



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

**This week: 4th - 10th Sept
Trinity 12**

Sun 4 th	8am Eucharist (St James) 10.30am Eucharist (St James & Youtube) 11.30am Friends Cake Sale (St James) 6pm Reflective Worship (St John's)
Mon 5 th	2pm Book Club (St James)
Tues 6 th	10am Welcome Café (St James) 12pm Craft Club (St James)
Weds 7 th	9.30am Safeguarding Course (St James) 2pm MU Troop Aid Talk (St James) 7.30pm PCC meeting (St James)
Thurs 8 th	10.30am Eucharist (St James)
Fri 9 th	12.15pm Funeral
Sat 10 th	9am Parish Prayers (Zoom) 1pm Wedding
Sun 11 th	9am Eucharist (St John's) 10.30am Morning Worship (St James & Youtube) 10:30am Eucharist (Christ the King)

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

Coming up.....

Paul will be away from Monday 12th September until Friday 30th September on holiday then on retreat. Please contact the wardens in case of emergency.

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.

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.**

Sunday Lunch Club The next lunch will take place on the 25th September as long as all is well with Church House. Please either sign up on the list at the back of church or contact Jan Dalton directly on 07969326531. Currently unfortunately we will have to limit numbers, so do sign up if you want to come.

Macmillan Coffee Morning in Welcome Café on September 27th. Cakes needed to sell please!

The Friends of St. James are inviting you to a Coffee Morning on Saturday 8th October from 10.30am until 12 noon in Church House. We are collecting bric a brac and books and if you want these collected while the Parish Office is closed please ring Christine on 07794 974354 (cakes on the morning, please). See you there!

Parish Notices

Messy Church needs your help - again. This time we're after the tubes from the middle of your kitchen rolls (only). Please put them in the box in the South transept from Sunday 11th Sept. Thank you.

The tower clock works have been taken away to Cumbria for repair this week. It seems that the mechanism is quite rare and there has been a lot of input from experts on how best to preserve it. Many thanks to the Solihull CIL Fund for their generous grant and to the Friends of St James and the anonymous donors for supporting this project.

The works in Church House are progressing thanks to some very hard work by Joe (Neil Fair Electrical) and Graham Darnley, who developed the garden for us last year. We will need help cleaning up at the end of next week, most likely on Saturday 10th If anyone is willing to help please put your name and phone number on the sheet at the back of church. Many thanks. Kate C (07562664163)

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 mrsheem@tiscali.co.uk if you are able to help.

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

ADAVU Can someone help a four year old girl with a pair of warm tights as she starts school, please?

For Prayer – Those who work and support us in the Diocesan offices

The departed and those who mourn them

Years Mind: Frederick Drinkwater, Elsie Gessey, Frederick Drew, Lilian Ford, Tim Whelan, Thomas Wright, Stanley Willis, Ernie (Ernest) Briggs

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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