



St. Lawrence Church & St. Mary's Church

Newsletter 20th October 2019

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Welcome to Church on the Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Sunday 20 th October	7:45am	Holy Communion	Rev Kathryn
	10:30am	Holy Communion	Rev Kathryn
	4:00pm	Messy Church	
	6:30pm	Evening Worship	
Monday 21 st October	11:30am	Funeral of George Bradshaw	
	7:30pm	PCC Meeting	
Tuesday 22 nd October	8:45am	Tea & Toast	
	9:30am	Morning Prayer	
	2:00pm	Messy Church Meeting	
	6:15 - 7:15pm	Office Hour at Vicarage	
Wednesday 23 rd October	7:30pm	Benefice PCC's Meeting	
Thursday 24 th October	9:15am	Holy Communion	
	2:15pm	Play & Praise	
Saturday 26 th October	7:30pm	Film Night	
Sunday 27 th October	7:45am	Holy Communion	Rev Kathryn
	2:00pm	Holy Communion	Rt Rev Geoff
	6:30pm	Evening Worship	



THE 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.

2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL READING

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. **Glory to you O Lord**

Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, 'In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, "Grant me justice against my opponent." For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, "Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" And the Lord said, 'Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?'

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you O Christ.



Year's Mind

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SHOE BOXES

IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN!

We will again be collecting shoeboxes filled with items for children at Christmas. If you would like to fill a shoebox there will be labels available in our churches and the boxes need to be brought to church by **November 3rd** at the latest please.
This year's leaflets say No toothpaste or sweets please

Starting on Tuesday 5th November there will be a short course taking place in the vestry at St Lawrence Church which will be helping people to manage their money.

It is run and organised by an organisation called Christians against Poverty which is a Christian organisation who try to help people find a practical, lasting solution to debt and poverty. The course will start at 7pm and if you know anyone who you think would find this helpful do invite them to come along.

If you want to know more about the organisation just visit their website

SUNDAY OCTOBER 27TH

We have a special Benefice service on Sunday 27th at 2pm when Bishop Geoff, the Bishop of Stafford is coming to preach. This is our opportunity to say goodbye to him before he retires and leaves our Diocese at the end of November.

He has been a great support to all our parishes, taking a particular interest in the farming community. A number of people will have been confirmed by him over the last nine years.

Do come along if you can to this service of celebration - PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE NO SERVICES IN THE OTHER PARISHES ON THAT DAY AND THE TIME IS 2PM.

CAROL SERVICE CHOIR

Our Carol Service this year will be on Sunday December 22nd at 6.30pm. It would be lovely to put a choir together for this service. If you would like to be part of the choir would you please sign the list at the back of church indicating which days would be best for getting together to practice.

GIFT FOR BISHOP GEOFF

When Bishop Geoff comes to our Benefice Service on 27th October it would be good to give him a gift from the Benefice. If you would like to make a small contribution towards that gift could you please hand this to one of the church wardens.

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

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.

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CHURCH SERVICES AT MORETON

Thursday 24th October 10:30am Morning Service
Sunday 27th October 10.30am Benefice Service at Gnosall with the Bishop of Stafford (no service at Moreton)
Sunday 3rd November 3.30pm Afternoon Worship in church with the Benefice Worship Team
Sunday 10th November 9:00am Remembrance Service

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

PCC MEMBERS

The next PCC meeting will be held at 7.30pm on Monday 21st October at 7.30 in the vestry. There will also be a Benefice PCC meeting for all PCC members on Wednesday 23rd October 2019 to be held at 7.30pm at St Lawrence Church.



Can I remind all those who have a Children's Society box that they are due for emptying. 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 many vulnerable children. So on their behalf, thank you very much.
Yvonne Cannell (Coordinator)

A PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY

Lord, the God of righteousness and truth, grant to our Queen and her government, to Members of Parliament and all in positions of responsibility, the guidance of your Spirit. May they never lead the nation wrongly through love of power, desire to please, or unworthy ideals but laying aside all private interests and prejudices keep in mind their responsibility to seek to improve the condition of all mankind; so may your kingdom come and your name be hallowed. Amen.

St Lawrence's Church Film Night
Saturday 26th October @ 7:30 pm
Presents



A favourite story from the Book of Genesis.
Joseph . . a beautiful coat . . brotherly jealousy . . Egypt . . Pharaoh then prison . . dreams and interpretation . . famine in Israel . . brothers and a golden cup . . revelation and joyfulness.

