

THIS WEEK AT ST GEORGE'S

Monday	9.30am	Church cleaning
Tuesday	10.30am-12.30pm	DemCaf
Wednesday	10.30am-11.45am	Lent Group
	1.15pm-1.45pm	Lunchtime concert
	7.30pm-8.30pm	Education & Worship Committee—Whitmore Room
Thursday	9.00am-10.00am	St George's Independent—Service rehearsal
	11.00am-12.00noon	St George's Independent—Service
	6.15pm	St George's choir practice
	8.00pm-9.15pm	Lent Prayer Group—86 Westfield Road
Friday	9.00am-10.30am	Hallfield—Easter Service rehearsal
	11.00am-11.30am	Sunrise Communion—Sunrise of Edgbaston
	11.30am-12.30pm	Hallfield—Easter Service
Saturday	9.30am-12.30pm	Birthday Party preparation
	12.30pm-3.00pm	Pat Bullock's Birthday Party
	3.00pm-5.00pm	Birthday Party tidy up

A prayer for the week

God of love, passionate and strong,
tender and careful: watch over us and hold us all
the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL CHANGE

We look forward to the planned return of our Vicar Revd Canon Julian Francis on Sunday 2nd June. Meanwhile our Interim Minister Revd John Flitcroft will be instituted as Rector of St Mary's Old Swinford on Sunday 19th May at 4pm. Shared transport to this service may be arranged. If you are interested please sign the list at the back of church.

LENT PRAYER GROUPS

If you would like to follow the Lent retreat material which our Lent groups are using it can be found on the Jesuit 'Pathways to God' website under the title of: 'Walking together with Jesus'. More details can be found online at: www.pathwaystogod.org/resources/walking-together-jesus-lent-retreat-2019.

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BISHOP'S STATEMENT

Last week, following the attacks in Christchurch, New Zealand, and the damage done to mosques in Birmingham, Bishop David sent out a statement of solidarity and support for our Muslim friends and neighbours. The full text is available on an A5 sheet at the back of church; please take it to read later.

SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP IN LENT

On this Sunday evening at 6 pm we will share a beautiful form of worship from the Taizé community in France. Bring your singing voices and be refreshed by lovely words and relaxing silences.

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MORE SIDESPEOPLE

More Sidespeople are **urgently** needed for 10.30am services. If you can help please see Marion Clarke.

CAN YOU HELP RUN ST GEORGE'S?

St George's, like all Anglican churches, has a Parochial Church Council (the PCC) which makes important decisions about how our church is run. At the moment we have a number of vacancies on the PCC, so we're asking: can you join us? Anyone on the Electoral Roll can be a PCC member and we would particularly welcome people new to the church. We meet roughly 6 times a year in the Whitmore Room at church. If you think you can help by joining the PCC, please ask one of the current members, (see the red board to the left as you first come into church), or talk to Nick Gibbs or Rev'd John.

VESTRY AND ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

On Tuesday 30th April at St George's we'll hold our annual meeting of the Parochial Council, and the 'Vestry meeting' (at which we elect our churchwardens). These are really important events in the life of our church so please save the date and come along if you possibly can.

HELP FOR DEM-CAF

We are very short of visitors (with dementia and their carers) taking up the opportunity of coming to DemCaf. Please would people in the congregation take home 3 or 4 leaflets each and put them out to advertise DemCaf, (in corner shops, community centres, doctors' surgeries, chemist shops.) This could be along bus routes from the church. Please also give leaflets to friends who might benefit from knowing about us. If your friends show an interest in coming, perhaps you could bring them to DemCaf on their first visit? *Eve Kirby*

LUNCHTIME CONCERT

April 3rd at 1.15pm. Tom Pickles and Connor Wilcox. Music for cello and piano by Bridge, Schumann and Debussy.