



The Parish of Moseley

St Mary's & St Anne's



Parish of Moseley - First Sunday after Trinity

Our services for Sunday 22nd June - First Sunday 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. David Derbyshire will be speaking on Neurodiversity as part of our Inclusive Church series
- 6.30pm - Contemplative Worship at St Mary's

Contemplative worship will offer the opportunity to reflect and contemplate around a theme. By its nature, the service will usually include longer periods of silence, pieces of music and also prayer. There may be less opportunity for congregational singing. The service is likely to be less formal than our usual worship.

Morning readings for the First Sunday after Trinity: Isaiah 65.1–9, Galatians 3.23–29, Luke 8.26–39

Thought for the Day by Deb Curnock

Today as we begin our sermon series exploring what it means to be an inclusive church, our New Testament reading speaks of what were perhaps the most visible and divisive categories of people in St Paul's world. "There is neither Jew nor Greek, slave nor free, male nor female, for you are all one

in Christ Jesus.” Had he been writing in our time, perhaps he might have spoken of refugee and citizen, working and unemployed, gay and straight, disabled and able-bodied. In Christ, he explains, these barriers that divide us - whether of culture, background, ability, or status—no longer define our worth or our welcome. We are all children of God, equally worthy.

In the Gospels we see Jesus, time and again, crossing boundaries to bring healing. Today's reading shows us an incident when Jesus meets a man who is utterly separated from his community, isolated and feared. It's perhaps an extreme example of what can happen when someone who is suffering, with what we might nowadays see as severe mental illness, is rejected and excluded, leading to a downward spiral into further distress and isolation. Most people avoided this man, but Jesus chose not to turn away from what others found confusing or frightening. Instead he modelled for us a grace-filled response- seeing the man's suffering, listening, showing compassion and restoring him to community.

The journey to becoming an ever more inclusive, welcoming church is one which doesn't have an end. There will always be more to learn and understand about each other, but we can begin well by adopting an attitude of attentive listening to understand the experiences and needs of the other.

This morning we will hear from David Derbyshire, an autistic coach and educator, about his experience of life, faith and church.

For some neurodivergent people, church can be overwhelming, or alienating, or simply confusing. Yet difference comes with gifts as well as struggles. A truly welcoming church is one in which everyone is able to feel at home, fully able to participate, their gifts recognised and valued. By paying attention, being open and willing to try things out, and seeing people not just as a category, or a diagnosis, but in all their uniqueness - we can move ever closer to Paul's vision of a community where differences no longer alienate us, and everyone truly belongs.

Future Services

Sunday 29th June - Trinity 2

- 8.00am - Holy Communion at St Mary's
- 10.00am - Sung Eucharist at St Mary's. Mark Simons will be speaking on Mental Health as part of our Inclusive Church series
- 11.00am - Sung Eucharist at St Anne's

Please note there will be no 6.30pm service at St Mary's on 29th June.

Sunday 6th July - Trinity 3

- 8.00am - Holy Communion at St Mary's
- 10.00am - Sung Eucharist at St Mary's. Revd Magdalen will be reflecting on Sexuality as part of our Inclusive Church series
- 11.00am - Sung Eucharist at St Anne's
- 6.30pm - Evensong at St Mary's

Parish breakfast will follow the 8.00am service.

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.

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

Inclusive Church

This week we welcome David Derbyshire and Deb Curnock who are going to lead a conversation during our reflective sermon time on neuro-diversity. If you would like to know more about how churches can support those who are neuro-divergent please see the links below.

<https://www.oxford.anglican.org/content/pages/documents/20211006-doc-mission-minis>

<https://autistic-heroes.com/>

<https://www.neurodiversechurch.org/about-us/>

<https://www.methodist.org.uk/for-churches/the-inclusive-methodist-church/disability/how-to-help-neurodiverse-people-in-church/>

Running St Anne's without Churchwardens

Thanks to all who attended our helpful meeting about St Anne's (with no Churchwarden). We agreed to meet briefly once a month to check how things are going. The next meeting will be on 29th June after the 11am service.

Volunteers needed for Warm Space and Coffee and Co.

The church is open on Friday from 10.00-12.00 and Saturday from 10.30 -12.00 where warm drinks and snacks are served and everyone who comes into church is welcome. We have a group of loyal volunteers who make sure we are able to offer this and I would like to thank them for what they do, however we do need more volunteers.

If you feel able to give up a couple of hours occasionally on a Friday or Saturday morning please contact the office on [0121 449 2243](tel:01214492243) or speak to Angela Brown in church. Thank you.

Turn your clutter into cash!

We're holding our **annual table top sale** on **Saturday 28th June** and we're looking for stallholders. It's usually a busy event as it's on the same day as Moseley farmers' market.

It's held from 10am-1pm in the churchyard of St Mary's (inside if it's bad weather). £15 minimum donation for a table. Money raised from sale of pitches and refreshments will go towards the upkeep of St Anne's and St Mary's churches.

