30 p.m. Holy Communion at St Mary's
6:30 p.m. 'Brumdingers' at St Mary's

Friday 5 May

10:00 a.m. Open church with Pastoral Team, St Mary's

Saturday 6 May

10:30 a.m. Coffee and Co. at St Mary's
Joint PCC Away Day

Notices

St Anne's APCM

Today, Sunday 1 May, 12 noon, St Anne's Church.

Publicity Assistant

The Friends of St Mary's Choirs and Music are looking for a publicity assistant to help produce posters, advertising copy and press releases etc. If you are computer savvy and fancy an extra entry on your CV please contact John Carey (j.r.carey@talktalk.net). This might suit an enterprising teenager!

St Anne's April Charity

This month we focus on the refugee agency 'Restore'. There is a plate for donations and a box for gifts of non-perishable food at the back of the church. *Thank you.*

Prayer Circle

Tuesday 9 May, 6:40 p.m., St Anne's Church Vestry
The Prayer Circle will meet for a time with the Bell-ringers. The Vestry door is on the left of the church towards the back. There will be an opportunity to go up the tower if you wish.

Recorder Concert

Saturday 7 May, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m., St Peter's Church, Hall Green

There are 8 free tickets available for a recorder concert. The participants are Pistibend (Czech group), HERO (Heart of England Recorder Orchestra) and BSRS/BSRE (Birmingham Schools Recorder Sinfonia/Ensemble). Contact Glyn Samuel for a ticket gsamuel@st-philips.com or telephone 0121 449 1139. Otherwise £7.00 on the door.

Drama 13 Presents ...

Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 11th to 13th May, 7:30 p.m., New Life Baptist Church Hall, Kings Heath (opp. ASDA)

"The Darkling Plain" is a new comedy by Bea Roberts, set in the 1940's. Tickets are £6. Contact John Dowell on 449 3332.

Wine Tasting evening

Saturday 13 May, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., St Mary's West room.
Tutored wine tasting by Mark Stammers. All are welcome. Organised by FSMCM. Wines supplied by Connollys. Tickets at the door £9 (members £7). Details from John Carey (Tel: 449 2506).

Fairtrade stall

Sunday 28 May, 11:00 a.m., St Anne's church.

Benefice Lunch

Sunday 14 May, 1:00 p.m., St Anne's hall.
Minimum donation of £5.00. Activities for all the family. All monies raised will go to Christian Aid. If you are able to provide a pudding, please let Angela or Janet know through the Benefice office. Sign-up sheets are on the welcome desks in each church.

Christian Aid Week

Sunday 14 to Sunday 21 May

Christian Aid week will soon be here and there are several activities. Our focus is on refugees. Please visit the Christian Aid website to download games and activities for your children.

- *Sunday 14 May:* Benefice Lunch (see above)
- *Saturday 20 May:* 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., Afternoon Tea with Elisabeth Leicester at Flat 14, Sinclair Court, 29 Park Road, Moseley. For catering purposes please phone 0121 449 8995 to confirm that you are coming.
- *Sunday 21 May:* YSMAA are holding a big breakfast after the St Mary's 10:00 a.m. service. Come to church with empty tummies and enjoy bacon butties, croissants, etc!

We are always in need of new house-to-house collectors. The more roads we cover in Moseley, the more funds we make for Christian Aid! Please collect a pack from the table, or speak to Julia Kilby 449 0559. *Thank you.*