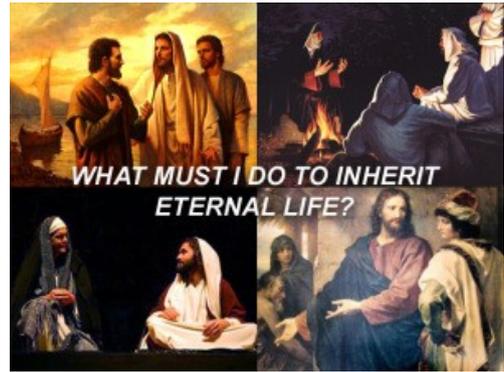


## Welcome to Church on the Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

7:45am Communion by Extension - Worship Team  
 10:30am Morning Worship - Team  
**No 6:30pm Evening Service**

### This Week

Tuesday 13th October 9:30am Morning Prayer (St Lawrence Church)  
 Wednesday 14th October 7:30pm Autumn Deanery Course - Vestry  
 Thursday 15th October 9:15am Communion by Extension - Gerry Dale  
 2:15pm Play & Praise  
 6:40pm Choir practice  
 Sunday 18th October 10:30am Benefice service at Abaston  
**Twentieth Sunday after Trinity**  
 2:00pm Baptism  
 4:00pm Messy Church



## SYRIAN REFUGEES



I'm sure we have all been touched by the plight of the many people fleeing Syria and especially our hearts go out to the children caught up in all this. Ruth Taylor from High Offley has offered to make bags to be sent to the children which would contain small items to make them feel welcome. these could include children's toiletries, small toys, pens, and any other items you think they might enjoy. If you can donate any of these kind of items to Ruth could you bring them to church on the next few Sundays and I will collect them and pass them on to her.  
 Many thanks, Kathryn

## MORETON

Church services for October  
 18th October Benefice Service at Adbaston at 10.30 am (no service at Moreton)  
 25th October 9.00 am Holy Communion with Eddie Haycock  
 Tickets for Curry Evening on 21st November now on sale £10 & £6 (under 11s).  
 Please contact 01785 823232.

## 100 CLUB



## WINNERS OF SEPTEMBER DRAW

1st	Doreen Walker	£20
2nd	Norma Ellis	£15
3rd	Maggie Hughes	£10



If you have a box could you please bring it to church to be emptied or if you prefer someone will call to pick it up. An alternative to having a box is to pay by Direct Debit, please contact me if you would like a form. The Society is very grateful for any monies received, in their work to help vulnerable children.

Many thanks Yvonne Cannell Tel: 824349



## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD UK

For more detail see the poster and leaflets at the back of church.  
 Every shoebox gift you pack helps Samaritan's Purse to reach children worldwide with the good news of God's love and the true meaning of Christmas.

## LAY-LED SERVICES

During the interregnum, a number of non-Eucharistic services will be led by members of the congregation. On the second Sunday of the month, unless there is a special service, there will be a service of Morning Worship at 10.30 which will last around 45 minutes and will include hymns, prayers, a Bible reading and a short talk or reflection.  
 At 7.45 on Sundays, and at 9.15 on Thursdays, there will be a service of Morning Prayer on those weeks when there is no Holy Communion.  
 Full details will appear on the weekly Newsletter.

## CHURCH SERVICES DURING OCTOBER

11th October	7:45am	Communion by Extension	Worship Team
	10:30am	Morning Worship	Team
15th October	9:15am	Communion by Extension	
18th October	10:30am	Joint Benefice Service at Adbaston	
		<b>No Services at St Lawrence</b>	
22nd October	9:15am	Holy Communion	Kathryn
25th October	7:45am	Morning Prayer	Team
	10:30am	Holy Communion	Eddie Haycock
	6:30pm	Ecumenical Service	Roman Catholic led
29th October	9:15am	Morning Prayer	Team

## 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

## Year's Mind

Eileen Armstrong  
 Susan Lane  
 Rosabel Spencer-Thomas

## CHURCH NEWSLETTER

If you wish to have anything included in the Church Newsletter please let Jim McGregor have it by the Wednesday of the previous week.

