



The Parish of Moseley

St Mary's & St Anne's



Parish of Moseley - Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Our Services for Sunday August 30th - Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

- 8.00am - Holy Communion at St Mary's
- 10.00am - Sung Eucharist at St Mary's
- 11.00am - Sung Eucharist with Baptism at St Anne's
- 6.30pm - Compline at St Mary's

The service of **Compline** derives its name from a Latin word meaning 'completion' (completorium). It is above all a service of quietness and reflection before rest at the end of the day.

Readings for the Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity: Exodus 3.1-15 (St Mary's), Jeremiah 15.15-21, Romans 12.9–end, Matthew 16.21–end

Thought for the Day by John Gray

“Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.” – Romans 12:21

There are aspects of human behaviour and personality that are unchanging through the ages – we can read historic stories and see familiar attitudes coming through. For example, I find it easy to relate to the scenes of the Israelites complaining in the wilderness: Why are we doing this? Why are

we on this journey? Journeys (whether journeys of faith or literal travel) can be hard and it is unsurprising that there may be grumbles or arguments.

We can see this week's passage from Romans 12, offering instructions on Christian attitudes – specifically in our relationships with others – as a response to recognisable human failings. The start of the chapter is concerned with our transformation into something more than worldly people, and the use of our specific gifts. The instruction then moves onto attitudes, and with the exception of “Contribute to the needs of the saints” these do not appear to be just about our relationship with other Christians. In broad terms they encourage us in hospitality, empathy and patience. It is all too easy to imagine Paul having to exhort the early church to show the love of God in their lives: God has transformed you into something special, so show it! Be better!

The same human issues in relationships still affect us now – short tempers, laziness or pride are not unknown in the modern age! The same exhortations from Paul are still here to encourage us in how we respond to the things life throws at us. It may not be easy, but as a community encouraging and supporting one another, we can aspire to live out our faith with love.

Future Services

Sunday 6th September - Patronal Festival of the Blessed Virgin Mary

- 8.00am - Holy Communion at St Mary's
- 10.00am - Parish Eucharist for the Patronal Festival of the Blessed Virgin Mary at St Mary's
- 6.30pm - Choral Evensong at St Mary's

Please note there will be no 11.00am service at St Anne's.

Parish Breakfast will follow the 8.00am service.

A bring and share lunch will follow the 10am service at St Mary's.

Sunday 13th September - Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

- 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 - Taizé service at St Mary's

A Taizé service is meditative in style and includes sung or chanted prayers, periods of silence and readings from the Bible. It is the repetitive nature of the singing that allows the mind and heart the freedom to go deeper into worship.

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 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.
- Online Compline (Night Prayer) takes place at 7.30pm on a Wednesday. Please contact the office if you would like the Zoom link.
- The Thursday Midweek Communion service is at **12.15pm** in the Lady Chapel at St Mary's.
- Our 10am Sunday service is usually livestreamed to our Parish YouTube page. The Parish YouTube page can be found [here](#).

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

Office opening hours

Please note that the office will be closed on Monday 31st August and will open for reduced hours for the rest of the week.

Celebrating St Mary's Patronal Festival - Bring and share lunch on 6th September

St Mary's Patronal Festival is on Sunday 6th September. There will be a joint service at St Mary's at 10.00am, followed by an opportunity to hear about the progress on our reordering and ask any questions you may have. Then there will be a Bring and Share Lunch. Let us know if you are coming and what food you'll bring - sign-up sheets are on the welcome desks!

Sermon series coming in September!

Sermons in September will be focusing on our Parish Vision Statement, discussing its key pillars and what they mean for us. Each week will take a different piece of the statement:

- 6th September: A welcoming church
- 13th September: A church at the heart of Moseley
- 20th September: A church rooted in prayer
- 27th September: A church inspired by God's love

The Firstborn by Laurie Lee

A lovely parishioner gave Magdalen a book a while ago by Laurie Lee - "The First Born" - she has now read this and wanted to give it back to its original owner! If this is you please could you let her, or the Office know and she will return it. Thank you.

Online Compline

Are you looking for a new challenge this autumn? Have you enjoyed coming to Compline over the summer? Would you like to try Compline (Night Prayer) but don't want to come out in the evenings? What is better than the opportunity to join our friendly online prayer group on Wednesday evenings at 7.30pm for just 20 minutes of prayer from the comfort of your own [home](#). [Do](#) get in touch with the Parish Office for details of how to join if you would like to give it a try.

Prayer Corner

The Prayer Corner has been repositioned, returning to its original position underneath the Magnificat Window (almost diagonal to where it was by the Welcome Desk). Over the coming weeks we hope to develop this area a little. One change will be having a large bowl filled with sand, using small vertical candles to light, rather than using the small tea-lights which are difficult to recycle and often end up in landfill. We may also move to use a book where people can write prayer requests rather than pin

post-it notes on a noticeboard. We also hope to introduce a prayer focus every 2-3 months with simple resources around a theme. Revd Magdalen.

Dyslexia Friendly Bibles

Thanks to the amazing generosity of the Bishop Hall Northfield Trust we have been gifted a set of dyslexia friendly Bibles that will be available for use at both St Mary's and St Anne's. As well as a set of overlays and order of services that are printed in a dyslexia friendly font, these Bibles are another way that we are helping to make God's word accessible to all.

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, Trish Burt, Jane, Laurie Flood, Elizabeth, Ros Long, Christine Guest, Philip Mills, Christina Brown, Heather Smithson, Linda and Rosie Calloway, Bobby Bridgeman, Nick Adams, Ken Bonham, Sumit, and Sam and Grace Macfie.

Souls of the Departed: Harry Daniels.

The Parish also prays and gives thanks for:

- Daisy who is being baptised at St Anne's on Sunday.
- Those preparing to return to school, college and university: for students, staff and all who care for and nurture young people.
- Everyone who lives in our parish - this week praying for all our neighbours who live on Mayfield Road.

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

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

We celebrate the Birthdays of: Etta Bridgeman, Nigel Blakey, Nick Drew and Kate Stocks.

Future events

Tuesday Teas - Tuesday, 1 September 14:00

Tuesday Teas is a monthly group and you are warmly invited. There will be hot drinks, homemade cakes and the opportunity to chat. This month we'll be sharing our musical memories! All are welcome.



Moseley at the Movies - Wednesday, 2 September 19:00

Come along to Moseley at the Movies, a group which meets to watch a film together and discuss afterwards. St Mary's West Room at 7pm.



Patronal Festival Bring and Share Lunch - Sunday, 6 September 12:00

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St Mary's Church Moseley Heritage Weekend - Saturday, 12 September 10:30

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St Mary's Church Moseley Heritage Weekend - Sunday, 13 September 10:00

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