Notices

Fire escape

In case there is a need to evacuate church, please make yourself familiar with the fire exit routes before the service starts.

Compline

Compline on Wednesday 3rd September 2025 at 9.30pm. The Zoom details for which are Meeting ID: 848 0981 2495

Passcode: 464983

Quiet Morning – 13th September

Please make note of the information on the flyer below, letting Fr Alex know if you would like to attend or have any questions.

Dates for your diary

Harvest supper at St Michael & All Angels church on Saturday 4th October. Christmas Fayre at St Michael & All Angels church on Saturday 22nd November.

MacMillan Coffee Morning - Sat 27th September 11.00am

If you can offer any help and/or cakes, please let Jane know.

Saturday lunch club - Saturday 11th October

There won't be a lunch club in September because of the oversight area quiet morning. The next lunch club will be in October.

Rota

If you normally help administer the chalice there is a copy of the service rota through until November in the Narthex. Please take a copy.

Prayer list

Our prayer list has been refreshed. If you would like anyone to be included on the new list, please let either Jane, Faith or Fr Alex know.

Creationtide 2025

The church annually sets aside a period of time which is dedicated to God as Creator and Sustainer of all life. This year Creationtide runs from the 1st September until the 4th October. There is a simple prayer activity available at the back of church to help us enter more fully into this important season. Please take one, stick it on your fridge ticking off the prayers as you complete them.

Hymn books

Do you have a view about the quality of the hymn book that we use? If you do, would you be interested in being part of a small group that will meet twice (at a time that works for the group) to look at the options available in other hymn books? The group will then make a recommendation to the PCC regarding replacement of our current hymn books or sticking with them. Any questions or for further information please speak to Fr Alex.

Advent course

More details in due course but make a note of the dates of an Advent course exploring the theology/doctrine in some popular advent hymns. Each Monday starting on the 24th November and finishing on the 22nd December 10.30am (for around 75 minutes) at St Michael & All Angels church.

Harvest Festival

We will be celebrating Harvest Festival on Sunday 5th October and will be taking a collection of dried food products offered during the service to support the work of Birmingham City Mission's food bank.

Thank you

Father Wayne writes......



Dear my Sisters and Brothers,

Thank you very much for this gift. It is constant reminder that prayer is the core of my ministry and thank you for reminding me that I cant do anything without being in daily communication with the God who loves and sustains me. My prayers are always with you.

Prayers across our churches

Saint Benedict's church

Thank you, Lord, for all who contribute towards the turning of your church in Bordesley. Empower and strengthen us by your Spirit that we may find ways of using the gifts that you have blessed each of us with for the dawning of your Kingdom.

Saint Cyprian's church

Thank you, Lord, for all who have formed the PCC over the years, for the work that they undertook and the prayers that they offered. Continue to open the hearts of us all so that we may discern your will for us as your body in Hay Mill.

Saint Michael & All Angels church

Thank you, Lord, for the renovation work that has been undertaken on the hall floor. For the skill and care that Simon and Matt took in undertaking the repairs and for the blessing of the resources that we have to cover its cost.

Saint Mary's church

Help all who are returning to work, school colleges and universities, especially for those who may be taking a further step in their life story. Give them confidence and protection wherever life may lead them.

Through all the changing scenes of life

Through all the changing scenes of life, In trouble and in joy,
The praises of my God shall still
My heart and tongue employ.

Oh, magnify the Lord with me,
With me exalt His name;
When in distress to Him I called,
He to my rescue came.

3
The hosts of God encamp around
The dwellings of the just;
Deliverance He affords to all
Who on His succour trust.

4
Oh, make but trial of His love,
Experience will decide
How blest they are, and only they,
Who in His truth confide.

5
Fear Him, ye saints, and you will then
Have nothing else to fear;
Make you His service your delight,
Your wants shall be His care.

Take this moment, sign and space

- 1.Take this moment, sign and space; Take my friends around; Here among us make the place Where your love is found.
- 2. Take the time to call my name, Take the time to mend Who I am and what I've been, All I've failed to tend.
- 3. Take the tiredness of my days, Take my past regret, Letting your forgiveness touch All I can't forget
- 4. Take the little child in me Scared of growing old; Help me here to find my worth Made in God's own mould.
- 5. Take my talents, take my skills, Take what's yet to be; Let my life be yours, and yet Let it still be me.

Great is Thy faithfulness

1

"Great is Thy faithfulness," O God my Father, There is no shadow of turning with Thee; Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

"Great is Thy faithfulness!" "Great is Thy faithfulness!"
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided—
"Great is Thy faithfulness," Lord, unto me!

2

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest, Sun, moon and stars in their courses above, Join with all nature in manifold witness To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

3

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide; Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

How sweet the name of Jesus sounds

1

How sweet the Name of Jesus sounds In a believer's ear! It soothes his sorrow, heals his wounds, And drives away his fear.

2

It makes the wounded spirit whole, And calms the troubled breast; 'Tis manna to the hungry soul, And to the weary rest.

3

Dear Name! the Rock on which we build; Our shield and hiding-place; Our never-failing treasury, filled With boundless stores of grace.

4

Jesus, our Savior, Shepherd, Friend, Our Prophet, Priest, and King; Our Lord, our Life, our Way, our End, Accept the praise we bring.

5

Weak is the effort of our heart,
And cold our warmest thought;
But when we see Thee as Thou art,
We'll praise Thee as we ought.

6

Till then we would Thy love proclaim
With every fleeting breath;
And triumph in that blessed Name
Which quells the pow'r of death.

Your hand, O God, has guided

- 1 Your hand, O God, has guided your flock from age to age; your faithfulness is written on history's open page.
 Our fathers owned your goodness, and we their deeds record; and both to this bear witness: one church, one faith, one Lord!
- 2 Your heralds brought the gospel to greatest and the least; they summoned men and women to share the great King's feast. And this was all their teaching in ev'ry deed and word, to all alike proclaiming: one church, one faith, one Lord!
- 3 Through many a day of darkness, through many a scene of strife, the faithful few fought bravely to guard the nation's life.
 Their gospel of redemption, sin pardoned, man restored, was all in this enfolded: one Church, one Faith, one Lord.
- 4 Your mercy will not fail us nor leave your work undone; with your right hand to help us the vict'ry shall be won.
 And then by earth and heaven your name shall be adored; and this shall be our anthem: one church, one faith, one Lord!

Source: Trinity Psalter Hymnal #416

Join Us!

St Paul's Church, Bordesley Green, Thursdays 7-9pm from October 2nd.



Today growing numbers of Muslims are choosing to follow Jesus Christ. We need to understand their needs, care for them and help them grow in Christ, and we want to learn from them.

How to be family for Christ's followers of Muslim background

Joining the Family is a discussion course on how we can be family for Christ's followers of Muslim background.

Whether your church community already welcomes believers from a Muslim background or is praying towards such a day, this course is designed to help us learn how to understand the issues that believers of Muslim background face and be equipped to build strong friendships and grow in Christ together.

- Six sessions October 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, November 6th, and 13th, 7-9pm
- Video clips and testimonies with extra reading suggestions
- Time to reflect and pray for your own friends, church, and community

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Register interest with Matt or Andrea Vaughan
andreajvaughan@gmail.com or mattjvaughan@gmail.com

Feel free to invite others along, but due to the nature of the course, please do not share in public spaces.