SPOTLIGHT LINK NEWSLETTER

ASTWOOD BANK PARISH CHURCH- a member of 'Christ the King' team ministry

Week Commencing 10th February 2019

Fr Michael Bartlett- Tel 01527 545709 (Team Rector) Crabbs Cross Fr Glenn Reading - Tel 01527 894436 or 07964 82278 (Team Vicar) Astwood Bank & Headless Cross

Welcome to St Matthias & St George Parish Church -Church Road

Services for 10th February (4 Before Lent) 10.30am Sung Eucharist (CW) led by Fr Glenn with Sunday Stars in the Hall.

Services for W/C 10th February Monday 11th 12 noon Mid-day prayers Tuesday 12th 10.00am said Eucharist

Services for W/C 17th February Sunday 17th 9.00am said Eucharist (Common Worship) 3 Before Lent (Septuagesima) led by Fr Glenn 10.30am Family informal service led by Irene 6.30pm sung Evensong led by Fr Glenn

Monday 18th 12noon Mid-day prayers Tuesday 19th 10.00am said Eucharist

There is a loop system for those with impaired hearing.

Please stay and enjoy a cup of coffee/tea after the Sunday morning service. A children's corner is at the back of the church.

We continue to pray for Philippa Kreuser, Rosie, Alex, Jean Lees, Joyce Thomas, Margaret Emms, Margaret Mills, Marion Williams, Tally, Alexei, Sarah Harwood, Rev Ivor and Dora Merry, Margaret Savage, Ann Heath, Liz, Janie and Stewart Kirby, Nesta Pearman, Hazel Richards, Heather, and all their families

RIP

We continue to pray for the souls of Mick Bolt and Rosemary Hudson who have died recently. We remember and pray for their families and friends at this time.

Worcester Diocesan Prayers

We are entreated to remember Kingswinford Deanery and their Rural Dean, David Hoskin in our prayers, as well as the Diocese of Malaita (Melanesia) and Bishop Samuel Sahu.

A Prayer notice board is available for prayer requests Please pray for the needs on it, for those who are sick and those who need our prayer support.

Telephone Prayer Chain - to address urgent prayer requests. Would you like to join or use the Prayer Chain? Contact Pauline Jones Tel 01527 892650.

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Pastoral Care

If you know of someone who requires a pastoral visit for sickness or any other reason please inform Irene Hamilton Tel 01527 894179.

Churches Together

The Salvation Army thank God for the resources He provides for them especially for the charity shop in Crabbs Cross which He continues to bless with customers, good staff and volunteers. Which way next? They are at the beginning of a Mission Development Plan seeking God's will and Kingdom ways in this process.

We pray for the Alexandra Hospital Chaplaincy Team and Rev David Ryan, along with the life, work, staff and patients in general. Especially at this time of year when hospitals are most under pressure due to winter illnesses.

Nightstop foodbank

There is a box at the rear of the church in which you can place food and toiletry gifts

Spotlight notices for inclusion give to Tony Strong by Thursday 1pm. Tel 01527 893560 (for the next two weeks until Richard is back).

Stamps

The stamps and 5p collections are still on-going. Please put any stamps collected from Christmas cards in the box at the back of church or in an envelope through the letterbox of Pam Emery who collects them for charity.

Message from our future Curate Victoria Barlow I am training at Queens Foundation in Birmingham, and currently spend my life divided between large theology books, my church family, my motorcycle, a choir that I accompany, and my family, probably not always in that order! My current church is in Perry Barr. I lived in Worcestershire for four years previously to coming to Queens. We are really exited about coming to Redditch this

summer to serve with both the church families.