

Welcome to St Matthias & St George Parish Church.
A member of “Christ the King” team ministry.
Week Commencing 12th August 2018

Jesus said.... 'Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life.'
John 6 v 47 - 48

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Today's Service for Sunday 12th August, 11th Sunday after Trinity.

10.30 am sung Eucharist (Common Worship)
led by Revd. Clive Leach, Principal of
Walkwood Middle School

Hymns: 62 Blessed assurance
106 Dear Lord and Father of mankind
490 The Lord's my shepherd
235 I, the Lord of sea and sky

Services for W/C 12th August

There will be no weekday services during the school holiday period.

Sunday 19th August 9.00 am said Eucharist
(Common Worship) with Father Barry Jones.
There will be no Evensong that day.

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, Liz, Janie and Stewart Kirby, Frank Deakin, Nesta Pearman and their families.

We pray for the soul of Kate Vicos recently departed. We pray also for her husband Dominic, their two children and Kate's parents.

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

Churches Together in Redditch (CTiR): The new CTiR initiative is for all Redditch churches to pray for one of its member churches in turn each month. This August it is the turn of **St Andrews Methodist Church, Church Hill**. We celebrate with them the successful Open Book dramatized bible stories initiative in 2 local schools. We pray for their summer holidays project providing a hot lunch once a week for those normally in receipt of free school meals; and that the church can find ways to build on its work with young people. We pray that those of its small congregation who are currently unwell recover soon – and that its current spate of vandalism stops!

Ann Heath wishes to say that she is feeling better and will have had her penultimate round of chemo on August 8th. Ann is very grateful for everyone's prayers, kind thoughts and good wishes.

Forthcoming Events: The first of the autumn events is the '**Fish & Chip Supper Quiz**' in the hall at 7.30 pm on Saturday 22nd September. Tickets priced just £7 pp can be obtained from Irene. *Get your friends and relatives involved in teams of up to 6 people.*

Further events:

Saturday/Sunday 13th/14th October, Art and Craft Weekend in church and the hall.

Saturday 24th November, Christmas Fayre in church and the hall.

Saturday 8th December, Alcester Male Voice Choir concert in church.



Father Glenn writes
“S. Matthias and S. George, Astwood Bank will be launching a new worship

service on Saturday 8th September at 4pm. The aim is to hold such a service once a month. This service will be called '**Messy Church**' and will be part of a national initiative started by The Church of England. Do have a look at the link below and get a feel for what the service is about at <https://www.messychurch.org.uk/>
A number of different roles will be needed to help make it a success, including helping in the kitchen to prepare a simply meal of jacket potatoes and fillings, through to helping with a craft activity.

Ideally it would be good to have 5 volunteers on the day to help. If you would like to help then please do let me know and that will help with planning. Could I also ask you to hold this initiative in your prayers as we venture forward into a new field for us?

I will send a more detailed plan of the service once I return from holiday, but there will be nothing too onerous for anyone and I will be there to lead it.

There are two books in circulation at the moment on this type of church, very short and very easy to read. See Irene and Ann R for access to copies.”

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
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