



CHURCH DURING LOCKDOWN

St George's remains an open and welcoming community during these difficult times, while public services are suspended until December. Church is open for individual prayer twice a week. All are welcome. On Sunday there is a live-streamed Eucharist at 10.30am. We will also meet regularly via Zoom for fellowship; details will be published on the pewsheets each week. The Vicar remains available for pastoral care and conversation by telephone. We continue in prayer for the nation, for an end to the pandemic, for the sick, and for key workers.

Second Sunday before Advent

15th November 2020

- 8.00am **BCP Mattins by telephone conference call** **Jenny Uff**
- 10.30am **Eucharist live streamed online via [facebook.com/stgeorgesedgbaston](https://www.facebook.com/stgeorgesedgbaston) Fr Sam**
Preacher: Sally Hayden, Generous Giving Director for the Diocese of Leicester
Readings: Zeph 1:7, 12-end; 1 Thess 5:1-11; Matt 25:14-30
- 12pm **Zoom Coffee & Conversation online**
All welcome, email Fr Sam for a link.
- 7pm **Mystery of Faith discussion group on Zoom**
All welcome, email Fr Sam for a link.

In the Coming Week

- Thursday mornings Church is open for individual prayer from 9.30am until Midday.
Wednesdays at 9.30am Prayers on Zoom *contact Eve Kirby to join the group.*
Saturday mornings Church is open for individual prayer from 10am until Midday.

Next Sunday - Christ the King

22nd November 2020

- 8.00am *Mattins (BCP) by telephone conference call* *Fr Sam*
- 10.30am *Eucharist live-streamed online* *Fr Sam*

PLEASE PRAY FOR

From the Diocesan Praying Together Booklet

16th-20th November is Anti-Bullying Week. Let us pray: Lord, we understand bullying has a long lasting effect on those who experience and witness it. Help us, together with parents and carers, teachers and politicians, children and young people to end bullying. Inspire us to play our part in coming together to make a difference. Amen

Fr Barrie Scott, St John the Evangelist Perry Barr, invites us to pray for all those involved with and affected by the preparations for Commonwealth Games 2022. Lord may you guide the local community, residents, businesses and commuters, and the workers, builders and planners into patience, fairness and equity in all their doings. Amen

Those who are ill:

John Wynn	Miroslava Blahova
Nick Sales	Jo Cox
Carol Smith	Margaret Smith
Jayne Mertling-Blake	Ken Lee
Valentyna Milward	Natalie Paul
Janet Taylor	Anne Phelps
Esme Sands	Mary Howard
	Christopher Burt

RIP

Pam Knight

Prayer for the Week:

God all powerful,
who called Martin from the armies of the
world to be a faithful soldier of Christ:
Give us grace to follow him in his love and
compassion for the needy, and enable your
church to claim for all people their inher-
itance as children of God:
Through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

WITH SYMPATHY

We have been given sad news that Pam Knight passed away on the night of 26 October, at home. Pam was a much valued and appreciated member of the cleaning team. We offer our condolences to her friends and family.

NURTURE GROUP

A small group exploring Christian belief using the book *The Mystery of Faith* by John-Francis Friendship will meet each Sunday on Zoom at 7pm. It is still open to new members, if you would like to join speak to Fr Sam. Please pray for the group that it would be fruitful for those involved.

MATTINS BY CONFERENCE CALL

Jenny Uff will be leading Mattins (BCP) at 8am this Sunday by teleconference. To join the service from any telephone dial 0121 720 3377 and, when prompted, enter the meeting code 898 358 214 followed by the # ('hash') key. Your voice will be heard by other callers and on a loudspeaker in the sanctuary. We do not have a freephone number available so please be aware of the cost of calls to 0121 numbers in your call plan. Alternatively you can join on a computer or smartphone using the Microsoft Teams app or any internet browser using this link [Mattins 8am 15th Nov](#) for live video of the sanctuary as well as the audio connection.

CHARLOTTE GIBSON

We are delighted to announce that Charlotte, who is currently one of our parish ordinands, will serve her title post at St Peter's, Harborne. She will take up this post when she is ordained deacon in the summer of 2021. Please pray for Charlotte, Revd Kate Stowe and for the parish of St Peter's.

ANNE KENRICK

Caroline recently received a message from Anne's son John, who has emailed 'It was a lovely idea to remember Mum at All Souls. Please pass on my thanks to the congregation. I am sure Mum will be supervising the poppy display from above!

COVID-19 UPDATE

During the current lockdown, public worship is paused which means our church services will not be able to go ahead. The Archbishops of Canterbury and York, along with many other national faith leaders, have called on the government to allow worship to continue. However, unless the legislation is amended we must abide by the law.

As Christians we have an important role to play in praying for the country and its leaders in this difficult time, and setting an example of calm, compassion and courage. The Archbishops have called upon us to use November as a month of prayer, an opportunity to commit ourselves afresh to Christ. Online resources for each day can be found at <https://www.churchofengland.org/more/media-centre/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-churches/call-prayer-nation>

FUTURE NOTABLE DATES

Christ the King	22nd November
Advent Sunday	29th November

PARISH MAGAZINE AND PEW SHEET

Material for the parish magazine should be submitted to Justin Pinkess by 29th November to be included in the January edition. The deadline for Pew Sheet items are Wednesdays at 10am.