For further details and to book a stall, follow this link: <https://forms.churchdesk.com/f/UZ3JmJNPkB>

St Anne's Hall Working Party

Further dates have been arranged for the hall working party to continue work on the foyer and council room:

- Wednesday 25th June 10.00 – 12.00

For any queries, please contact Bridget Langstaff on 07816 828439 or bridget@langstaff.co.uk.

Ringling World National Youth Contest

Saturday 5th July sees both St Mary's and St Anne's hosting young bellringers from as far afield as Cornwall, Yorkshire, Kent and Lancashire in the Ringling World National Youth Contest. The RWNKY is one of the bellringing community's flagship events, with up to 350 young bellringers involved across about 35 teams. The Brumdingers, which practice at St Mary's will be competing at Edgbaston Old Church. St Mary's will have groups of young bellringers visiting for a lot of the day, including one of the actual competitions in the afternoon, while St Anne's will have ringing for a couple of hours in the afternoon.

Unity FM Radio Programme

In March Magdalen took part in a radio programme for Unity FM, a local radio show which explores subjects from different faith perspectives. The programme is approximately 50 mins. If you would like to listen to it click the link below.

<https://www.mixcloud.com/UnityFM/connecting-communities-17th-march-2025-fasting-in-other-faiths/>

Funeral of Dorothy Pridham

The funeral of Dorothy Pridham will be at St Mary's Church on Tuesday 8th July at 11.30, with committal at Robin Hood Crematorium at 12.30.

Churchwarden at St Mary's

As we discussed in our APCM, Angela Brown would like to stand as churchwarden at St Mary's for another year before stepping down. As the maximum tenure is six years, we met on Sunday 8th June and voted to temporarily disallow this six-year rule so that she can do this.

In order to elect Angela as churchwarden, we will hold another short meeting at St Mary's following the 10.00am morning service on Sunday 6th July. If you are able to attend, please do.

Aspects of Inclusion

We're exploring this a little more over the summer as we consider what it really means to be inclusive. We've signed up to be part of a national network of churches who want to do this and will be organising some special services as part of our series on inclusion. Over the summer there will be speakers on the following themes:

- June 29th Mental Health - 10am at St Mary's, speaker Mark Simons
- July 6th Sexuality - 10am at St Mary's, reflection Magdalen Smith
- July 13th Poverty - 11am at St Anne's, speaker Fred Ratley
- July 20th Ethnicity - 10am at St Mary's, speaker Jasmine Brown

Moseley in Bloom - Open Gardens 29th June: tickets now available!

Tickets to the summer's best day out are now on sale! They will have 18 lovely gardens open to the public on Sunday 29th June. You can buy via the [online shop](#) (to be collected on the day), at the Moseley Exchange (8.30am - 3pm, Monday - Friday) and at the Moseley Farmer's Market on Saturday 28th June. You can also buy tickets on the day at five specific gardens - this [ticket map](#) has the details.

Feeling peckish during Open Gardens, but don't want to take time out to stop for lunch? New for this year they have partnered up with Change Kitchen to provide picnic lunch boxes for collection at one of the gardens on the day - you need to pre-order from the [Change Kitchen website](#). They will still be selling delicious samosas at the five refreshment gardens, and of course homemade cakes too.

Reordering at St Mary's

Work continues to progress the development work at St Mary's. Part of the plans we are working on include underfloor heating, so some archaeological work will be needed to investigate! Read our FAQs [here](#) to learn more about the reordering plans.

Parish Prayer List

We are reviewing the Parish Prayer List and names will continue to be left on the list if the person who has asked for prayer informs the Parish Office each month. This also refers to individuals who have been referred by another person. Names will remain on the list for one month and if the office are not recontacted concerning them, they will be taken off unless informed otherwise.

This week in the Parish

We continue to pray for:

Cathie Carey and Stella Fernley, Tony Sheppard, Mike Carter, Ruth Carter, Jon Terry, Rachel McLeod, Sheila Perks, Laurie Flood, Elisabeth Leicester, Lincoln Hoeschen, Phil and Trish Burt, Geraldine and Gerald Cartin, Malcolm McDonald, Jenny Taylor, June Dudleston, and Christine Guest.

Souls of the Departed: Dorothy Pridham.

The Parish also prays and gives thanks for:

- Amy Brown who will be ordained on Saturday 28th June in Rochester Cathedral.
- All who offer their creative gifts to enhance our worship, including our musicians, choirs, organists, pianists and bell ringers.
- Everyone who lives in our parish - this week praying for all our neighbours who live on Oak Leaf Drive.

Church of England Birmingham Praying Together: The June edition is [here](#).

Inclusive Church Newsletter: The June edition is [here](#).

We celebrate the Birthdays of: Richard Tetlow, Vernon Batsford, Freya Dowsett and Gillian Light.

Future events

Table Top Sale - St Mary's Churchyard

Saturday, 28 June 10:00

Come along to St Mary's Churchyard for a Table Top Sale. Bric-a-Brac, clothes, toys, cakes and much more! Raising funds in aid of St Mary's and St Anne's Churches. To book a stall, please follow th...



Midland Chamber Orchestra Concert

Sunday, 29 June 13:30

