

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

There is a service of Compline this coming Wednesday the 29th July 2026 @ 9.30pm on Zoom. The Zoom details are - Meeting ID: 848 0981 2495 Passcode: 464983

Saturday lunch club

Make a note in your diary that the next lunch will be on Saturday 9th August at 12pm.

Cream tea raffles prizes

Thank you to everyone who dug out and contributed a stonking prize to the Cream Tea raffle, your generosity is much appreciated.

Food bank donations

Birmingham City Mission we're extremely thankful for our food bank donations this week. Thank you for all your generosity as we were able to take seven bags of items to support their work.

Prayers across our churches

Saint Benedict's church

Thank you, Lord, for the developing community links. We pray for your peace to be known in and through all the work that Cygnets Cedars assisted living.

Saint Cyprian's church

Help us Lord to settle quickly into a new worshipping life within the Memorial Hall, knowing that you are with us.

Saint Michael & All Angels church

Open to us we pray, a way of refurbishing the kitchen this summer.

Saint Mary's church

Thank you for all that has been provided for us, give us time to enjoy your world and help all to protect it in every way we can.

It is a thing most wonderful

1 It is a thing most wonderful
almost too wonderful to be
that God's own Son should come from heaven
and die to save a child like me.

2 And yet I know that it is true:
he came to this poor world below,
and wept and toiled, and mourned and died,
only because he loved us so.

3 I cannot tell how he could love
a child so weak and full of sin;
his love must be most wonderful
if he could die my love to win.

4 I sometimes think about the cross,
and shut my eyes, and try to see
the cruel nails, and crown of thorns,
and Jesus crucified for me.

5 But, even could I see him die,
I could but see a little part
of that great love which, like a fire,
is always burning in his heart.

6 How wonderful it is to see
my love for him so faint and poor,
but yet more wonderful to know
his love for me so free and sure.

7 And yet I want to love you, Lord:
O teach me how to grow in grace,
that I may love you more and more
until I see you face to face.

Jubilate Hymns version of 'It is a thing most wonderful', William Walsham How (1823 - 1897)

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LM

O Lord of heaven and earth and sea

1 O Lord of heav'n and earth and sea,
To thee all praise and glory be!
How shall we show our love to thee,
Who givest all?
We'll sing thy praise in songs of holy joy!
Thy work, O Lord, shall all our pow'rs employ!

Chorus:

*Souls redeemed and sins forgiv'n,
For means of grace and hopes of heav'n,
Thou didst not spare thine only Son,
But freely gave that blessed One
To save us all.*

2 For peaceful hours and happy days,
For all the blessings earth displays,
We owe thee thankfulness and praise,
Who givest all!
We'll sing thy praise in songs of holy joy!
Thy work, O Lord, shall all our pow'rs employ! [Chorus]

3 Whatever, Lord, we lend to thee,
Repaid a thousand fold shall be;
Then gladly will we give to thee,
Who givest all!
We'll sing thy praise in songs of holy joy!
Thy work, O Lord, shall all our pow'rs employ! [Chorus]

4 To thee from whom we all derive,
Our life, our gifts, our pow'r to give;
O may we ever with thee live,
Who givest all!
We'll sing thy praise in songs of holy joy!
Thy work, O Lord, shall all our pow'rs employ! [Chorus]

God is working His purpose out

1 God is working his purpose out,
as year succeeds to year:
God is working his purpose out,
and the time is drawing near:
nearer and nearer draws the time,
the time that shall surely be,
when the earth shall be filled
with the glory of God,
as the waters cover the sea.

2 From utmost east to utmost west,
wherever foot has trod,
by the mouth of many messengers
rings out the voice of God:
Listen to me you continents,
you islands look to me,
that the earth may be filled
with the glory of God,
as the waters cover the sea.

3 We shall march in the strength of God,
with the banner of Christ unfurled,
that the light of the glorious gospel of truth
may shine throughout the world;
we shall fight with sorrow and sin
to set their captives free,
that the earth may be filled
with the glory of God,
as the waters cover the sea.

4 All we can do is nothing worth
unless God blesses the deed;
vainly we hope for the harvest-tide
till God gives life to the seed:
nearer and nearer draws the time,
the time that shall surely be,
when the earth shall be filled
with the glory of God,
as the waters cover the sea.

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