



"Open to God, to each other, to our neighbours"

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Dear friends,

I hope this finds you all well, safe, and enjoying the good weather. This letter includes your 'Prayer Kit' of readings and reflections. As stated in my letter in May, this is the last mailing in this format you will receive. Of course I will be in touch to keep you informed with what's going on at St Oswald's. If you don't have email and wish to receive information from church, please let me know. Thanks for your support and understanding.

Jonathan and I will be on our annual leave late June to late July. We will be visiting my family in Brazil, my mother will be 89 years old this year, and we'll be celebrating 24 years of marriage. We have so much thank God for. It's important for all of us to intentionally take some time to celebrate the joys and blessings of our lives. We really all do have much for which we can be thankful, and much to celebrate. I am grateful to my retired colleagues who will be doing the Holy Communion on Sundays while we're away. Unfortunately there are not many clergy available, so there will be two Sundays without Communion at St Oswald's, please see the list below.

Thanks for your support and understanding.

I look forward to seeing you at St Oswald's.

Most merciful Father, we humbly thank you for all your gifts so freely bestowed upon us: for life and health and safety, for strength to work and leisure to rest, for all that is beautiful in creation and in human life; but above all we thank you for our spiritual mercies in Christ Jesus our Lord; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

In Christ, Rev. Anesia Cook

What's on

Warm Space in Church EVERY Friday from 10.30am – 1.00pm. Including Coffee and Soup and chance to chat and join in Chair-Aerobics, or Nature-Based Mindfulness classes. It's free and fun, a great opportunity to be with people.

PLEASE NOTE There is no Holy Communion on Thursdays from 22nd June till 27th July

Services & Church Gardening in June

Thursday 1st June - Holy Communion at 10.00am Trinity Sunday 4th June - Holy Communion at 10.00am Thursday 8th June - Holy Communion at 10.00am - Festival of Saint Barnabas, Apostle and Holy Communion at Prior Bank at 3.00pm Thursday 15th June - Holy Communion at 10.00am Sat 17th June - Church Gardening 10.30am-12. Please help if you can; tools and drinks provided Father's Day - Sunday 18th June - Holy Communion at 10.00am and Reflective Space at 7.00pm (in church) *Please note: there is no Holy Communion at* 10.00am - Festival of Saint Peter - Patronal Festival *Please note: there is no Holy Communion on Thursday 29th June*

Services & Church Gardening in July

Sunday 2nd July – Morning Prayer at 10.00am *Please note: there is no Holy Communion on Thursday 6th July* Sunday 9th July - Holy Communion at 10.00am *Please note: there is no Holy Communion on Thursday 13th July* Sat 15th July - Church Gardening 10.30am-12. Please help if you can; tools and drinks provided Sunday 16th July - Holy Communion at 10.00am *Please note: there is no Holy Communion on Thursday 20th July* Sunday 23th July - Morning Prayer at 10.00am Also Holy Communion at St Augustine's, Brocco Bank at 10.30am *Please note: there is no Holy Communion on Thursday 27th July* (Thursday Communion will resume on Thursday 3rd August at 10am)

Thinking ahead

On Saturday 2nd September is our pilgrimage to Southwell Minster and Cathedral in Nottinghamshire. I hope many of you will be able to come. There will be time to do a tour of the Minster, to pray together, to be quiet, to enjoy the beautiful gardens and to eat together. If you are interested in going, please let me know on 0114 2509716. Thanks

Home Groups: The church's two homegroups are going well, and we are hoping to start a third one soon. Homegroups are a group of church members who meet regularly to share life, to study the Bible, and grow in faith together. If you might be interested in this, or would like to know more about it, please let me know (phone number and email on top of this letter), or speak to Mike Black in church or on tel. no. 0114 266 5485.