

This Week

- Tues 7 June** **Prayer Gathering**, 10.00-11.30am in St Stephen's.
- Wed 8 June** **Prayer Gathering**, 8.00-9.30pm in St Stephen's – with coffee, tea and cakes 7.30-7.55pm.
- Sun 12 June** **Afternoon Tea to celebrate the Queen's 90th Birthday**. 4pm at St Stephen's Church. We need help to make scones, serve refreshments and set up. There is a sign up sheet at the back of church.

Looking Ahead

- Mon 13 June** **Marriage Evening**. 7.45 for 8pm to 9.30pm. Marriage MOT: looking at how we communicate and deal with conflict; we'll have time to listen to God in His Word, interviews with some couples, time for questions, chatting and praying.
- Tue 14 June** **CAP Prayer Meeting**, 7.45pm, Selly Park Baptist Church. More information from Sarah Underwood.
- Jul 2-3** **Church Family Weekend at Home**. Andy Upton, of Knighton Church Leicester, will be speaking on 'Hosea: Straight from the Heart', about God's passionate love for his people. Please see brochures for more information.
- Sat 22 Oct** **Midlands Women's Convention, 'Transformed by the renewing of your mind'**. Renewal Conference Centre in Solihull, starting at 10.00am. Take a look at the flyer to choose which seminar you'd like to go to and let the Parish Office know so that we can do a group booking.
- Sat 5 Nov** **Midlands Men's Convention, 'All in – Living the whole of life for Christ'**. Cornerstone Church Nottingham, starting at 10.00am. Take a look at the flyer to choose which seminar you'd like to go to and let the Parish Office know so that we can do a group booking.

News and Requests

Car parking. To ensure that the grounds of church are as safe as possible please don't park in the car park unless you really have to, and if you do please reverse into your space so that you have better visibility when you leave. Thank you!

Updated Termcards are on the Information Table. (some changes to the sermons and speakers)

Here is a helpful link for those thinking about the **EU referendum**:
<http://klice.co.uk/index.php/eu-referendum-2016>

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ST STEPHENS AND ST WULSTANS SELLY PARK

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5th June 2016

Welcome

If you are new, you are especially welcome. Please help yourself to a Welcome booklet and, if you have time, introduce yourself and ask any questions you may have.

10.00am All Age Morning Service

'The greatest commandment' (Matthew 22:34-40) – Helen Buckley

Children and young people will stay in church today.

Crèche is in the Cranmer Room for 0-3's. To access crèche go to the back of church.

Coffee, tea and biscuits are served after the service in the foyer.

6.00pm Evening Service with Holy Communion

'Choose what is best' (Luke 10:38-42) – Andy Martin

Coffee, tea and cakes are served after the service in the foyer.

Toilets are adjacent to the foyer and upstairs; baby-changing facilities are in the disabled toilets.

The greatest commandment
Matthew 22:34-40

OPENING PRAYER *led by Andy Martin*

HYMN To God be the glory

CONFESSION and ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

God our Father, we come to you in sorrow for our sins.

For turning away from you, and ignoring your will for our lives;

All Father forgive us, save us and help us.

For behaving just as we want to without thinking of you;

All Father forgive us, save us and help us.

For failing you by what we do and think and say;

All Father forgive us, save us and help us.

For living as if we were ashamed to belong to your Son;

All Father forgive us, save us and help us.

In your great love for us, and because Jesus died for our sins;

All Father forgive us, save us and help us.

SONG I'm following the King

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

THE GREATEST GAME

BIBLE READINGS Matthew 22:34-40 (page 991), Romans 13:8-14 (page 1140)
(This is the word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God**)

TALK The greatest commandment

SONG I will offer up my life

PRAYERS ending with THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

NEWS

SONG My heart is filled with thankfulness
Please collect your child from crèche.

BLESSING

The love of the Lord Jesus draw you to Himself, The power of the Lord Jesus strengthen you in His service, The joy of the Lord Jesus fill your hearts; And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Luke 10:38-42

PRAYER OF PREPARATION *led by Maurice Sinclair*

SONGS Tell out, my soul
Bless the Lord

CONFESSIOIN and ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.

SONG As we gather come and teach us

BIBLE READINGS Psalm 27 (page 557), Luke 10:38-42 (page 1042)
(This is the word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God**)

SERMON Choose what is best

INSIGHTS AND QUESTIONS

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SONG O to see the dawn

COMMUNION *see insert*

NEWS

HYMN What a friend we have in Jesus

BLESSING

1. A gentle warning

2. A good example

3. A glorious promise