



Shirley Parish

Christ the King
St James the Great
St John the Divine

Knowing Christ, Making Him Known

29th September – 6th October

Harvest

www.shirleyparishb90.co.uk
office@shirleyparishb90.co.uk
0121 745 8896
Church House, Church Road,
Shirley, B90 2AX

Sun 29th	8am	Eucharist (St James)
Harvest	9am	Eucharist (St Johns)
Festival	10.30am	Eucharist (St James & YouTube)
	10:30am	Eucharist (Christ the King)
	6pm	Forest Church (St John's)
Tues 1st	10am	Welcome Café (Church House)
Thurs 3rd	10:30am	Eucharist (St James)
Fri 4th	10am	Jimmy Tots (Church House)
Sat 5th	9am	Parish Prayers (zoom)
	10:30am	Friends Coffee Morning (Church House)
Sun 6th	10.30am	Parish Eucharist (St James & YouTube)
	6pm	Reflective Service (St James & YouTube)

Rev Paul Day - Vicar

0121 537 9672

vicar@shirleyparishb90.co.uk

(Rest Day is Monday)

Rev Richard Haynes - Curate

0797 253 0161

curate@shirleyparishb90.co.uk

(Rest Day is Friday)

Rev Rich Brooker – Curate

07922 564696

richbrooker@shirleyparishb90.co.uk

(rest day is Friday)

Parish Notices

Harvest Festival – Any food offerings at today's Harvest services will go to the foodbank. Alternatively cash or cheques payable to Narthex Sparkhill or bank transfer to 30-97-97 a/c 00778190 with reference 'Foodbank'

Colin Baugh would like to thank everyone who so generously made donations to the Alzheimers Society at Yvonne's funeral - £369 was raised.

Mothers Union - Our next meeting will be on **Wednesday October 2nd**. We will enjoy a talk by Mary Bodfish entitled "Lest We Forget". We meet in Church House at 2.00pm, and everyone is welcome to join us.

Friends of St. James Coffee Morning on Saturday 5th Oct from 10.30am-12 noon in Church House. We are collecting bric-a-brac, books and jigsaws which can be left in the Parish Office. We would be very pleased to accept cakes on the day of the sale. Hope to see you there!

Next Sunday in our Parish Service representatives from Shine Youth will sharing about their mentoring and support work in local secondary schools

Why do we...? Does God...? Why did Jesus...? Please join us for a time of being Open to Question on a church theme. Quiz a Parish Panel on a wide range of topics of your choosing. Ask about Life, Faith, God... anything you like really. Saturday 12th October 10-11.30am Church House Coffee, tea & goodies. Everyone welcome (plus a friend if you like) **Please send questions in advance, via the Church Office**

Wave of light - to mark Baby Loss Week we will be holding a short reflective service as part of this year's Wave of Light at 3pm on Sunday 13th October in St James Church. This will be an opportunity to name, to remember, to pray, to grieve and, should we wish, to talk. All are welcome

Poppies See the notice on the back of this sheet about the poppy wall

FOODBANK: We "fed" approximately 100 people in 2 hours at St Johns last Wednesday! EVERY TIN COUNTS!

GrowBaby is appealing for boys' clothing, particularly anoraks.

ADAVU –thank you for the ladies' toiletries which will be much appreciated by the rescued ladies whom Liisa is supporting.

For Prayer The Parishes in Our Deanery

Those Who Have Died Jim Pederson, Edna Baker

Years Mind John Wildsmith, Monica Stevens, Lorenzo Downes, George Fisher, Rita Markey, Amy Lloyd & Joan Matthews

Coming up...

Calling all makers and bakers! - please see page 22 of the October Parish Magazine

Coffee Morning - at St John's Church - Monday 14th October - 10.30am until 12 noon - all welcome!

Sunday Lunch - The next Sunday Lunch will be on the 20th October. Menu and sign up sheet will be available from Sunday in the back of St James or contact Jan directly on 07969 326531.

Collect –

Creator God,
you made the goodness of the
land,
the riches of the sea
and the rhythm of the seasons;
as we thank you for the harvest,
may we cherish and respect
this planet and its peoples,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Harvest Festival

Joel 2:21-27

Do not fear, O soil; be glad and rejoice, for the LORD has done great things!

Do not fear, you animals of the field, for the pastures of the wilderness are green; the tree bears its fruit, the fig tree and vine give their full yield. O children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the LORD your God; for he has given the early rain for your vindication, he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before. The threshing-floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil. I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent against you. You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the LORD your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame. You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the LORD, am your God and there is no other. And my people shall never again be put to shame.

1 Timothy 6:6-10

But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

Matthew 6:25-33

“Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life?”

“And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? So do not worry, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

Over 5,000 poppies need to be attached to a backing fabric to make the ‘poppy wall’ which is hung down the tower at St James. A smaller hanging is also to be done for St Johns.

PLEASE VOLUNTEER SO THAT WE CAN MAKE THIS HAPPEN!

A work station is to be set up in Church House week beginning 7th October for 2 weeks.

Please sign up on the timetables available in the 3 churches.

You can also contact the Parish Office if you wish to help.

Thank you in advance for all of your support and to those who have kindly been busy knitting for us.

