

## Prayer & Reflection

### The Benefice prays for:

- The pastoral care we offer to one another, praying especially for the Pastoral Team as they continue their training.
- Rachel Barwell continuing a year in Honduras volunteering with Project Trust.
- The Children's Society working with unaccompanied refugee children who have fled conflict.
- 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, Sylvia Gold, Alan Jones, Ruth Greenhalgh, Ian Spence, Harry Rawlings, Fred Burrows, Sue Corlett, Debbie Baker, Roger Howling, John & Sue Withey, Sue & John Williams, 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, Mohammed Saleem (Sandy).

### Souls of the Departed:

William Clarke

### We celebrate the Birthdays of:

Katherine Barwell, Jack Jervis (15th), Benjamin Leigh (17th), Philip Simons (18th), Charlie Roberts (19th), Joshua King (20th)

### Thought for the Day by Vernon Batsford

The Gospel Reading today is yet another of those parables Jesus used to illustrate his teachings in a form that is understandable to those who hear it. At this distance in time it is difficult to comprehend the meaning of them – times and people have changed and the meaning of the parables is far from obvious to today's readers. Certainly they cannot be taken too literally.

Most parables seem to refer to the pursuit of a belief in God as taught by Jesus and this is probably a good example of that.

The invitation to the wedding is an invitation to follow the teachings of Jesus. The first invitees refused on the grounds that they were too busy looking after their own interests. Perhaps the servants who were killed represented martyrs who were murdered for their faith. The man who attended in the wrong clothing must be someone who appeared, wishing to be seen to be there, whilst not actually accepting the teachings of Jesus. In general terms it perhaps means that the self-righteous are not welcome.

While the language may not be relevant to those of us reading it today, the message certainly is even though it is open to many different interpretations.

## Welcome to St Mary's & St Anne's Moseley Sunday 15 October 2017 18th Sunday after Trinity

Morning Readings: [Isaiah 25:1-9](#) (p. 662)

[Matthew 22:1-14](#) (p. 023)

Evening Readings: [Proverbs 3:1-18](#) (p. 597)

[1 John 3:1-15](#) (p. 237)

Holy Communion at St Mary's 8:00am

Sung Eucharist at St Mary's 10:00am

Sung Eucharist at St Anne's 11:00am

Evensong at St Mary's 6:30pm

### Collect

God, our judge and saviour, teach us to be open to your truth and to trust in your love, that we may live each day with confidence in the salvation which is given through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Future Services

#### Sunday 22 October – Trinity 19

Holy Communion at St Mary's 8:00am

Sung Eucharist with Baptism at St Mary's 10:00am

Sung Eucharist at St Anne's 11:00am

Evensong at St Mary's 6:30pm

#### Sunday 29 October – Last Sunday after Trinity

Holy Communion at St Mary's 8:00am

Sung Eucharist St Mary's 10:00am

Sung Eucharist at St Anne's 11:00am

Service of Wholeness & Healing at St Mary's 6:30pm

### 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.

### Christmas Shoeboxes

We hope to send boxes again this year. On 15th, 22nd, 29th Oct and 5th Nov there will be cartons at the back of both churches for your kind gifts. Suggestions for items are posted on the cartons. Packing of boxes will take place in St Anne's Hall from 2:30pm to 5:00pm on Monday 6 November. Please come and help. Samaritans Purse (the parent organisation) has had to increase the cost of transport to £5 per box, so financial donations are also welcome. Enquiries to: Debbie Barwell tel 449 7690 or Elisabeth Leicester tel 449 8995.



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

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## This week

### Monday 16 October

09:00am Morning prayers at St Mary's  
7:30pm Safeguarding Training in St Anne's Church  
7:30pm Pastoral Care Training in St Anne's Hall

### Tuesday 17 October

7:30pm St Anne's PCC in St Anne's Vestry

### Wednesday 18 October

09:00am Morning prayers at St Anne's  
10:00am Funeral of William Clarke at St Anne's Church. Followed by Burial at Kings Norton Cemetery at 11:30am  
6:00pm 'Silentspace' in St Mary's Lady Chapel  
7:30pm Moseley at the Movies

### Thursday 19 October

10:15am Bellingring at St Mary's  
10:15am Stay & Play in St Anne's Church  
12:00pm Prayers for Palestine/ Israel, St Mary's  
12:30pm Holy Communion, St Mary's

### Friday 20 October

10:00am Open Church at St Mary's

### Saturday 21 October

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

## Notices

### Refreshments

All proceeds from the sale of refreshments at St Mary's during the month of October will be donated to the Bible Society, one of St Mary's charities.

### Fairtrade stall

The Traidcraft stall is at St Anne's today.

## Praying for Moseley

Join with local Christians for one hour to pray for our village. The next meeting is on 18th October at 7:45pm in St Columba's Church Hall.

## SC1 Safeguarding Training

*Monday 16 October, 7:15 for 7:30pm, St Anne's Church*  
Attendance is required for everyone who volunteers to work with children and young people, and is also recommended for PCC members, those who volunteer to work with vulnerable adults, and those in a position of trust such as welcomers and sidespeople. Please book your place via email [info@moseleybenefice.org.uk](mailto:info@moseleybenefice.org.uk)

## Thursday Thinkers

*Thursday 19 October, 10:00am – 11:30am, 47 Moor Green Lane*

Please bring a Bible. We will be reading the Book of Ruth. Please contact the office in advance if you have not attended previous meetings as space is limited.

## Embrace the Middle East

St Anne's charity for October is [Embrace the Middle East](#), a Christian charity which tackles injustice, poverty and exclusion in the Middle East and supports transformational projects which help vulnerable and marginalised people to achieve their full potential. There will be a cake sale on Sunday 22 October in aid of the charity, and a plate for donations will be on the welcome desk at the back of the church throughout October.

## School Admissions 2018

If you are applying for a place for your child for September 2018 at Moseley C of E Primary School and require confirmation of church attendance, you will need to bring your completed school Additional Information for Admissions Form (available on the [school website](#)) for Revd Hazel or Revd Duncan to sign on one of the following dates:

- Sat-4-Nov; 10:30am-12:30pm, St Mary's Church.
- Sat-18-Nov; 2:00-4:00pm, St Anne's Church.

Coffee and tea will be available during these times.

**Please note:** it is not our practise to sign forms on a Sunday before or after church services when the priority of our clergy is worship and pastoral care of the congregation.

## Russian Choir Concert

*Thursday 26 October, 7:30pm, St Mary's Church*

The Voskresenije Ensemble perform Russian Sacred Music and Folk Songs. Tickets £12 (Under 18 years £8)  
Book via Eventbrite:

<https://stmarysmoseleypetersburg.eventbrite.co.uk>

Or by post from 7 Melbury Grove, Kings Heath B14 6BN.

## DemCaf-Edgbaston.

Coffee, tea and activities for people with dementia and their carers. At St George's Church, Westbourne Crescent, B'ham B15 3DQ. Opening 7th November 2017. Session times: 10:30am – 12.30pm, first Tuesday of the month. (excluding Jan and April 2018) For further information contact [eve.a.kirby@gmail.com](mailto:eve.a.kirby@gmail.com)