

Welcome to Shirley Parish

Christ the King, St James the Great and St John the Divine

This week: 27th August – 2nd September



In the building:

Sat 29th 10am-4pm: St James' building open for private prayer

Sun 30th 11am: Short Communion Service – St James' Church

Wed 2nd 10:30am: Short Communion Service – St James' Church
11am-4pm: St James' building open for private prayer

At home:

Thu 27th Midweek Reflection on "The Sending Out Prayer" - Kate Day

Sat 29th 9-9:30am: Prayers for the Parish (and beyond!) via Zoom

Sun 30th 9:30am (suggested time) Morning Worship
10:15am: Virtual Coffee via Zoom

You can find the videos for these on the YouTube channel. Alternatively, you can listen by using the telephone number 0121 270 9089 where the reflection will be available from Thursday to Saturday and the Sunday worship from Sunday morning.

To join Zoom events, just use this link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4904334906> .
If you are not on the internet, you can still join us on the phone by calling 0203 695 0088. When asked, type the meeting id 4904 334 906, then # then #.

Coming Up.....

Reflective Worship - Sunday 6th Sept – This will be outside in the garden at St John's at 4pm (whatever the weather). Please bring something to sit on - and wear appropriate clothing! (A recording will also be on YouTube.)

Nordic Walking – Tues 8th Sept. 10am meet by Mallaby Close / Langcomb Road. All are welcome, with or without walking poles!

Bingo – Tues 8th Sept 2pm on Zoom – Contact Sarah for a bingo card (07946 378144).

MacMillan Coffee Morning – Weds 9th Sept 10:30 – 12:00 via zoom. Zoom link is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6840107462> or phone 0203 695 0088 and type the id 684 010 7462.

Harvest – Our Harvest Festival will be on Sunday 27th Sept. Please make gifts in cash for the foodbank (see below) or bring food gifts to Church House on Sat 26th from 10-12. There will be a **Harvest Supper and Quiz** over Zoom on Saturday evening – if you do Zoom please think about inviting someone who doesn't to your home so they can take part.

Discipleship Course – we will be running the Way of Discipleship course over Zoom in October – for more information please see the Magazine article.

Parish Notices

Holiday – Paul & Kate will be away from Wednesday 9th – Monday 21st September. In case of emergency please contact Margaret Foresheew or Gill Hanton. There will be no emails or pewslip w/c Mon 14th, no midweek reflection on Thursday 17th, nor an online service on Sun 20th. Links will be provided to the CofE national service.

September Magazine is now available on the website <https://www.shirleyparishb90.co.uk/shirley-parish-magazine> – paper copies will be delivered shortly.

Bible Reading Notes are now overdue for payment, please make cheques payable to Shirley Parish. There are spare copies of the notes - if you are interested please get in touch with the Parish Office.

Virtual Christmas Fayre – Kate Crocker is planning a virtual Christmas Fayre. Ideas for festive events, competitions and produce welcome, as are offers of help. Date to be confirmed. Contact Kate if you can help - 258 2956. kate_crocker@hotmail.com

Attendance at the **communion services** on Sunday at 11 and Wednesday at 10:30 **must be booked in advance**. Phone the Parish Office (745 8896) on Monday morning to book for Wednesday and on Thursday morning to book for Sunday.

Cheques for church offerings – Please make all cheques payable to Shirley Parish so they can be paid in easily. And please make a note which church it is for on the back!

St James Churchyard working party meet on Thursdays from 10am-12 weather permitting. All are welcome – there's always something to be done.

Sharing news – Many thanks for all those who have sent in news. The things received so far are fairly lengthy articles and they will be shared in next month's magazine.

Food Bank:– From Apr-Jul in 2019 the foodbank helped 2286 people; this year it was 5478 people for the same 4 months.
This week's shortages are dried milk, tinned fruit and small bags of sugar. Donations can be made at Sainsbury, Tesco & Waitrose. To give money to the foodbank send a cheque to The Sparkhill Food Bank, Units 20-21 Rovex Business Park, Hay Hall Road, Tyseley, B11 2AQ or phone 0121 708 1398.

For Prayer

Our local schools as they return for the new school year – especially concerning all the Covid related procedures.

The departed and those who mourn them – Elsie White

Years Mind: Gladys Hamlin, Lily Wheeler, Robert Randall (Bob), Martin Le Page, Pauline Ford, Margaret Hovey, Diane Biddle, David Griffiths, John Sewell, Elizabeth Wrench, Walter Cox, Bill Hadley.

Keeping in touch....

Next week's Pewslip

CONCISE items (max 3 sentences) to Parish Office by 9am on Monday please.

Longer articles to shirleyparishmagazine@gmail.com by 12th of the month.

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