

**Welcome to
Shirley Parish
Christ the King, St James the Great and St John the Divine**



**This week: 28th Aug – 3rd Sept
Trinity 11**

Sun 28 th	9am Eucharist (St John's) 10.30am Morning Worship (St James & Youtube) 10:30am Morning Worship (Christ the King)
Tues 30 th	10am Welcome Café (St James)
Thurs 1 st	10.30am Eucharist (St James)
Sat 3 rd	9am Parish Prayers (Zoom) 10:30am Private Event (St James) 2pm Afternoon Tea (St John's)
Sun 4 th	8am Eucharist (St James) 10.30am Eucharist (St James & Youtube) 6pm Reflective Worship (St John's)

You can find the videos for the services on the Shirley Parish YouTube channel
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCpcB9321NJzEHS1K9LU-kAg>

Coming up.....

Church House will be closed until Monday 11th September for refurbishment. Details of the project are on the website or contact Kate Crocker 07562664163. Thanks to everyone for being so understanding!

Parish Office – While the work is going on in Church House Ellie and Hannah will be working from home. Please phone 745 8896 to contact them.

Afternoon Tea – St John's will be hosting an afternoon tea on **Saturday 3rd September**, 2pm to 4pm. Tickets are £7 from Gill Hanton (07973 942145 or gill.hanton@btinternet.com).

Mothers Union meeting on Wednesday September 7th, 2.00 pm. The speaker will be Pam Sutton, giving us an update on Troop Aid. The meeting WILL BE **IN CHURCH**, not Church House, due to Church House refurbishments. ALL ARE WELCOME.

Parish Notices

Church House Renovation We have just been awarded a generous grant from the National Lottery Community fund for extra insulation in Church House which will reduce our energy use. We hope to complete this work before the winter. More news in a few weeks!

The eco-church group plans to hold a 'green fair' in church on Saturday 8th October, which is our harvest weekend. There will be information, stalls and activities focussed on caring for creation. We would love to have some ideas (and help!) from the three congregations. Contact Kate C 07562664163

Pam Owen has brightened up the notice board in the South transept and it will be used for news and ideas about our ecochurch activities. On the seat below is a green box with items for anyone to take and re-use, starting with padded envelopes and gift bags. Other ideas for sharing might include seeds or garden produce.

Christmas Tree Festival It's a bit early to think about Christmas but please make a note in your diaries that we will be holding a Christmas Tree Festival from Thursday 8th to Sunday 11th December. Visitors to the festival will be invited to make a donation to charity but which ones? Please let Gill Hanton have your suggestions – gill.hanton@btinternet.com or 07973 942145. If you or your group or organisation would like to have tree in the festival please also let Gill know. The theme of the festival will be Christmas Carols.

Stewardship paperwork – Don't forget to complete the response form and return it to the Parish Office - thank you!

Help with Ukrainian Refugees' English – Could you spare some time to help refugees practise their English? No experience required – please contact Margaret Hill on mrshe@tiscali.co.uk if you are able to help.

Sunday Lunch Club - Is Sunday a quiet day for you, or maybe you looking for something new to do? If so, this may be for you! We are hoping to set up a Sunday lunch club once a month for anyone who would like to come. Details are on a flyer at the back of the churches. Contact Jan Dalton for more details.

The Friends of St James are collecting books as an ongoing project. We would appreciate donations which may be taken to the Parish Office Monday to Friday 9.30am-12.30pm.

Troop Aid is a local charity which supplies 'grab bags' with basic essentials to our injured troops at home and abroad. They require clothing, men's, women's (including bras) and children's to sell on to help with funding. Please contact Margaret Kew on 0121 682 0957.

Food bank – Demand for food banks is still increasing. We most urgently need tinned fruit and veg as well as tinned meat. All other non-perishable food welcome but we have plenty of baked beans and pasta. Thank you

For Prayer – Bishop David and those who work at Bishop’s Croft

The departed and those who mourn them

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, Adam Stiles

Keeping in touch....

Next week’s Pewslip

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

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

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