

**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, Chris Seymour, Daniel Cookman, Joyce Hurenkamp, Caroline Watts, Jimmy Pratt, Bethan Kuriger, Casey Gilliver, Danielle Roberts, Steve Bach, Stephanie Moustache  
 And all known to us.

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

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**Prayer focus for March**

Heavenly Father, thank You for the gift of this new month. Let the warmer days sweep away the heaviness of winter and the spring flowers remind us that new life always follows stillness. Grant us the courage to step into fresh opportunities, the patience to wait for what is still growing and the wisdom to see Your hand in every detail. Amen

**Prayer for 1<sup>st</sup> March**

May this day be filled with kindness in our words, purpose in our actions, and gratitude in our hearts. Amen

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**Most Sunday sermons are online** do make the most of them  
[www.lickeychurch.com](http://www.lickeychurch.com)

**SUNDAY 1<sup>st</sup> March**

<b><u>COLLECT</u></b>		<b><u>Today's Readings</u></b>	
Almighty God, By the prayer and discipline of Lent may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings and by following in his Way may we come to share in his glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen		<b>Romans 4: 1-5, 13-17 (Pg 916)</b>  <b>John 3: 1-17 (Pg 864)</b>	
<b><u>Today's Service's</u></b>			
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT		10.00am	<b><u>St. Catherine</u></b> Joint Holy Communion
		4.00pm	<b><u>Holy Trinity</u></b> Informal Evening Worship
<b>NEXT WEEK</b>	<b>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	10.30am	Coffee Cake and Chat (Holy Trinity)
	<b>Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup></b>	10.00am 11.15am 3.00pm	Midweek Communion (Holy Trinity) Tiny Church stay and Play (Holy Trinity) Monthly Communion (Cofton Park Manor)
	<b>Thursday 5<sup>th</sup></b>	2.00pm	Angel Voices Revelation Course (The Wheel) – see notices
	<b>Friday 6<sup>th</sup></b>	2.00pm	World Day of Prayer (St. Stephens, Rednal)
	<b><u>Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March</u></b>		10.00am
		4.00pm	Church at 4

**Eco Tip**

Why not take broken items to the Bromsgrove Repair Café rather than throwing them away? The Cafe is open on the 1st Saturday of each month from 2.30pm-5.30pm at All Saint's Church Hall, 6 Burcot Lane, B60 1AD. Check out [www.repaircafe.org/en](http://www.repaircafe.org/en)

**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.

**If you are new to church and would like to join our electoral roll** - please complete a form from the back of church and hand it to Denise or drop it into the office by 15<sup>th</sup> March.

### **Time to Be - Saturday 14th March**

#### **Saturday 14th March, 11am-12noon - Holy Trinity Church Lickey**

Holy Trinity church will be open to offer a safe space for anyone who finds Mother's Day difficult. Come and have a cuppa, light a candle or sit and reflect with suggested readings and prayers. We will be available if you would like a private chat or require prayer.

(This space is for everyone, no matter your circumstances).

### **Save The Date:**

12 March at 2pm Angel Voices Revelation Course in the Wheel  
19<sup>th</sup> March, 30<sup>th</sup> April 12.30pm Bring/Share Buffet Lunch at The Vicarage  
13<sup>th</sup> June – 2-4pm Grand Birthday Party at Holy Trinity, Lickey.  
20<sup>th</sup> June – Blackwell Festival – further information to follow.

**Friday 15th May 7pm Holy Trinity Church** The Oakville Singers with Lickey Hills Primary School Choir will be holding a concert to raise money for church funds. Please save the date, ticket details to follow.

### **March Services**

Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> – 10am - St. Catherine	4pm Informal Evening Service - Holy Trinity
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> - 10am - Holy Trinity	4pm Church at 4 - Holy Trinity
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> – 10am - St. Catherine	4pm Church at 4 – Holy Trinity
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> – 10am - Holy Trinity	4pm Church at 4 – Holy Trinity
Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup> - 10am - St. Catherine	4pm Messy Easter – Holy Trinity
10am - Holy Trinity	

**Some of our white tablecloths are missing;** have you taken any to kindly launder, or put them tidily away somewhere – please let Alison Rushton know if you have any?

## **Mission Partner Events**

### **Roger and CMM are excited to share the launch of 'Angel Voices'**

on Saturday, 28<sup>th</sup> March 2026, 7pm at Bromsgrove Baptist Church, Bromsgrove, B60 2JD and would be thrilled if you could come.

### **Birmingham City Mission is 60 this year.**

Both Sheri and Dave are former staff members of BCM and are holding a cake and coffee fundraiser to mark BCM's milestone birthday. **Thursday 9th April 11am-12:30pm and 2pm-3:30pm** at The Vicarage for Cake and Coffee - BCM's bookstall will also be with us.

### **Would you like to visit Rachel in Kenya as part of a group?**

Sheri Gidney is leading a group visit to Kenya for supporters of Rachel in late April / early May 2027 - would you like to be part of this trip? If so, please email her to register your interest [sherigidney@gmail.com](mailto:sherigidney@gmail.com) Rachel is home for a few weeks in April 2026 so we will be holding a meeting at **7pm on 20th April 2026** at 30 Lickey Square, B45 8HB for anyone interested in finding out more about the 2027 trip. Coming to this meeting does not commit you to the trip. All visitors will need a DBS and to be safely recruited following IcFEM's visitor policy. The cost is approx £1700 pp plus vaccinations. GPs will vary; vaccines could be up to £700max, some GPs will offer these free of charge.

### **A Musical Treat at St Andrew's!**

An Afternoon with Esther Simkiss **3pm • Saturday 25 April • St Andrew's Church Barnt Green**

Get ready for a joyful afternoon of musical theatre favourites as Esther returns to St Andrew's for an informal concert filled with music and stories. This is a free event, and everyone is warmly invited.

During the concert we'll also be supporting **IcFEM Dreamland Mission in Kenya**, where Esther has volunteered, teaching music and drama at the Dreamland Education Centre. Donations on the day will go directly to support their inspiring work.

Come along, bring friends, and enjoy an uplifting afternoon of music - all for a fantastic cause. We'd love to see you there!

**Rachel IcFEM/Teach Beyond** will be talking to us about her first months in Kenya on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April at Holy Trinity, Lickey

**A Christian Aid plant sale** is planned for 9 – 11 May - further information to follow.