



Weekly News 3rd September 2020



Our Mission Partner Heather Johnstone will be joining us during our online 11:30 services on 6th September

The Growth of St Catherine Wednesday 16th September at 7:30pm at St Catherine

This meeting which will be set within a service of Holy Communion will be to talk strategies for growth in number, finance and depth of discipleship. I'll be feeding back the relevant information from the Vision Day that we held back in January, we'll be looking at our history, where we are today, where we want to be in the future and the things we'll need to all put in place to get there.

Wednesday 16th September at 7:30pm at St Catherine with Communion

Seats must be booked in advance with priority for St Catherine congregation and extra capacity for PCC members. To book your seat please call **07870 892160** on 3rd, 7th, 9th September between 7pm and 9pm for priority and 14th September for extra capacity.

APCM (Annual Parochial Church Meeting) is the place where we vote in our Churchwardens, PCC and Deanery Synod Members. It is also the place where we look over the past year and look ahead to the future.

To take part in the majority of the voting you need to be on our **Electoral Roll**. If you are not on the roll and would like to join please email Sandra to ask for the paperwork.
lickeyoffice@btinternet.com

With the COVID regulations we are not able to gather altogether at one time so in line with our Diocese suggestion we will run the meeting 3 times, and count all of the votes together at the end of the 3 meetings. In addition you can only vote in one meeting even if you attend several!
Please, please come to make it worth us repeating the meeting 3 times over!!

They are as follows:

Wednesday 7th October 7:30pm - 9pm at St Catherine with Communion

(seats must be pre booked with priority for St Catherine's congregation and extra capacity for PCC members)

Sunday 11th October 6pm online via zoom

Wednesday 14th October 7:30pm - 9pm at Holy Trinity with Communion

(seats must be pre booked with priority for Holy Trinity congregations who do not zoom and extra capacity for those at Holy Trinity who do zoom)

I know that booking in is a real pain, however we need to do this for 3 reasons

- 1) To comply with test and trace during the pandemic
- 2) We have to have a full record of who attends the APCM, we would in usual years pass around a piece of paper for you to sign, of course we unable to do this at present, however we have that information from the seat booking
- 3) So I can safely set up in advance for Communion knowing our numbers

You can book in as priority for either of the Wednesday evening meetings 07870 892160 on 7th, 10th, 14th, 17th, 21st, 24th September between 7pm and 9pm
And you can book in for extra capacity 07870 892160 on 28th September, 1st October, 5th October between 7pm and 9pm

Deanery Synod

We are entitled to 4 members at Synod. These roles become increasingly important now that we have

- a) merged deaneries and become part of a much bigger one
- b) a paid Area Dean in post (applications are currently being sought)
- c) much of the decisions about our deanery in terms of deployment of resources and needs will be here. This is a strategic place where decisions that affect us will happen. Regular feedback to PCC will be needed.

The role of a Synod member lasts for 3 years and this year is the new recruitment. The Diocese have put together some paperwork (which we will post out) and a film clip.

More information on the role can be found here.

<https://www.cofebirmingham.com/about-us/what-we-do/people-places/news-updates/deanery-synod-elections.php>

and here

https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=1&v=8cWdwS5q6-o&feature=emb_logo

Do be thinking, do be nudging people to be nominated!!

Foodcycle Are now in The Trinity Centre Monday – Saturday until the end of October providing free weekly food parcels to those who need them in B45 and B31 – they are also supporting families in both of our Primary Schools. During the pandemic they have delivered over 10,000 food parcels.

If you would like to donate food / toiletries / home grown you can do that via the box on the Vicarage Porch.

You can find out more about national charity Foodcycle here <https://www.foodcycle.org.uk/>

Drivers and Parcel Packers Needed

Can you give half a day / a day or more each week to deliver emergency food parcels from The Trinity Centre to the people who need it in B45 and B31 – expenses will be covered.

As several of the Food Cycle Volunteers are returning back to work extra hands are needed

Sunday 9:30am service of Holy Communion in Holy Trinity beginning Sunday 19th July – 6th September

Remember that seats must be booked in advance for this service and unless you are exempt you need to wear a face covering and bring a small bottle of hand sanitiser with you. Holy Communion is available in one kind though how we distribute will be very different.