<b>Team Vicar</b>	Rev Kathryn Hammond 284050	rev.kathrynh@gmail.com
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	Eric Henderson - 823881	eric.henderson2@btinternet.com

Collect:

Faithful Lord, whose steadfast love never ceases and whose mercies never come to an end: grant us the grace to trust you and to receive the gifts of your love, new every morning, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Hebrews 4:12-16

Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. <sup>13</sup>And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account. Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. <sup>15</sup>For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested— as we are, yet without sin. <sup>16</sup>Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

**Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark (Mark 10:17-31) Glory to you, O Lord**

As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, 'Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' <sup>18</sup>Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. <sup>19</sup>You know the commandments: "You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honour your father and mother." ' <sup>20</sup>He said to him, 'Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.' <sup>21</sup>Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, 'You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' <sup>22</sup>When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions. Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, 'How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!' <sup>24</sup>And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, 'Children, how hard it is: to enter the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup>It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.' <sup>26</sup>They were greatly astounded and said to one another, 'Then who can be saved?' <sup>27</sup>Jesus looked at them and said, 'For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.' Peter began to say to him, 'Look, we have left everything and followed you.' <sup>29</sup>Jesus said, 'Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, <sup>30</sup>who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. <sup>31</sup>But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.' This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ

**CHRISTIAN FOOD BANK**

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.

**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](mailto:h_a_p@hotmail.com)

**A NEW RECTOR**

We are in the process of compiling the PARISH PROFILE for each of our five parishes.

**What do you think are the qualities you would most like to see in a new Rector?**



At the back of church there are some "Thought Papers". Could you please complete one to say what qualities you think we need in the person who will come to work alongside us and lead us on as a Parish and a Benefice.

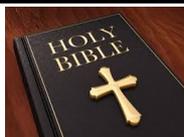
Then post them in the box. Thanks

**OPEN CHURCH**

Tuesdays 11am to 3pm and Thursdays 11am to 1pm. During these times the church is always open for prayer and a visit.

**ECCLESHALL DEANERY**

INVITE EVERYONE TO COME AND DISCUSS

**A PILGRIM COURSE FOR THE CHRISTIAN JOURNEY 'THE BIBLE'**

Eccleshall Deanery are organising a six week training course in the deanery called 'The Bible' as follows:-

- (a) 7.30pm Wed. 23<sup>rd</sup> September, St. John the Baptist Church, Ashley.  
The Bible : What is the Bible?
- (b) 7.30pm Wed. 30<sup>th</sup> September, St. John the Baptist Church, Ashley.  
The Bible : The Bible as breath
- (c) 7.30pm Wed. 7<sup>th</sup> October, St Lawrence Church, Gnosall.  
The Bible: The Bible as a stream of living water
- (d) 7.30pm Wed. 14<sup>th</sup> October, St Lawrence Church, Gnosall.  
The Bible : The Bible as a lamp
- (e) 7.30pm Wed. 21<sup>st</sup> October, Holy Trinity Church, Eccleshall.  
The Bible : The Bible as a two-edged sword
- (f) 7.30pm Wed. 28<sup>th</sup> October, Holy Trinity Church, Eccleshall.  
The Bible : Daily bread

More information about the course can be found on [www.pilgrimcourse.org](http://www.pilgrimcourse.org) A booklet following the Course will be available to buy at a cost of £5.99, and light refreshments will be served each evening.

Please therefore inform the Deanery Secretary, Gill Pinney on 01785 850111 or email at [pinney751@btinternet.com](mailto:pinney751@btinternet.com), if you are able to attend, so that we can inform the various venues of numbers and order the correct number of books.

**THERE IS A LIST AT THE BACK OF CHURCH FOR THOSE WHO WISH TO ATTEND**

Friends of St Lawrence Church

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Stafford College

Grosvenor Centre, Gnosall

7pm Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October

Tickets £5 - pre-booking advised

(Including a glass of wine and sampling the produce)

Available from:

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Sandy Redfern - 822440