

# St. Lawrence Church & St. Mary's Church Newsletter 8th October 2017

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# Welcome to Church on the Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Sunday 8th October 7:45am Holy Communion Morning Worship Evening Worship Lay led Lay led 10:30am 6:30pm

Tuesday 10th October 9:00am Morning Prayer - at Knightley Church

(Note time change) Holy Communion 9:15am

Thursday 12th October Play & Praise 2:15pm 6:40pm Choir Practice

Sunday 15th October 7:45am Holy Communion Kathryn Joint Service of Holy Communion 11:00am Kathryn

(Note time change) Led by Roman Catholics 6:30pm **Evening Worship** 





The Church is open every day Monday - Saturday from 9.00 am to 5.00 pm. and Sunday between Church Services



# NORBURY HARVEST LUNCH SUNDAY 15TH OCTOBER.

12.30 for 1.00pm - Norbury Village Hall. Adults £10.00. Children £5.00 (Bring your own drinks)

We are serving a hot roast gammon meal. Please book asap if you would like to join us. 01785 284463

WINNERS OF SEPTEMBER DRAW

1st Geoff Milsom £20 Margaret Darke 2nd £15 Phyllis Walton 3rd £10 Kath Bradley



Can I remind all those who have a Children's Society box that they are due for emptying please.

They can be dropped off at St Lawrence Church where I will pick them up, you can drop them round at my house: 3 Pear Tree Close Tel: 824349 or you can wait for a

pick up from your house from the beginning of November.

Every penny collected goes towards helping so many vulnerable children. So on their behalf Thank You Very Much.

Yvonne Cannell (Coordinator)



It's that time of year again! Leaflets are available at the back of church about the Operation Christmas Child shoe box appeal. If you would like to fill a shoebox please take a leaflet. If you need a box to fill or would like to know more please contact Adie Harris,

adieharris13@btinternet.com or 01785 284027 Boxes need to be returned to church, Adie or The Rectory,

Woodseaves by 29th October and require a suggested donation of £5 to cover shipping costs.

#### PCC MEETING OF WEDNESDAY 16TH OCTOBER

If anyone has anything they want brought up under AOB at the PCC meeting on the Monday 16th October, please contact Kathryn.

# **Year's Mind**

Rosa Jones Barbara Ruth Welch Lewis Eileen Armstrong Susan Lane Florence Sarah Bolton

## CHURCH SERVICES AT MORETON

Sunday 15th October Holy Communion at Gnosall at 11am with Kathryn

(no service at Moreton)

Sunday 22nd October Holy Communion at 9am with Rev Stephen Sunday 29th October United Benefice Service at Knightley (no service at Moreton)

#### DAILY OPENING AND CLOSING OF THE CHURCH



Christian

Food Bank

We would like to continue to keep the Church open through the winter months but for reduced hours. These would be from Monday 30th October 2017 until Saturday 31st March 2018. The suggested opening and closing times being from 10.00 am until 3.30 or 4.00 pm. We are very appreciative of those who have been on the summer rota, but we are appealing for others to join

Please consider joining the rota. If you are able to do so, or have any questions, please contact Bob Winfield

#### PRAYER CHAIN

Please remember that we have a prayer co-ordinator who every fortnight sends around names of people to be included in our prayers. If you would like to receive this list then please contact Hayley - h\_a\_p@hotmail.com We also produce a paper version that can be sent to people as well.

### THE BOOKING OF BAPTISMS AND WEDDINGS ACROSS THE BENEFICE

For enquires concerning baptisms and weddings please contact Rev Kathryn. 01785 284050 rev.kathrynh@gmail.com

# ADVENT RETREAT

We are thinking of booking some places at Shallowford House for a day away at the beginning of Advent to re-charge our batteries. It will be on December 4th from 10am to 4pm. The day is entitled 'Knowledge speaks - Wisdom listens and is being led by Rev Mark Rodel. there will also be time for personal reflection. The day includes refreshments and a two course lunch and will cost

If you are interested in taking part could you let Kathryn know please as we would like to book as soon as possible.

# CHRISTIAN FOOD BANK

Please do remember that we collect tinned food here at the back of church that is collected every two weeks and taken to the Food Bank at Stafford. Your donations are appreciated. Please bring any tinned food to the box at the back of church - making sure the tins are well within their sell by date. Thank you.

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# **Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity**

8th October 2017

# Collect

Gracious God, you call us to fullness of life: deliver us from unbelief and banish our anxieties with the liberating love of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

# Philippians 3:4b-14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: <sup>5</sup> circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; <sup>6</sup> as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. <sup>7</sup> Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. <sup>8</sup> More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ <sup>9</sup> and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. <sup>10</sup> I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, <sup>11</sup> if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. <sup>12</sup> Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. <sup>13</sup> Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, <sup>14</sup> I press on towards the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus. This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God** 

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (Matthew 21:33-46)

Glory to you O Lord

'Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watch-tower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. <sup>34</sup> When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. <sup>35</sup> But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. <sup>36</sup> Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. <sup>37</sup> Finally he sent his son to them, saying, "They will respect my son." <sup>38</sup> But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, "This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance." <sup>39</sup> So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. <sup>40</sup> Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' <sup>41</sup> They said to him, 'He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.' <sup>42</sup> Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures: "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes"? <sup>43</sup> Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. <sup>44</sup> The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.' <sup>45</sup> When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. <sup>46</sup> They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet. This is the Gospel of the Lord.



