

**PRAYER
FOCUS**



***We pray for those who are ill - having treatment,
tests or in any need of God's love;***

Emma Brookman, Lorri Withers, Ruth and Jim Wood, Bernie,
Hamish Ireland, Maureen Dew, Andrea Stevens,
Brian Parr, Chris Seymour, Daniel Cookman, Joyce Hurenkamp
and all known to us.

***Please keep in your prayers the friends and
family of those who have recently died;***

Brian Harley, John Marshman

Prayer focus for May

Lord our God, may the risen saviour be with us in this new month. Help us to remember His sacrifice for us and to honour His name in all that we do. Bring His living strength to all of us, especially the sick, the poor, the lonely and those who are distressed by the horrors of the world. Amen

Prayer for 11th May

Father in heaven, we thank You that again and again you have led us through the darkness on a path of light, help us to bring light to the darkness of others and lead them along this path to you. Amen

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Our **Sunday sermons** are now online do make the most of them
www.lickeychurch.com

SUNDAY 11th May 2025

COLLECT

Risen Christ,
Faithful shepherd of your
Fathers sheep: teach us
to hear your voice and to
follow your command,
that all your people may
be gathered into one flock,
to the glory of God the Father.
Amen

Today's Readings

**Acts 9: v36-end (page 894)
John 10: v22-30 (page 873)**

Today's Services

11.00am

4.30pm

St. Catherine

Holy Communion (Blackwell Fringe Festival)

Songs of Praise (Blackwell Fringe Festival)

NEXT WEEK

Monday 12th

10.30am

Coffee Cake and Chat (Holy Trinity)

Wednesday 14th

10.00am
11.30am
2.00pm

**Midweek Communion Service (Holy Trinity)
Tiny Church Stay and Play (Holy Trinity)
Monthly Communion (Redwood House)**

Thursday 15th

11.00am

**Funeral of John Marshman (Holy Trinity,
Lickey then 12noon at Waseley
Crematorium) followed by wake at Old
Rose and Crown, Rose Hill.**

Friday 16th

1pm

**Funeral of Brian Harley (Holy Trinity then
2pm at Waseley Crematorium)**

Sunday 18th May

10.00am

**Holy Trinity
Joint Holy Communion**

Financial Giving: We do not pass a collection plate around during our services, however if you are able to give, you will find a donation plate and a card reader at the back of our churches. Our buildings and ministries are generously funded by members of our congregation, venue hire and fees. Many church members are able to set up direct monthly giving towards the almost £3000 a week that it costs to keep our buildings running and ministries flourishing. Do be in touch if you would like to discuss how our finances work or if you would like to set up a regular donation.

Blackwell Fringe Festival 9th – 11th May 2025

Friday 9th May

10:30am – 12noon Coffee, Cake and Chat in the Wheel.

Flower Festival in Church - Church open 10:30 - 4pm for flower drop off, Judging at 6:30pm

Art Exhibition in The Wheel - The Wheel open for set up from 12:30 - 4pm.

Christian Aid Plant sale All Day

7pm Talk from our Exhibiting Artists with a glass of wine

Saturday 10th May

Church and the Wheel to be open and staffed with church volunteers from 10am-5pm

Blackwell First School Choir 11am, cuppa /squash on sale afterwards.

3 Choirs Festival - alcohol on sale in the interval / after the performance

Sunday 11th May

Church and the Wheel to be open and staffed with church volunteers from 10am-5pm

10am Morning Service all welcome

4pm Blackwell's Songs of Praise -come and sing with us. Glass of wine on sale afterwards.

Save the dates for visits from our World Mission Partners

Sunday 29th June Rachel Gidney will give a brief update in our services

Saturday 19th July Gill Edwards is raising funds for Bishop Walter with an afternoon tea at the Trinity Centre

Saturday August 9th Rachel Gidney and with Liz Hosker from Teach Beyond will give a full update ready for Rachel's move to Kenya in September 2025

Thursday 20th November a special service hosted by Bishop Michael to welcome Bishop Walter of Bolivia to the Diocese

Sunday 23rd November Bishop Walter of Bolivia is our guest preacher for St Catherine's Day and lunch

Saturday 6th December Heather Johnstone CMS Tanzania will host a stall at the Christmas Fayre

Steve Colley has written a new book about his beloved choir - 'Oakville Singers: the first 60 years' (Steve has been a member for only 57 years!) For a donation of just £5.00, you may like a copy. If so, just speak to Steve or email him at stevecolleyat52@gmail.com

Deanery Synod - a sneaky peak! - We are hosting Deanery Synod on Wednesday 18th June from 7pm at Holy Trinity. If you've always wondered what goes on, this is your opportunity to have a back row seat!! Let Sheri know if you'd like to be there. We will also need a few people to serve tea and coffee, please let Sheri know if you'd like to do that.

Many thanks to our church family for all the support, prayerful and practical, which you have given John and me over the past two years and for the many cards and words of condolence which myself and the family have received following John's death. I have found these to be of great comfort. We would welcome any of our church family able to attend John's funeral to join us afterwards at the Old Rose and Crown on Rose Hill, where light refreshments will be served. Please let me know on 0121 445 3802 if you have special dietary needs. Alison Marshman

Volunteers' Coffee and Croissants Saturday 14th June 10am - 11:30am

Our activities and services can only happen with your active support. Whether you arrange flowers, serve coffee, lead us in worship, support children or youth groups, serve communion, operate the sound, build lego, welcome people, wash communion linen, lead prayers, change candles, bake cakes, lead a homegroup etc etc etc, Sheri would love to serve you coffee and croissants at The Vicarage. Please RSVP by the end of May with any dietary needs to Sheri.

You are warmly invited to a Bring and Share Buffet Lunch

Thursday 12:30 – 2pm on 29th May, 19th June, 24th July, 14th August

At The Vicarage, 30 Lickey Square B45 8HB

Jacket Potatoes will be provided, please bring for the shared buffet either a salad, quiche, meat, cheese, dessert or soft drink.

(Due to an airborne nut allergy, we politely request no dishes containing nuts)

Contact Rev Sheri Gidney 0121 445 1185 for further information.

Sunday Services May – June 2025

18th May

10.00am Joint Holy Communion (Holy Trinity, Lickey)

25th May

10.00am Joint Holy Communion (St. Catherine, Blackwell)

1st June

10.00am Holy Communion (St. Catherine, Blackwell)

4.00pm Informal Service (Holy Trinity, Lickey)

8th June

10.00am Holy Communion (Holy Trinity, Lickey)

4.00pm Church at 4 (Holy Trinity, Lickey)

15th June

10.00am Holy Communion (Holy Trinity, Lickey) Trinity Sunday with Bishop Michael and church lunch.

4.00pm Church at 4 (Holy Trinity, Lickey)

22nd June

10.00am Holy Communion (St. Catherine, Blackwell)

4.00pm Church at 4 (Holy Trinity, Lickey)

29th June

10.00am Holy Communion (Holy Trinity, Lickey) WLAT – Rachel IcFEM

4.00pm Church at 4 (Holy Trinity, Lickey)