

Notices

Safeguarding

The Parish operates in accordance with the House of Bishops guidance and policies and have our own Parish Safeguarding Officer who is **Mrs Jane Clark**. See the front of the Mass sheet for her contact email address. Alternatively, the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on **0121 426 0407** or email StephH@cofebirmingham.com if you have any concerns.

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 will return again on the 14th January 2026.

Saturday lunch club – Saturday 10th January 2026

Please make a note of the date of the next lunch club in the New Year and come along to support it.

Christmas flowers

Thank you to everyone who donated so generously towards the Christmas flowers and to Lesley and Steve for putting the fabulous displays together.

Week of prayer for Christian Unity – 18th to 25th January

You can join in with the following services on Zoom during the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The Zoom link will remain the same for each service and is

Meeting ID: 865 9848 2706

Passcode: 481805

18-25th January Week of Prayer for Christian Unity			
18th January	Sunday		
19th January	Monday	Ev Prayer	5pm
20th January	Tuesday	Ev Prayer	5pm
21st January	Wednesday	Compline	9.30pm
22nd January	Thursday	Ev Prayer	5pm
23rd January	Friday	Mn Prayer	9am
24th January	Saturday	Ev Prayer	5pm
25th January	Sunday		

Knit and natter

Knit and natter has broken up for Christmas, and the next session will be on the 7th January 2026.

Thank you

Thank you for your warm Christmas wishes, cards and presents, it is much appreciated.
Fr Alex.

Jumble sale @ St Benedict's

St Benedict's are planning a jumble sale in March. If you have any jumble at home please let Fr Alex have it.

Prayers across our churches

Saint Cyprian's church

May those who are worried about the permanence of their accommodation in Hay Mill know of the closeness of your protection Lord. May your early life as a refugee inspire and reassure us all that whatever may befall us in this life, you have already trodden that path.

Saint Michael & All Angels church

Thank you, generous Lord for the Keeble College funding, help us to spend this wisely, maximising the impact that it should have for your people in South Yardley.

St Benedict's church

Inspire our thinking and focus our planning around our first Jumble Sale in such a long time, Lord. Help us to know what to do, particularly around getting those who we serve in Bordesley into church.

Saint Mary's church

As we start a new calendar year, may we always be looking to you for guidance. Walking in the way, may it lead us to you and all that you represent in our future and help us to learn from our past.

Come and join the celebration

*Come and join the celebration,
it's a very special day;
come and share our jubilation,
there's a new King born today!*

1 See the shepherds
hurry down to Bethlehem,
gaze in wonder
at the Son of God who lay before them.
Come and join...

2 Wise men journey,
led to worship by a star,
kneel in homage,
bringing precious gifts from lands afar, so
Come and join...

3 'God is with us,'
'round the world the message bring;
He is with us,
'Welcome!' all the bells on earth are peeling.
Come and join...
(Repeat last verse & chorus)

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun

1

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
Doth his successive journeys run;
His Kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

2

To Him shall endless prayer be made.
And princes' throng to crown His head,
His name like sweet perfume shall rise
With every morning sacrifice.

3

People and realms of every tongue
Dwell on His love with sweetest song;
And infant voices shall proclaim
Their early blessings on His name.

4

Blessings abound where'er He reigns:
The prisoner leaps to lose his chains,
The weary find eternal rest,
And all the sons of want are blest.

5

Where He displays His healing power
Death and the curse are known no more;
In Him the tribes of Adam boast
More blessings than their father lost.

6

Let every creature rise and bring
Peculiar honours to our King;
Angels descend with songs again,
And earth repeat the loud Amen.

Angels from the realms of glory

1 Angels from the realms of glory,
wing your flight through all the earth;
heralds of creation's story
now proclaim Messiah's birth!
Come and worship
Christ, the new-born king;
come and worship,
worship Christ the new-born king.

2 Shepherds in the fields abiding,
watching by your flocks at night,
God with us is now residing:
see, there shines the infant light!
Come and worship
Christ, the new-born king;
come and worship,
worship Christ the new-born king.

3 Wise men, leave your contemplations!
brighter visions shine afar;
seek in him the hope of nations,
you have seen his rising star:
Come and worship
Christ, the new-born king;
come and worship,
worship Christ the new-born king.

4 Though an infant now we view him,
he will share his Father's throne,
gather all the nations to him;
every knee shall then bow down:
Come and worship
Christ, the new-born king;
come and worship,
worship Christ the new-born king.

Jubilate Hymns version of Angels from the realms of glory, James Montgomery (1771 - 1854)

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Angel voices ever singing

Angel voices ever singing
round thy throne of light,
angel-harps for ever ringing,
rest not day nor night;
thousands only live to bless thee
and confess thee
Lord of might.

Thou who art beyond the farthest
mortal eye can scan,
can it be that thou regardest
songs of sinful man?
can we know that thou art near us,
and wilt hear us?
yea, we can.

Yea, we know that thou rejoicest
o'er each work of thine;
thou didst ears and hands and voices
for thy praise design;
craftsman's art and music's measure
for thy pleasure
all combine.

In thy house, great God, we offer
of thine own to thee;
and for thine acceptance proffer
all unworthily
hearts and minds and hands and voices
in our choicest
psalmody.

Honour, glory, might, and merit
thine shall ever be,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
blessed Trinity.
Of the best that thou hast given
earth and heaven
render thee.