



The Parish of Moseley St Mary's & St Anne's



Parish of Moseley - Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

Our Services for 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.

Readings for the Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity: Genesis 50.15–21, Romans 14.1–12, Matthew 18.21–35

Readings for St Mary's: Jeremiah 29.1-7, Revelation 22.1-5, Matthew 5.13-16

Thought for the day by Phil Hall:

Throughout all the readings and hymns for this Sunday I perceive a clear message of spiritual forgiveness and love for God, something which is encouraged here at St Mary's, a church at the heart of Moseley. But before we consider what spiritual forgiveness from the heart is and how we find it, let us reflect on this week's readings and hymns.

In Genesis 50 Joseph's brothers worry about Joseph holding a grudge against them, for all the wrongs they did to him. Joseph told them "... do not be afraid, I am in the place of God and will provide for you and your children...". This reflects Paul's reminder in Romans 14 "...we belong to the Lord and must stop passing judgement on one another...".

Similarly in Matthew 18, Jesus warns about forgiveness from the heart saying, "...With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible...".

The hymns for today follow a similar sense of spiritual intervention. "...All ye that are of tender heart, forgiving others, take your part...", Hymn 532, celebrates Gods boundless mercy and forgiveness. Similarly, Hymn 725 "...The king of love my shepherd is..." reminds us of His gentle grace.

Hymn 666, "... I cannot tell why He, who angels worship, should set His love upon the sons of men..." suggests an unfathomable love for our dear Lord whilst the final Hymn, 777, reinforces all that love for God by telling us to "...sing of the Lord's goodness...and...praise God till the end of days...".

In Matthew 18 Peter went to Jesus and asked, "Lord how many times shall I forgive my brother when he sins against me? Up to seven times?". Jesus answered, "I tell you, not seven times, but seventy-seven times".

Forgiveness, sincere, unconditional forgiveness, from the heart, is not easy. But, if we let our dear Lord into our lives then He will most certainly help us to forgive.

Future Services

Sunday 20th September - Sixteenth 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 27th September - Seventeenth 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
- 11.00am - Sung Eucharist at St Anne's
- 6.30pm - Wholeness and Healing at St Mary'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.

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

September Sermon Series

Sermons in September are 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

Heritage weekend - 12th and 13th September

The church will be open from 10.00 - 4.00 as part of Birmingham Heritage week. See the links below for more details.

Inspiring videos shared by Birmingham Diocese during the Season of Creation

Throughout the Season of Creation (31st August to 4th October), there will be articles on the Church of England Birmingham website about caring for God's creation. Follow [this link](#) for more information.

Harvest Collections for Sparkhill Foodbank

We will be collecting items for Sparkhill Foodbank during our Harvest services at both churches on 4th October. The Foodbank are in particular need of the following items - UHT milk, biscuits, tinned custard, tinned rice pudding, tinned fruit, tinned vegetables, cereals, tea, coffee, tinned fish, tinned meat, tinned tomatoes and instant mashed potatoes.

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.

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, Sam and Grace Macfie and Kevin Holland.

Souls of the Departed: Harry Daniels and Patricia Donnahey.

The Parish also prays and gives thanks for:

- Those in our congregations who work from home, and those who travel long distances for work.
- Everyone who lives in our parish - this week praying for all our neighbours who live on Paton Grove.

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

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

We celebrate the Birthdays of: Rachel Kinning

Future events

- SEP 12

St Mary's Church Moseley Heritage Weekend

Saturday, 12 September 10:30

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