

Today

'Building for the Future' Gift Day response. Thank you all for your amazingly generous giving. Please send any outstanding responses to the Parish Office as soon as you can.

This Week

Tues 18 Nov Parochial Church Council meeting, 7.45pm at St Wulstan's

Sat 22 Nov Maintenance Day. A day to help out practically with the church buildings. Come down to St Wulstan's at any time between 10.00am and 1.00pm with brushes and shovels if you have any. We will be working on the grounds at St Stephen's too, so it would be great to have as many pairs of hands as possible.

Looking Ahead

Fri 28 Nov Christmas Craft Evening, 7.30pm-9.15pm at St Wulstan's. Doors will not open before 7.30pm. Tickets have sold out, but speak to Jem if you want to go on the waiting list.

Sun 30 Nov Suffering Church Sunday. Speaker from Barnabas Fund with a Bring and Share Lunch afterwards- everybody welcome!

Sat 6 Dec Christmas Advent-ure. Come and join us in the countdown to Christmas. Fun for the whole church family. 2.30-4.00pm at St Wulstans. Fill in a registration form & return it to Helen Buckley. Helen needs couple of people to make sweet dough, she can give you the recipe! She also needs about 6 clean and smooth garden canes. All for Dec 6th, speak to her if you can help.

Mon 15 Dec Carols for Samuel Thornhill. 5.00pm at his house. Please put the date in your diary, and look out for more details in the next few weeks.

Fri 16 Jan Birmingham Churches Night Shelter starts. Every Friday from Jan 16th to March 6th at St Wulstan's. Overnight shelter for 12 homeless men. Volunteers needed for a range of ways to serve. Forms available on information table or contact Tom for more details.

Christmas Services

Carol Services. If you can read music and would like to be involved in the carol services, please speak to Cordelia and note down the following dates and times for musical rehearsals: **Nov 27th** at 8.15pm, **Dec 5th** at 8pm, **Dec 7th** at 4.45pm, **Dec 16th** at 8.15pm and **Dec 21st** at 4.45pm.

News, Notices and Requests

Building for the Future news. The Diocesan Advisory Committee (DAC) now have our Phase 2 petition for the work on the church. Please pray that it may be well received.

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ST STEPHENS AND ST WULSTANS SELLY PARK



taking Jesus seriously, taking the Bible seriously

Welcome

16th November 2014

If you are new, please say 'hello' and pick up a Welcome booklet at the back of Church.

10.00am Morning Service with Holy Communion

'Get ready' (Luke 1:57-80) – Chris Hobbs

Children and young people will go to their activities part way through the service:

0-3s Crèche is in the back room, please collect your child during the song before communion.

3-11s Will be taken to the Medical Centre across the road, and be brought back for communion.

11-14s will meet at the back and be taken to 9 Serpentine Road, they will be brought back at the end of the service.

Toilets are in the foyer, baby-changing facilities are in the disabled toilet.

Coffee, tea and biscuits are served after the service.

6.00pm Evening Service

'How to put out the rubbish' (Philippians 3:1-11) – Andy Martin

Coffee, tea and cakes are served after the service.

Morning Service

Sermon notes

Get ready

Luke 1:57-80

Praise God for our salvation! (v68-69)

1. We are saved from our enemies (v71)

2. We are saved to serve him (v74-75)

3. We are saved through the forgiveness of our sins (v77)

Missed a sermon recently? Please visit www.sssw.org.uk to hear or download an audio version.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION *led by Andy Martin*

Almighty God to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SONG Hallelujah, sing to Jesus

CONFESSION 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.

COLLECT

SONG Come gather everyone and listen

NOTICES

Children and young people leave for their activities

SONG Salvation belongs to our God

BIBLE READINGS Jeremiah 31:31-34 (page 793), Luke 1:57-80 (page 1027)
(This is the word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God**)

SERMON Get ready

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PRAYERS ending with the 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.

SONG Jesus Christ, I think upon your sacrifice
Please collect your child from crèche

COMMUNION *see insert*

SONG There is a redeemer

CLOSING PRAYER

COLLECTION Gifts may be placed in the Gifts box at the back