Sunday 9:30am service in Holy Trinity – Audio Recording beginning Sunday 19th July – 6th September

This service will have the audio recorded which will then be put onto our website www.lickeychurch.com for listening at a later date.

Sunday 11:30 online service beginning Sunday 19th July – 6th September

Our online service is for everyone from the youngest to oldest member. It will be interactive with many members from across our congregations taking part in a variety of ways. Remember it's online, why not invite your friends, family and neighbours to join us.

During the service you will be asked which breakout group you would like to be part of to explore the Bible passage further. You can choose from the following groups and even select a different group each week. Come ready to know which group you would like to be part of for that particular week – it will need to be a household decision.

1. **Exploring the Bible Passage Through Discussion** (you may need your Bible, pen and paper to hand)
2. **Exploring the Bible Passage Through Reflecting on a Piece of Art** (you may need your Bible, pen and paper to hand)
3. **Exploring the Bible Passage Through Creating** (you will need your preferred material to create for example junk modelling materials, playdough, paint, glue, lego, pencil, thread)
4. **Exploring the Bible Passage through Action** (you will need a Bible and pen and paper to brainstorm ideas to then put into action during the week ahead)

When you log on please do so by 11:20am so that we can begin promptly. Please have your microphone muted ready. We will begin at 11:30am and aim to end at 12:30pm, you are welcome to have a coffee and a snack at your side and if you have a percussion instrument / homemade shaker do have them ready too. If you want to come prepared then our Bible passage each week will be the Gospel reading for the day which can be found in the daily readings document emailed out every Thursday.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89255394107?pwd=OW12aUQ0Z1dZaTVlbFUwVVBwMjd4QT09>

Meeting ID: 892 5539 4107

Password: Worship

Sunday 6pm – Coffee and Catch Up

This is the place to catch up over coffee and share the joys and challenges of the week.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89885504102?pwd=QzJYckpkblRyKzMwVF1xOWhXMdRrdz09>

Meeting ID: 898 8550 4102

Password: 508449

Wednesday Tiny Church

The you tube session for Tiny Church goes live each Wednesday via our Website www.lickeychurch.com

Wednesday 10:30am Communion On-Line beginning Wednesday 22nd July - 9th September

As part of the new pattern of services, a weekly Wednesday Morning Communion Service, led by Rev's Glyn and Maureen will be starting soon. Although it will be online, we will be using a printed service sheet, so that the service is one in which everyone can participate. If you are not able to print a Service Sheet at home, or would prefer a large print copy, please contact us

(revmodew@btinternet.com) and we will arrange to print copies for distribution. Please include address and contact details. This is an open service for anyone who would like to take part. (Glyn and Maureen) do invite your friends, family and neighbours to join us.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9562586000?pwd=dU9mSCtJOHdOb1VUbnJnQ0pBWnA0UT09>

Meeting ID: 956 258 6000

Password: 787447

Wednesday 7pm Fast Forward (14's – 18's) with Emma Sargeant

See Emma for the code if applicable

Thursday 10:30am 6 Weeks In The Books of Kings 20th August – 24th September

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81823399942?pwd=d2RVeG95ZnhVd0ZjUjNwSVVQbkIrZz09>

Meeting ID: 818 2339 9942

Password: 169815

Prayers on the Drive

If you are missing face to face conversation and prayer then '**Prayers on the Drive**' is for you! Groups are limited to 6 people, outside and socially distanced at 2 metres, but a really lovely way to pray together, share the joys and challenges of the week and chew over the Bible together. You might need to be flexible regarding the weather!! Simply invite your church friends to join you.

And please do keep in regular contact with each other, don't wait for someone to call you, give someone a call or send an email today.

Finally, please keep in your prayers those who are ill - having treatment, tests or in any need; that God's healing love is known for: Oliver Portman, Mark Davis, John Oakes, Peter Gant, Colin Benton, Betty Gorman, Sue Parry, Brian Smith, Pauline Corbett, John Jones, Ruth Howard, Dini Mensinga (Libby's family), Gemma Collins Ann Smith, Berni Belcher, Jane Price, Anette Stevens and family, Hamish Ireland, John Jones, Jill Gould, Lesley Rogers, Mike Rogers and all known to us.

Alison Marshman has a date for her Knee operation - 21st September – please be praying for Alison and John.

Have a great week

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