

Prayer & Reflection

The Benefice prays for :

- Those in our congregations who work as physiotherapists or occupational therapists.
- Children and young people returning to school, and those starting school for the first time.
- Rachel Barwell beginning a year in Honduras volunteering with Project Trust.
- For Matt, Michelle & Ellie Thompson as they move into Moseley & for Matt preparing to take up his post as Dean of the Cathedral.
- Coram Voice providing advocacy for vulnerable children.
- For the leaders of the nations, for wisdom, courage and calm passion.

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 Burrows, Sue Corlett, Sue & John Williams, John & Sue Withey, Debbie Baker, Roger Howling, Bal and Louise, Paul Jones, Sheila Boylan, Ryan and Kelly, Rachel Clarkson, Betty Clarke, Jade Phipps, Suki Cornfield, Sean Brady, Mark Midgley, Joan Dakin, Sheila Perks.

We celebrate the Birthdays of:

Brenda Johnson (11th), Olivia Chew (13th), George Lewis, Tammy Tearoe, Ava Bennett, George Brown (15th), Jaimie Sheehan (16th)

Thought for the Day by Michael Perrier:

This morning's readings on the face of it seem an odd pair: the exhortation of St. Paul to the people of Rome to be patient in their current suffering in the certain knowledge of future glory, and the appearance of the Archangel Gabriel to Mary with the news of her motherhood to the Son of God. However, Gabriel's news to Mary brought not the unalloyed joy of a parent welcoming a longed-for pregnancy but rather the invitation to a life of trial, tribulation and pain with not yet the promise of future glory.

The fact that Mary so willingly accepted God's invitation, stepping into the unknown with only her faith for reassurance, is one reason we reverence her today, the Patronal Festival of St. Mary's, and one of the many reasons that the Catholic Church sees her in glory at the right hand of her son.

It is in remembrance of Mary's faith that we see St. Paul's exhortation to the Christians in Rome to be strong in their current suffering. The Spirit will uphold, God will guide and future glory will be theirs if they trust and remain steadfast. After all, unlike Mary, they had the example of Jesus who walked our human road, ... (Continued on front page)

Welcome to St Mary's & St Anne's Moseley Sunday 10 September 2017 St Mary's Patronal Festival

Morning Readings: [Romans 8:18-30](#) (p. 154)

[Luke 1:26-38](#) (p. 54)

Evening Readings: [Song of Solomon 2:1-7](#) (p. 634)

[Acts 1:6-14](#) (p. 114)

Holy Communion at St Mary's 8:00 a.m.

Joint Eucharist at St Mary's 10:00 a.m.

No Service at St Anne's today

Evensong at St Mary's 6:30 p.m.

Collect

Almighty God, you search us and know us: may we rely on you in strength and rest on you in weakness, now and in all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Future Services

Sunday 17 Sept – Trinity 14

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 24' Sept – Trinity 15

Holy Communion at St Mary's 8:00 a.m.

Sung Eucharist St Mary's 10:00 a.m.

Sung Eucharist with Baptism 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

The car park in Moseley has now both increased its charges and introduced charges for 24 hours a day. Please do not be caught out.

Thought for the Day (Continued from back page)

... suffered, died and rose again to glory.

Are we as willing as Mary to "trust and obey"? When we are presented with difficult choices do we turn to prayer, strengthen our faith and accept God's challenge? After all, unlike Mary and the early Church, we have the benefit of 2000 years of saints and leaders to point the way and uphold us on the journey.



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We!come

If you are here for the first time, please do introduce yourself to a sidesperson 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 Jamie Sheehan at St Anne's or Stephen Lewis or Jenny Jupe at St Mary's.

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

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This week

Monday 11 September

09:00 a.m. Morning prayers at St Mary's

Wednesday 13 September

09:00 a.m. Morning prayers at St Anne's
6:00 p.m. 'Silentspace' in St Mary's Lady Chapel
7:30 p.m. Growing Leaders in St Mary's West Room

Thursday 14 September

10:15 a.m. Stay & Play at St Anne's
10:00 a.m. Open Church at St Mary's
12:00 p.m. Prayers for Palestine/ Israel, St Mary's
12:30 p.m. Holy Communion, St Mary's

Friday 15 September

10:00 a.m. Open Church at St Mary's

Saturday 16 September

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

Notices

St Mary's Patronal Festival Lunch

Sunday 10 September, St Mary's Church.

Today we celebrate the Patronal Festival, and after the morning service, a lunch will be served following refreshments. Monies raised will be donated to our Benefice charities.

Preaching the windows:

A sermon series exploring Anglican identity Sundays at 6:30 p.m. in St Mary's Church. This evening Revd. Duncan Strathie will introduce the series with a sermon on 'The Venerable Bede'.

Minister on placement

Many of you will know Fiona Elvins, who is the Lay Minister at St Columba United Reformed Church in the

village. She has been accepted to train for ordination within the URC, and as part of her training is spending six months in the benefice exploring what it means to be Anglican. Please do make Fiona welcome and if she asks any questions she's not being nosy, it's to help with her training.

Silentspace

Now running on Wednesday evenings in St Mary's Lady Chapel, Peter Alcock is hosting a new series of *Silentspace*. The sessions take place between 6:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Prayer Circle

Tuesday 12 September, 7:30 p.m., the Vestry at St Anne's church (the door is on the left side of the church towards the back)

At the next Prayer Circle we will be making prayer stations for both churches on the subject 'New steps'. Please bring any materials on this topic which you would like to contribute. Please contact Liz Blzakey, Helen McNicoll or Elisabeth Leicester for more information.

Art exhibition

Sunday 3 September – Sunday 15 October

A selection of artworks by Joyce Rimmer is now on display in the Kings Heath Church Café.

A new START!

Starting on Tuesday 12 September 7:30 p.m., St Mary's West Room

God, Jesus and the journey of life in six one hour sessions with DVD clips, discussion, time for reflection – and cake! If you are new to the Christian faith or to church, or if you've got questions about life and the Christian faith, this could be for you. Although this will run for six Tuesday evenings, it's fine to come along if you can't make all of them. Take a look at the flyer on the Welcome desk to see more. If you want to participate, or have any questions, contact the church office.

Prayer Vigil for Peace

Wednesday 20 September, 7:30 p.m., St Mary's

As part of the World Week for Peace in Palestine and Israel, there will be a special Prayer Vigil for Peace. It will be followed by refreshments.

Oberammergau Excursion

If you would like to be included in the 2020 tour to Oberammergau to see the Passion play, please contact the church office. Initial deposits (£50) should be sent to the church office by Friday 22 September. For more information please look at the notice on the internal noticeboards.