



Parish of Moseley - Back to Church Sunday

Our Services for Sunday 12th October - Back to Church Sunday

- 8.00am Holy Communion at St Mary's
- 10.00am Sung Eucharist at St Mary's
- 11.00am Sung Eucharist at St Anne's
- 6.30pm Celtic Worship at St Mary's

Sunday October 12th will be **Back to Church Sunday**. This is an opportunity for all of us to invite someone to come along to one of our services. It may be a friend who has never been to church before, or someone that you know who we haven't seen in church for a while. Please have a think about who you could invite!

The **Celtic service** is a quiet, reflective service of readings, prayer and music, with liturgy and themes drawn from communities with roots in early Celtic Christianity.

Morning Readings for Back to Church Sunday: 2 Kings 5.1–3, 7–15c, 2 Timothy 2.8–15, Luke 17.11–19

Thought for the Day by Vernon Batsford

Among the readings today is one from the second letter of Paul to Timothy. In addition to the letters to Timothy, Paul is widely credited with having written about half of the letters in the New Testament of the Bible.

As we are aware, Paul was among the most zealous of the critics of early Christianity but was dramatically converted on the road to Damascus when he experienced a blinding light and heard the voice of Jesus. Following this he became the most fervent of advocates of Christianity. It is believed that, in pursuit of his teaching of the works of Jesus, he travelled thousands of miles around the Mediterranean, presumably on foot or on donkeys. During this time, he also wrote extensively. We know much of his writing from the Bible but there was no doubt a great deal more, directed at individuals and residents of the many places he visited, of which we know nothing. Paul ended his life by execution at around the age of 60.

Paul is clearly one of the most significant and interesting people in the Bible; probably a rewarding man to talk to – if he could spare the time!!

Future Services

Sunday 19th October - 18th Sunday after Trinity

- 8.00am Holy Communion at St Mary's (BCP)
- 10.00am Sung Eucharist at St Mary's
- 11.00am Sung Eucharist at St Anne's
- 6.30pm Evensong at St Mary's

Evensong is a traditional service where some of the liturgy is sung. The service is from the Book of Common Prayer (1662) with psalms, canticles, hymns, prayers, readings and a reflection.

Sunday 26th October - Last after Trinity

- 8.00am Holy Communion at St Mary's
- 8.30am Breakfast Church at St Anne's Hall
- 10.00am Sung Eucharist at St Mary's
- 11.00am Sung Eucharist at St Anne's
- 6.30pm Wholeness and Healing at St Mary's

Breakfast Church is different. With a strong emphasis on community, fun and food, it's a chance to meet people, and engage with God in a fresh and accessible way, with breakfast included. It happens early in the day to accommodate busy families with multiple commitments.

Our service of **Wholeness and Healing** is a quiet service of readings, music, prayer and reflection, with a focus on wholeness and healing. You do not have to be unwell to come, and you will not need to share anything personal. There is an invitation to receive the laying on of hands with prayer; this may be for ourselves, for others, for a situation on our minds, or for the world. There is also the opportunity to be anointed with oil. Both are optional; you are simply invited to come as you are, bringing and sharing your burdens with God who knows us deeply.

Our Regular Worship

- Details of our regular pattern of worship can be found on the Services page of our website here.
- Details of how the pattern relates to Children's Worship can be found on the Children and Youth page of our website here.
- Details of specific services can continue to be found in the Calendar.
- Morning Prayer is at 9.00am in the Lady Chapel at St Mary's on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday and at 9.00am in St Anne's on Tuesday.
- The Thursday Midweek Communion service is at 12.15pm in the Lady Chapel at St Mary's.

Notices - please continue to the bottom of the bulletin for events which are coming up

Thank you

A huge thank you to Jan Midgely and her helpers for decorating St Anne's so spectacularly for Harvest: the church looked stunning!

Thank you also to Liz Blakey for the amazing Harvest sheaf which she bakes every year!

And a message from Sparkhill Food bank: many thanks for all the food donated on Sunday. I just wanted to say that 323.66 kg of food was donated – thank you so much, it is so appreciated. A single person parcel is approx. 6kg so based on that we would be able to pack up around 53 parcels – that's brilliant. Once again please thank everyone who donated.

All Souls Service - St Anne's 5.00pm, Sunday 2nd November

If you would like the name of someone who has passed away to be read out at the service of Remembrance, Thanksgiving and Hope at St Anne's, please sign the sheet at the back of either church or email the church office on office@moseleychurch.org.uk and we will add their name to the list.

National Online Service

The Church of England online service for the 14th Sunday after Trinity from Moseley is now available to view on the Church of England portal. Click here and scroll down to see our parish in action. Thank you to all who participated in this special service.

Working parties at St Anne's Hall

Work will take place in the Council Room at St Anne's Hall on the following dates. Please come along and help if you are able.

- Tuesday 14th October, 2.00 4.00
- Wednesday 15th October, 10.00 12.00
- Thursday 16th October, 2.00 4.00
- Tuesday 21st October, 2.00 4.00
- Wednesday 22nd October, 10.00 12.00

Moseley Village Rail Station Highway Works

Highway works at Moseley Village Rail Station are taking place for up to three months in several phases. Traffic signals allowing a single lane of traffic have been introduced to a small section of St Mary's Row, Moseley.

Oxford Road is closed at the junction of St Mary's Row with a reduction in car parking spaces in this area. To stay up to date with roadworks, visit their webpage for the most up to date information: tfwm.org.uk/moseley-station

Keeping safe in church

We are currently reviewing our lone working policy. If you come in to church on your own during the day, please do let the office know that you are there.

This week in the Parish

We continue to pray for:

Sheila Perks, Phil and Trish Burt, Jane, Laurie Flood, Elizabeth, Ros Long, Betty Clarke, Christine Guest and John Dowell.

Souls of the departed: Jon Terry

The Parish also prays and gives thanks for:

- Naomi and Joseph whose wedding is at St Mary's on Saturday 11th October.
- Those who contribute to our worship by reading in church, writing the Thought for the Week
 or leading intercessions in our worship, and for those considering offering their gifts in this
 ministry.
- Everyone who lives in our parish this week praying for all our neighbours who live on Church Avenue.

Church of England Birmingham Praying Together: The October edition is <a href="https://example.com/her

Inclusive Church Newsletter: The August edition is here.

We celebrate the Birthdays of: Alice Kinning, William Hewett, Joseph Hewett, Katherine Barwell, Benjamin Leigh and Philip Simons.

Future events

Coffee Concert

Saturday, 25 October 11:00

Saturday morning Coffee Concert - 11am Saturday 25th October Organ Recital by DARREN HOGG (St. Paul's in the Jewellery Quarter) Coffee, tea and toast available from 10.30am. Admission free, retiring collection.

