

Prayer & Reflection

The Benefice prays for:

- Our children and young people during their school holidays, and those awaiting exam results.
- Keturah and her children as they visit Uganda and South Sudan this summer.
- 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.
- Medecins Sans Frontieres helping severely malnourished children in Northern Nigeria.
- 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, 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:

August

Beatrice Thompson (6th), David Morris, Miriam Samuel (7th), Layla and Neave Callaghan-Rutter (8th), Ella Saunders (9th), Lucy Ellis (10th), Rebecca Doyle, Debbie Barwell (11th), Mara Livermore (16th), Matthew Stevens (17th), Neil McLeod (19th), Abigail Peet (23rd), Becky & Ian Greenhill (24th), Sarah Samuel (25th), Olivia Freeman (26th), Lauren Walker (28th),

September

Nigel Blakey, Isabelle Rehman, Luisa Baldwin (2nd)

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.

Welcome to St Mary's & St Anne's Moseley August 2017

Sunday 6 August – Transfiguration

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| 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. |
| Compline at St Mary's | 6:30 p.m. |

Morning Readings: [2 Peter 1:16-19](#)

[Luke 9:28-36](#)

Evening Reading: [2 Corinthians 3](#)

Collect

Father in heaven, whose Son Jesus Christ was wonderfully transfigured before chosen witnesses upon the holy mountain, and spoke of the exodus he would accomplish at Jerusalem: give us strength so to hear his voice and bear our cross that in the world to come we may see him as he is; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Sunday 13 August – Trinity 9

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

Morning Readings: [1 Kings 19:9-18](#)

[Matthew 14:22-33](#)

Evening Reading: [Acts 14:8-20](#)

Collect

Gracious Father, revive your Church in our day, and make her holy, strong and faithful, for your glory's sake in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sunday 20 August – Trinity 10

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| 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. |
| Compline at St Mary's | 6:30 p.m. |

Morning Readings: [Isaiah 56:1;6-8](#)

[Matthew 15:21-28](#)

Evening Reading: [Acts 16:1-15](#)

Collect

Lord of heaven and earth, as Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent in prayer, give us patience and courage never to lose hope, but always to bring our prayers before you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



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Sunday 27 August – Trinity 11

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| Holy Communion at St Mary's | 8:00 a.m. |
| A shorter form of Eucharist at St Mary's | 10:00 a.m. |
| Sung Eucharist at St Anne's | 11:00 a.m. |
| Compline at St Mary's | 6:30 p.m. |

Morning Readings: [Isaiah 51:1-6](#)
[Matthew 16:13-20](#)

Evening Reading: [Acts 17:15-end](#)

Collect

God of glory, the end of our searching, help us to lay aside all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom, and to give all that we have to gain the pearl beyond all price, through our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Welcome

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 Administrator, Associate Vicar & Wardens (inc. Hall Bookings)

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This month

Mondays (except for 28th August)

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

Wednesdays

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

Thursdays

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

Fridays

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

Saturdays

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

Notices

Children's Groups

Children's groups at both Churches will resume after the summer break.

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!

Parish Breakfast

Due to holidays there will be no Parish Breakfast during the month of August. All are welcome when Parish Breakfast resumes on Sunday 3 September.

Benefice Lunch: Sunday 6 August.

Unfortunately we will have to cancel the Benefice lunch on Sunday 6 August due to improvements being carried out in St Anne's hall. Apologies for any inconvenience this causes. The Hospitality team.

Prayers for Moseley

Wednesday 16 August, 7.45pm., St Columba's Church
There will be one hour of prayer for Moseley. All are welcome.

Thought for the day by Julia Kilby:

The Transfiguration of Jesus, Luke 9:28-36

The story of Jesus' transfiguration is a difficult one. In the midst of all the miracles that he performed, Jesus takes Peter, James and John up onto a mountain to pray. Jesus becomes brightly illuminated and is then seen to appear with the great prophets Moses and Elijah. They discuss Jesus' departure, and are then engulfed in a cloud, during which the two prophets of the Old Testament leave Jesus. The disciples are described as initially being sleepy, but then as the prophets are leaving they try to make the moment last by offering to build shelters for Jesus, Moses and Elijah. They are then sworn to secrecy about this event.

Was it all a dream? Who actually recounts the story? Does it matter?

The main event creates an impact because it describes something that is beyond human possibility. It highlights Jesus, quite literally, as someone to be considered as more than human, and declared by God to be His Son. It makes the stories of his amazing miracles even more impactful. If we weren't impressed already by what Jesus could do, this story should do it.

What impresses me most, though, is that the story appears in the middle of Luke 9, sandwiched between the feeding of the five thousand and the healing of the mentally deranged boy. Jesus leaves his day job for a short time, experiences something amazing, then returns and continues his work in the same way as before, not telling anyone about the event. That suggests an immense humility. Can we follow him?