

Welcome to St Matthias & St George Parish Church.
A member of "Christ the King" team ministry.
Week Commencing 24th June 2018

O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever. Psalm 107 v 1

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**Today's Services for Sunday 24th June,
4rd Sunday after Trinity.**

10.30 am sung Eucharist (Common Worship),
with Sunday Stars in the hall.

Hymns:

46 *At the Name of Jesus*

76 *Christ is made the sure foundation*

466 *Teach me my God and King*

372 *O Jesus I have promised*

Services for W/C 24th June

Monday 25th 12 noon, mid-day prayers

Tuesday 26th 10.00am said Eucharist

Sunday 1st July 9.00 am said Eucharist (Book of
Common Prayer)

10.30 am informal Family Service led by Irene.

We pray for those who are sick:- Mick Bolt, Philippa Kreuser, Rosie, Alex, Edna Weale, Jean Lees, Joyce Thomas, Margaret Emms, Margaret Mills, Marion Williams, Tally, Alexei, Sarah Harwood, Rosemary Hudson, Rev Ivor and Dora Merry, Margaret Savage, Ann Heath, and their families.

We pray for the souls of Valerie Shipley, Stephen Goddard, Kevin Maloney and Lyn Jones recently departed, and also remember their families in our prayers.

Prayer Chain: Pauline Jones is the Prayer Chain contact. If you have someone you wish to be prayed for, please contact Pauline on 892650 who will then contact other members of the Prayer Group.

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

Collectors Corner: Margaret Andrew continues to collect old magazines with lots of pictures, for **male** dementia patients. Please leave them at the back of the church.

Spotlight' Notices: Please give notices for inclusion in next week's issue to **Richard Porteous** by next Thursday on 01527 542620 or at richardporteous@yahoo.co.uk
Log onto our website for more information.
www.astwoodbankchurch.org.uk

Christian Aid Week: Pauline Jones, who has co-ordinated the Christian Aid street collection again this year, wishes to thank Ann Robinson, Irene, Meg, Sarah, Sonia, Tony, along with various spouses, for undertaking the collecting. Pauline and those mentioned above collected £388.22 with a further £72.25 being raised through Gift Aid making a total of £460.47; despite being 4 collectors down on last year. Ann also helped open all the envelopes and count the money for which Pauline was most grateful.

Pauline asks us all to consider being a collector in future, perhaps pairing up with someone, and suggesting to her how many houses we'd be prepared to deliver to and in which areas.

Thanks must also go to Barrie Summers who completed the Christian Aid walk and raised a whopping £505.00! What with the £341 raised so far by Rev Barry and Pat Jones the walkers did Christian Aid proud. Barrie Summers' amount was added to the street collection making £899.22 being paid in by Astwood Bank Church (with the Gift Aid making it a notional £965.47!)

Our thanks must go to Pauline for yet again organising the collection as well as being a collector, envelope opener, money counter etc.!

Strawberry Tea: Irene would like to thank all those who helped in any way with the success of yesterday's Strawberry Tea. Though very much a social event it had its fundraising side and that figure will be included in next week's Spotlight. Thank you Irene for all the hard work that you put into organising such an event.

The recent **Tidy Up Week** was a qualified success in that, whilst a lot was accomplished, more could have been with a few more people offering up a small amount of time to undertake jobs either inside the church or around the church grounds. If you are able to offer up some time this coming week please speak to Irene (894179) as regards what still needs to be carried out. If you need to gain entry to the church either collect a key from Irene or from Pam Emery (892588) but please ring first to ensure that a key is available.

Refugee Week: The past week has been refugee awareness week with International Refugee Day being last Wednesday. Were you aware? One thing we should all be aware of is that Christ and his family were refugees for 11 years. Perhaps that single fact should determine our views towards refugees.

