

## Prayer & Reflection

### The Benefice prays for:

- Those in our congregation who are full-time carers for members of their family.
- Our Ministry Team supporting Balsall Heath & Edgbaston church during their interregnum.
- Efforts all over the country for Christian Aid week.
- 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, Mark Midgley.

### Souls of the Departed:

Eileen Morris

### We celebrate the Birthdays of:

Penny Batsford, Margaret Gosney, Diane Hirst (14th), Indigo Masters (17th), Emily Walker (18th)

### Thought for the day

by *Elisabeth Leicester*

"So what happened in the end?" The attraction of many stories rest on the escape of a character from a desperate difficulty. But in real life the situation may be somewhat different. One wonders how Stephen felt when he was attacked by a violent mob. (Acts 7:57).

Did he know of Jesus' words, "Let not your hearts be troubled." (John 14:1). The scripture does tell us that he saw Jesus welcoming him.

In the Christian Aid prayer paper for this special week we read, "Nejebbar fled violence in Afghanistan, but her hopes for a safe, peaceful future for her family feel like a distant dream". It seems little has changed since Stephen's ordeal, but perhaps many find encouragement in Jesus' words, and often a refugee of a different faith will say, "Please pray for me".

In my Bible the heading over John chapter 14 reads "Jesus comforts His disciples". As his friends, we can offer comfort to others – perhaps simple companionship, a shared meal, a supportive phone call. By our prayers and gifts we may have the privilege of helping some refugees' dream of a "safe, peaceful future" come a little closer.

## Welcome to St Mary's & St Anne's Moseley Sunday 14 May 2017 5th Sunday of Easter

Morning Readings: [Acts 7:55-end](#) (p. 122)

[John 14:1-14](#) (p. 105)

Evening Readings: [Zechariah 4:1-10](#) (p. 895)

[Revelation 21:1-14](#) (p. 257)

We welcome Christian Aid Speaker Jill Stone at the 10:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services.

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.

### Collect

Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

### Future Services

#### Sunday 21 May – Easter 6

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.

#### Sunday 28 May – Easter 7

Holy Communion at St Mary's	8:00 a.m.
Sung Eucharist with Baptism 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.

### Moseley Car Park – changes to charging

From Thursday 1 June the car park in Moseley is both increasing its charges and introducing charges for 24 hours a day. Please do not be caught out.



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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 15 April**

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

#### **Wednesday 17 April**

9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer at St Anne's

#### **Thursday 18 April**

10:00 a.m. Stay & Play in St Mary's West Room  
10:00 a.m. Bell-ringing in St Mary's Church  
12 noon 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 19 April**

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

#### **Saturday 20 April**

10:30 a.m. Coffee and Co. at St Mary's

## Notices

### Thank you from Trish Everett

A huge thank you to everyone for the gifts and celebration after the service on 30th April. Special thanks to Angela for the lovely cake she made. It has been a privilege to serve as Churchwarden for the last six years and I have enjoyed every minute of it. I would like to thank everyone who has helped and supported me, I couldn't have done it without you. *Trish Everett*

## Confirmation

Confirmation groups for adults and young people in school year 5 and above will begin in May, meeting once a month, with the confirmation service on Sunday 19th November.

The group for adults takes place during the Sunday morning service, and the group for young people takes

place at 4:00 p.m. on a Sunday afternoon.

Please contact Hazel via the Church office if you are interested in joining a group this year.

## Christian Aid Week

*Sunday 14 to Sunday 21 May*

Christian Aid week is 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:* Sunday lunch at St Anne's church hall. For those who have booked in advance.
- *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.*

## Moseley @ the movies

*Wednesday 17 May, 7:30 p.m., The Vicarage*

We meet to continue our exploration of money.

## Praying for Moseley

*Wednesday 17 May, 7:45pm, St Columba's (either in the vestry or in the Church)*

A chance to join with local Christians to pray for our village.

## Saturday Morning Coffee Concert

*Saturday 27 May, 11:00 a.m., St Mary's church*

The next in this series of concerts will be given by Jeanne Conard Jones (Mezzo Soprano) who will bring us 'Songs for a Spring Morning'.

## Fairtrade stall

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

## Container for Malawi

*Please bring any items by Sunday 4 June*

Moseley Churches Together are collecting items for the container for Malawi which the Diocese is sending on Saturday 10 June. There is a box at the back of both churches for contributions.

We are collecting school furniture, writing materials, books, children's shoes and school bags, haberdashery, wool, knitting needles, cloth, women's jerseys and flat shoes, babies' and children's clothes, sheets, blankets, thin duvets, bedspreads, woodwork and garage tools, computers, mobile phones and cameras.