



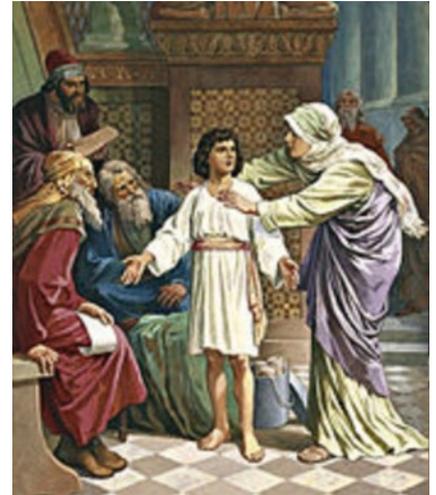
St. Lawrence Church & St. Mary's Church

Newsletter 30th December 2018

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Welcome to Church on the First Sunday of Christmas

Sunday 30 th December	7:45am	Communion by Extension	
	10:30am	Benefice Service at Gnosall	Rev Geoffrey Smith
	6:30pm	Evening Worship	Lay Led
Thursday 2 nd January	9:30am	Holy Communion	
Sunday 6 th January	7:45am	Holy Communion	Rev Kathryn
	10:30am	Holy Communion	Rev Cathy
	6:30pm	Evening Service	



Collect

God in Trinity, eternal unity of perfect love: gather the nations to be one family, and draw us into your holy life through the birth of Emmanuel, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Colossians 3:12-17

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. ¹³ Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ¹⁴ Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. ¹⁵ And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. ¹⁶ Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. ¹⁷ And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL READING

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Praise to you O Lord

Now every year his parents went to Jerusalem for the festival of the Passover. ⁴² And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival. ⁴³ When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it.

⁴⁴ Assuming that he was in the group of travellers, they went a day's journey. Then they started to look for him among their relatives and friends. ⁴⁵ When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem to search for him. ⁴⁶ ⁴⁷ And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers.

⁴⁸ When his parents saw him they were astonished; and his mother said to him, 'Child, why have you treated us like this? Look, your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety.' ⁴⁹ He said to them, 'Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?' ⁵⁰ But they did not understand what he said to them. ⁵¹ Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. His mother treasured all these things in her heart. ⁵² And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favour.

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you O Christ

✠ Year's Mind

Paul Bentley
Canon Alan Pearcey
Hannah Elizabeth Fello
Jean Elizabeth Bentley
James (Jim) Winfield
Joan Richardson
Sydney Cuttall
Emily Johnson
Jacqueline Freeman
Ena McGregor

CHURCH SERVICES AT MORETON

Sunday 6th January Afternoon Worship at 3.30pm

THANK YOU

Thank you very much to everyone for the lovely Christmas cards and kind wishes which I have received. Thank you also for all you loving support over the past year. A very happy Christmas to you and your families.
Rev Kathryn

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THANK YOU

Sincere thanks from Rev'ds Cathy and Peter for the lovely Christmas cards and kind wishes which they have received

ACROSS THE BENEFICE

For enquires concerning baptisms and weddings please contact Rev Kathryn at Tuesday's Office Hour from 6:15pm to 7:15pm.
01785 822820 rev.kathrynh@gmail.com

Please take this sheet home with you to remind you of the readings and notices and also please take one for anyone whom you know is missing from today's service and would like to feel included

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

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.**

VICTORIAN CHRISTMAS MARKET

The Friends committee would like to thank everyone who helped in any way to make the day a great success. An amazing £3,282 was raised - so thank you one and all.

FRIENDS OF ST LAWRENCE

Copies of Janet Wiseman's Christmas Quiz at £1 each are available at the back of Church in support of The Friends of St Lawrence

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.

Tel 01785 822156 or email jimf.mcgregor@tiscali.co.uk

If you know of anyone in the community who would appreciate a visit, please let Rev Kathryn know. Many thanks