

**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, Lawrence Croft, Joe Brown  
And all known to us.

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

Bishop Walter Toro, Fay Massey,

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**Prayer focus for May**

Loving God, as the earth renews itself in this season, renew our spirit and fill us with courage to face the challenges in our lives. Bless us with your peace and surround us with Your never ending love. Amen

**Prayer for 3<sup>rd</sup> May**

Lord our God, let Your light come to your people everywhere on earth to bring them your help and your victory. Amen

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**Please note: Sheri's Rest Day is usually a Tuesday.**

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**Please note: Jane works Monday in the church office**

**Most Sunday sermons are online** do make the most of them

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**SUNDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> May**

**COLLECT**

**Risen Christ,  
Your wounds declare your love  
for the world and the wonder of  
your risen life: give us compassion  
and courage to risk ourselves  
for those we serve, to the glory of  
God the Father. Amen**

**Today's Readings**

**Acts 7 v 55-end (Pg 891)**

**John 14 v 1-14 (Pg 877)**

**Today's Service's**

**10.00am**

**St. Catherine  
Joint Holy Communion**

**4.00pm**

**Holy Trinity  
Informal Evening Praise**

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup>**

**BANK HOLIDAY**

**NO Coffee, Cake and Chat today**

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup>**

**10.00am  
11.15am  
3.00pm**

**Midweek Communion (Holy Trinity)  
Tiny Church Stay and Play (Holy Trinity)  
Monthly Communion (Cofton Park  
Manor)**

**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup>**

**10.00am  
7pm**

**Christian Aid Plant Sale (Blackwell  
Community Hall) - see notices  
B45 Churches Together Christian Aid  
Quiz Night (Our Lady's Church Hall) -  
see notices**

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup>**

**11.15am**

**There is no 10am service in our  
churches today, we join our friends at  
St. Leonards as below**

**St. Leonards, Frankley  
Oversight Area Joint Service**

**4pm**

**Holy Trinity  
Informal Evening Praise**

**NEXT WEEK**

**Eco Tip**

World Fairtrade Day is an annual global celebration dedicated to promoting the principles of fair trade. This year it falls on Saturday 9th May. Why not join in by trying a new fairtrade item as part of your weekly food shop?

**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.

In order that we can ensure there is enough refreshment for our **Grand Birthday Party on 13<sup>th</sup> June**, please be aware that there is a sign up sheet at the back of both churches for those who wish to attend.

**Christian Aid Quiz** - Would you like to be part of our parish team at the B45 Churches Together Quiz Night in aid of Christian Aid. Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May 7pm at Our Lady's Church Hall, Leach Green Lane B45 8NQ. £2 per person, raffle as well. Please bring your own drinks and nibbles. Book via Ann Smith 07946366326 or Phil Jackson 07842355301

**Open Church in June** - During the Sundays in June, we hope to open Holy Trinity church between 2pm and 4pm as part of our 170<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations. If you could volunteer to be there to put the kettle on for one of the Sundays please let Sheri know.

**9<sup>th</sup> May The Christian Aid Plant Sale** will be at the Blackwell Community Centre from 10am during the Muntjac Coffee Morning. 11<sup>th</sup> May 10.30am they will be at Coffee, Cake and Chat at Holy Trinity, Lickey. **Donations of plants can be dropped off at Anne O'Loughlin's, 343 Alcester Rd Burcot, 07952301835 or on the day from 9.30am at the Community Hall. I can also collect donations. Thank you.**

### **Save The Date;**

**15<sup>th</sup> May 7pm Oakville Singers with Lickey Hills Primary School Choir** at Holy Trinity, to raise money for church funds. See flyer and posters in church  
**21<sup>st</sup> May - 12.30-2pm Bring/Share Buffet Lunch at The Vicarage**  
**22<sup>nd</sup> May – 10.30am Coffee, Cake and Chat, The Wheel Blackwell**  
**4<sup>th</sup> June - 12.30-2pm 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.  
**16<sup>th</sup> July - 12.30-2pm Bring/Share Buffet Lunch at The Vicarage**



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The Churchwardens and Parochial Church Council of  
St Stephen the Martyr, Rednal, Birmingham  
invite you to the Collation  
by the Rt Revd Esther Prior, Bishop of Aston  
and the Induction by The Venerable Jenny Tomlinson,  
Archdeacon of Birmingham  
of The Revd Chris Chalmers  
as Vicar of St Stephens, Rednal Parish Church  
on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm  
at St Stephen the Martyr, Edgewood Road,  
Rednal, B45 8SG.  
*Followed by light refreshments.*  
Clergy and Readers are invited to robe in the  
Rodney Room prior to the service:  
Cassock and surplice with scarf and hood  
or appropriate denominational equivalent.  
Please RSVP by 10<sup>th</sup> May to  
[enquiries@ststephenschurchrednal.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@ststephenschurchrednal.co.uk)  
07848833004  
*There is street parking around the church.*



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### **Confirmation**

**Confirmation is a special church service** in which a person confirms the promises that were made when they were baptized. If you were baptized at a christening when you were a child, your parents and godparents made these promises on your behalf. As a young person or adult, you may be ready to affirm these promises for yourself and commit your life to following Jesus Christ. At a confirmation service, you make these promises for yourself. Your friends and family as well as the local Christian community will be there to promise to support and pray for you. The local bishop will lay their hands on your head and ask God's Holy Spirit to give you the strength and commitment to live God's way for the rest of your life. Our next Confirmation Service is **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July 4:30pm at St Chad Rubery**. Sheri will begin to prepare our candidates very soon. If you would like to be Confirmed in this service please speak to Sheri