



Parish of St. Mary's Swynnerton & St. James' Cotes Heath

**May 22<sup>nd</sup> 2022 (Easter 6)**

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**May 22<sup>nd</sup>: 11.00am Holy Communion at St. Mary's**



HeBrews coffee morning is back and customers are enjoying the chance to catch up with each other after so long apart. Ann and Eileen celebrated their birthdays recently so the occasions were marked with the

customary cake and candles. Ann also shared cakes with friends in church and writes:

*'Thank you to everyone for their gifts, cards and special wishes for my 80<sup>th</sup> birthday. Sharing it with my Christian family made it very special. My love and blessings to you all'. Philippians 11:3  
"I give thanks every time I think of you".*



#### **CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 15TH -21ST MAY 2022**

As well as their regular work in the developing world, the Christian Aid charity is also heavily involved in supporting Ukrainians at this time. You can donate via an envelope in church this Sunday, or through the Stone Christian Aid Group at <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/christian-aid-group-stone>





We send best wishes to Patricia Carwardine, who has moved to a new home in Stafford. A church neighbour for many years, Patricia was a member of HeBrews and will be missed by all the regulars. Many of St. Mary's congregation have appreciated the refreshments provided after the service with Patricia behind the serving counter and churchyard clearing won't be the same without her encouragement!

- A Tranquility Garden, an Angel Trail, a Baby Bank and a virtual walk to Bethlehem – just some of the projects undertaken by the winners of Ecclesiastical's "Good News" competition. The company that provides insurance to our church has published details of what parishes achieved during lockdown and beyond. For an inspiring read about what churches can do for their local communities, go to:

[Church Good News Competition](#) | [Church \(ecclesiastical.com\)](#)

- The funeral of Barbara Reader will take place at St. Luke's on Thursday 26th May at 11.30am followed by a burial in the churchyard. The service will be led by Revd. Noreen Russell and Revd. Barry Brewer.
- Thursday May 26<sup>th</sup> ASCENSION DAY Deanery Service at St. John the Baptist church, Barlaston, 7.30pm. (Preacher Revd. Preb. Terry Bloor).
- Places of worship come in all shapes and sizes: Nesta and Gwyn Williams discovered the thatched church of St Agnes, in Freshwater, when they were staying on the Isle of Wight. "It was beautiful and very peaceful there in its simplicity" said Nesta.



#### Collect for Easter 6

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy;

through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Reading: Acts 16:9-15

#### Pray for each other" James 5 v16

We continue to pray for the Goacher family, the Green family, Lynne Williams, Martyn and Carol Turner, Kay Bickerton and Pat Lawrence, Geoff Thompstone, Helen Ladell, Yvonne Pynenburg, Rev. Roger Vaughan, Fr. Paul Chavasse, Elaine Dulson, Margaret McKnight, June Steed, Richard Wenger, Tom and Barbara Ewart, Geoff and Linda Foster, Ann Ramsey's daughter-in-law, Carol, Margaret and David Farr, Doreen Green at Oulton Abbey and Heather Eyre at Autumn House.