



# The Parish of Moseley

## St Mary's & St Anne's



### Parish of Moseley - Fourth Sunday after Trinity

#### Our services for Sunday 13th July - Fourth Sunday after Trinity

- 8.00am - Holy Communion at St Mary's
- 10.00am - Service of Creation which includes a blessing of animals, in St Mary's Churchyard (in church if wet). Please note the service will not be livestreamed this week
- 11.00am - Sung Eucharist at St Anne's. Fred Ratley will be speaking on Poverty as part of our Inclusive Church series
- 6.30pm - Celtic Style Evening Worship at St Mary's

**Celtic Style Evening Worship** 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 the Fourth Sunday after Trinity:** Deuteronomy 30.9–14, Colossians 1.1–14, Luke 10.25–37

## Thought for the Day by Janet Thorne

This week the focus for us as an inclusive church is poverty.

Poverty is a world-wide blight on life. Not only does it mean a lack of sufficient money and resources equally distributed to meet basic human needs but those who are poor in spirit, lacking friends or suffering severance from their families, struggling to find a purpose in life, to belong, to be wanted.

Sadly, at present extreme poverty and human suffering is world-wide, much of it caused by man's inhumanity to man - war bringing injury, famine and cruelty and untimely death. Victimisation - bringing fear and terror. Humans now starving, bereaved and traumatised. Poor in spirit and hopeless.

Nearer to home, poverty surrounds us:

- Struggling families facing the constant advertising campaign of what we must have in order to live a satisfactory life, children with all their needs and wants, facing peer pressure and a fear of bullying and isolation if they do not conform, yet with parents who can barely provide their basic needs - an isolating situation.
- Older people often left alone who have not had the opportunity to build up a living wage pension, now struggling with life threatening choices, facing eternal hardships and loneliness.
- Those with no permanent home, forced to use the church yard as a night shelter and often facing abuse and being moved along.

As a church and as individuals, we can help to make a difference, although we can't solve everyone's problems.

There are food banks and opportunities to lobby our government. We can support charities that target poverty, support climate change and be mindful of how we lead our own lives and spend our money.

We have our practical solutions here in church - Coffee and Co, Warm Space, refreshments after church ser-vice, Tuesday teas, film club, Christmas Day Together and Stay and Play.

Being an inclusive church charges us to make sure that all that is done in the name of the church, the very being of the church is caring and compassionate.

It's not just about sharing our money and resources, although that is important but addressing our relationships and attitudes, our thinking and our doing, being aware of how others see us in all that is done.

At the feast of Pentecost the church is commissioned and we are called upon to live out what we proclaim. We are asked if we dare to share our riches in common and minister to each other in need?

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## Future Services

### Sunday 20th July - Fifth Sunday after Trinity

- 8.00am - Holy Communion at St Mary's (BCP)
- 10.00am - Sung Eucharist at St Mary's. Jasmine Brown will be speaking on Ethnicity as part of our Inclusive Church series
- 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 27th July - Patronal Festival of St Anne (Sixth Sunday after Trinity)

- 8.00am - Holy Communion at St Mary's
- 11.00am - Parish Eucharist for St Anne's Patronal Festival at St Anne's
- 6.30pm - Wholeness and Healing at St Mary's

**Please note there will be no 10am service at St Mary's. All are encouraged to come to the 11am service at St Anne's.**

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.

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## 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**

### Celebration of Creation Service with a Pet Blessing

All are welcome on 13th July in St Mary's churchyard for our 10am outdoor service! Bring your pet, or a picture if your pet isn't portable, to join in with the creation celebration! Limited seating will be available, although everyone is encouraged to bring camp chairs or picnic blankets.

### Church Office Closure

Please note that the church office will be closed on Tuesday 15th July. Thank you.

### **Items needed for Stay & Play**

If you have any of the following items spare, we would be very grateful to receive them for Stay & Play:

- Matchbox cars (or any vehicles)
- Doll buggies
- Colouring books
- Felt tips
- Small good quality baby toys

### **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.

### **Spiritual Accompaniment Course**

If you are interested in learning more about how to pray and helping other people to pray better you might be interested in a course in Spiritual Accompaniment. The course begins in September and runs until June 2026 approximately once a month. It is ecumenical and facilitated by a mixture of face to face sessions at Selly Park Convent as well as on Zoom. Rev Magdalen is one of the facilitators. Please click [here](#) to read more and to book. Also please ignore the booking deadline - we are still receiving applications.

### **Manresa Link Prayer Guide Training Course - starts January 2026**

Would you like to explore or deepen your calling to a ministry of prayer guiding - accompanying others through retreats in daily life? If so, this course is for you. It takes place over ten Saturday mornings at St Mary's Convent, B19 1EB, followed by two practice Retreats in Daily Life.

The ten sessions include topics such as Ignatian prayer, listening skills, what we are listening for as prayer companions, discernment and images of God. Participants will work in groups to practise listening and discernment together. You'll also have opportunities to watch role plays and to ask questions in the full group sessions.

If you are interested in finding out more please visit <https://www.manresalink.org.uk/training1.html>

### **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.

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### **This week in the Parish**

#### **We continue to pray for:**

Sheila Perks, Phil and Trish Burt, and Jane.

**The Parish also prays and gives thanks for:**

- Those who care for and cultivate our gardens and green spaces, and for the work of Moseley Litterbusters.
- Everyone who lives in our parish - this week praying for all our neighbours who live on Amesbury Road.

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

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

**We celebrate the Birthdays of:** Olivia Mitchell, Matthew Priest and Stephen Alabaster.