

Welcome to St Matthias & St George Parish Church.
A member of "Christ the King" team ministry.
Week Commencing 2nd September 2018

Then Jesus said to them.... 'For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come.....All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.' Mark 7 21 -23

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**Today's Service for Sunday 2nd September,
14th Sunday after Trinity.**
9.00 am said Eucharist (Book of Common Prayer)
10.30 am Informal Family Service led by Irene.

Services for W/C 2nd September

Monday 3rd 12 noon Mid-day prayers
There will be no Tuesday Eucharist this week.
Saturday 8th 4.00pm 'Messy Church'
Sunday 9th 10.30 am sung Eucharist (Common
Worship) with Sunday Stars in the hall.

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 Clary Partridge recently departed. We hold in our prayers Mary his wife, and their two daughters Becky and Claire.

Best wishes to Ann Heath who had her last round of chemo last Wednesday, August 29th. Ann is very grateful for everyone's prayers, kind thoughts and good wishes – but asks "Please don't stop just yet!"

Cleaning the church: The **Summer Clean** of the church will be continuing this coming week. Please bring your own cleaning materials. A list of jobs needing doing will be found on the inside of the vestry or rear door. Obviously there is a lot to do so the more people who can help will mean that more of the tasks can be successfully undertaken. If you are able to help then keys to gain entry for the church can be collected from Irene 894179 or Pam Emery 892588 but please ring beforehand to ensure availability.

Reminders: Tickets for the Fish 'n Chip Supper Quiz on Saturday 22nd September, 7.30pm can be bought for £7 from Irene.

Home Visits: Anyone who wishes to have a home visit or receive home communion should contact Irene Hamilton on 894179

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



It's not too late to volunteer to help at the new 'Messy Church' initiative which starts this coming Saturday at 4pm. Please see Father Glenn if you can help. But above all hold this new approach to worship in your prayers since it is initiatives like this which will ensure whether our church survives in Astwood Bank for a new generation, or not.

Churches together in Redditch (CTiR): This month **St Peter's, Ipsley** is the church that all congregations in Redditch are praying for. We thank God for their thriving monthly lunch club and twice monthly coffee mornings which offer fellowship, sharing and mutual support. They ask God that their 4 year old ministry in 4 First Schools with Open the Book and the Prayer Room at Ipsley Middle School, manned by their volunteers will continue and grow. They also thank God that their involvement in the flourishing parish Messy Church project in Woodrow, and that this will continue to grow. The church asks for our prayers as it plans a further Open the Book (OtB) project in Ipsley Middle School, and that volunteer numbers can be sustained in all their OtB projects. Finally they ask for our prayers as St Peter's embarks on its first Healing Ministry service this month and that word will reach those who have need of healing.

Other CTiR initiatives: Please have a look at the **posters at the rear of the church** promoting:-
Men's Breakfast at the Kings Court Hotel, Saturday 22nd September, 7.45 for 8.00am £8.
'Beauty in Brokenness' – a day for women to explore, share and celebrate differing Christian traditions, Saturday 15th September 10.30am- 4pm, Bromsgrove Methodist church.
Joint Ministries Celebration: 6.00pm 23rd September at St Peter's Ipsley (**Including an opportunity to share thoughts on their Messy Church project**)

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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