



1st – 8th September

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| Sun 1st | 10.30am | Eucharist (St James and YouTube) |
| | 12.30pm | Baptism (St James) |
| | 6pm | Reflective Service (St James & YouTube) |
| Mon 2nd | 2pm | Book Club (Church House) |
| Tues 3rd | 10am | Welcome Café (Church House) |
| | 11am | Funeral of Tom Jones (St James) |
| Wed 4th | 12pm | Ploughman's Lunch (Church House) |
| | 2pm | Mothers Union (Church House) |
| Thurs 5th | 10:30am | Eucharist (St James) |
| Fri 6th | 10am | Jimmy Tots (Church House) |
| Sat 7th | 9am | Parish Prayers (zoom) |
| | 11am | Wedding (St James) |
| Sun 8th | 8am | Eucharist (St James) |
| | 9am | Eucharist (St Johns) |
| | 10.30am | Morning Worship (St James & YouTube) |
| | 10:30am | Eucharist (Christ the King) |

Parish Notices

Parish Office Please remember the office is **closed to visitors** on Mondays.

As from this week the office will close at 11:15 on Fridays.

Holy Communion Wednesday 11 Sept 3pm - everyone welcome. This service is mainly for members of our congregation who are no longer able to come along on Sunday or Thursday mornings, so we are making special arrangements to enable this. If you would like to come along to worship, and catch up with friends, you would be most welcome. Refreshments will be served after the service. For further details, contact Revd Richard Haynes.

Shirley Parish Book Club Monday 2nd September 2pm Church House. Friendly company, delicious snacks and entertaining reading. Why not try it?

Skittles Night – Sept 14th Please let the office know if you will be attending for catering purposes. Tickets £8 payable on the night. Please try to bring the correct money if possible and don't forget to bring your own drinks!

Parish Harvest Supper & Barn Dance - Saturday 28th Sept 6.30pm in Church House. Tickets £10 (£5 for under 12s) now on sale at the Parish Office.

Friends of St. James Coffee Morning on Saturday 5th October 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!

Fairtrade Fortnight 9th-22nd September Justice for hard-working farmers and other workers! Solihull Council has a trail in the town centre where you can explore the Fairtrade story through an art on display in different shops. See the Eco notice board for more detail. 10th September will be a Fairtrade Café – all donations will go to fairtrade

ADAVU – Lisa has asked if we could help with items for the toiletry bags to be given to 3 ladies rescued from trafficking. Basic needs are soap, shower gel, shampoo, flannels, hairbrush, toothbrush and toothpaste. Thank you.

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For Prayer – Bishop Michael and those who work at Bishops Croft

Those Who Have Died – Tom Jones, Yvonne Baugh

Years Mind John Sewell, Elizabeth Wrench, Walter Cox, Bill Hadley, Adam Stiles, Frederick Drinkwater, Elsie Gessey, Frederick Drew, Lilian Ford & Tim Whelan

Coming up...

Coffee Morning - Monday 9th September, 10.30am - 12noon at St John's Church. All welcome.

Macmillan Coffee Morning We will be holding a Macmillan Coffee Morning on 24th September during our usual Welcome Café. Donations of cakes to sell on the day and donations of raffle prizes would be greatly appreciated. Any of these donations can be given to either Dee or Sarah. Thank you.

Collect – Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Readings for Sunday 1st September

Psalm 103:8-14

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always accuse, nor will he keep his anger for ever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is his steadfast love towards those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far he removes our transgressions from us. As a father has compassion for his children, so the Lord has compassion for those who fear him. For he knows how we were made; he remembers that we are dust.

Ephesians 1:3-10

Let us give thanks to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! For in our union with Christ he has blessed us by giving us every spiritual blessing in the heavenly world. Even before the world was made, God had already chosen us to be his through our union with Christ, so that we would be holy and without fault before him. Because of his love God had already decided that through Jesus Christ he would make us his children—this was his pleasure and purpose. Let us praise God for his glorious grace, for the free gift he gave us in his dear Son! For by the blood of Christ we are set free, that is, our sins are forgiven. How great is the grace of God, which he gave to us in such large measure! In all his wisdom and insight God did what he had purposed, and made known to us the secret plan he had already decided to complete by means of Christ. This plan, which God will complete when the time is right, is to bring all creation together, everything in heaven and on earth, with Christ as head.

Luke 15:11-32

Then Jesus said, 'There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, "Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me." So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and travelled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, "How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands.'" So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son." But the father said to his slaves, "Quickly, bring out a robe—the best one—and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!" And they began to celebrate. 'Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, "Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound." Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, "Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!" Then the father said to him, "Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.'"

If you wish to contribute to the notice sheet, please contact the Parish Office by 9am Wednesday (max of 3 sentences). Longer articles to shirleyparishmagazine@gmail.com by the 12th