



# The Parish of Moseley

## St Mary's & St Anne's



### Parish of Moseley - Remembrance Sunday

#### Our Services for Sunday 10th November - Remembrance Sunday

- 8.00am - Holy Communion at St Mary's
- 10.00am - Sung Eucharist with Act of Remembrance at St Mary's (the service will not be livestreamed this week)
- 10.45am - Sung Eucharist with Act of Remembrance at St Anne's
- 6.30pm - A Service of Music and Readings for Remembrance Sunday at St. Mary's

Please note that the service at St Anne's starts at the earlier time of 10.45am.

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**Morning readings for Remembrance Sunday:** Romans 8:31-end

#### Thought for the Day by Kevin Edwards

At this time of year we are mindful of our memory of people who have lost their lives in battle, particularly during the two World Wars. At the end of each war there is always the need to clear up the many scenes of destruction that remain in all affected countries. To endure this is a long process of rebuilding and regenerating each country, housing, industry and essential services. After World

War 2 those of us who are old enough can remember what our parents had to live through, and also hearing about members of our own families, either lost or seriously injured in the process.

Today, most young people can only hear stories from their grandparents, sometimes where none who remember the last war are still alive. It can seem comparable to floating on a boat that has never sunk, believing that it never will. However, there are times when we all need to reflect on such historic tragedies, particularly when our loved ones pass away from us. Will our 'boats' today ever sink, or can we keep them afloat or might troubled waters lie ahead of us? In reality, no matter how hard we try, there will always be unexpected tragedies to live with. So, as we try to enjoy our lives, as we should, there will always be dangers to face, even possible future wars that could affect us directly.

Looking at the Bible, we can see that Nineveh was saved but why was it at risk of destruction? Today, such dangers still exist, perhaps in different ways, but decadence can creep upon us slowly and go unnoticed. Why is this important to mention today? Well, life still has many temptations to draw us away from our ideal path in life, where addiction, depression and poor health, even premature death can occur, even as wars might seem far away, but are they? If we know the answers, why do people still allow themselves to drift towards harmful outcomes? When in doubt, the Ten Commandments, Beatitudes and the 'New Commandment', to love one another as He has loved us can be most helpful as a guide. Most of all we Christians can call upon the Lord in prayer to help us, especially when most in need.

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## Future Services

### Sunday 17th November - Second Sunday before Advent

- 8.00 am - Holy Communion at St Mary's (BCP)
- 10.00am - Intergenerational Service at St Mary's (the service will not be livestreamed this week)
- 11.00am - Sung Eucharist at St Anne's
- 6.30pm - Evensong at St Mary's

**Evensong** is a traditional service where some of the liturgy is sung. The service is from the Book of Common Prayer (1662) with psalms, canticles, hymns, prayers, readings and a reflection.

### Sunday 24th November - Christ the King

- 8.00 am - Holy Communion at St Mary's
- 8.30am - Breakfast Church at St Anne's
- 10.00am - Sung Eucharist at St Mary's
- 6.30pm - Service of Wholeness and Healing at St Mary's

**Breakfast Church** is different. With a strong emphasis on community, fun and food, it's a chance to meet people, and engage with God in a fresh and accessible way, with breakfast included. It happens early in the day to accommodate busy families with multiple commitments.

Our service of **Wholeness and Healing** is a quiet service of readings, music, prayer and reflection, with a focus on wholeness and healing. You do not have to be unwell to come, and you will not need to share anything personal. There is an invitation to receive the laying on of hands with prayer; this may be for ourselves, for others, for a situation on our minds, or for the world. There is also the

opportunity to be anointed with oil. Both are optional; you are simply invited to come as you are, bringing and sharing your burdens with God who knows us deeply.

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## Our Regular Worship

- Details of our regular pattern of worship can be found on the Services page of our website [here](#).
  - Details of how the pattern relates to Children's Worship can be found on the Children and Youth page of our website [here](#).
  - Details of specific services can continue to be found in the Calendar.
  - Morning Prayer is at 9.10am in the Lady Chapel at St Mary's on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday and at 9.10am in St Anne's on Tuesday. Please note the time of Morning Prayer is currently being reviewed. **Please note there is no Morning Prayer on Wednesday 13th November.**
  - The Thursday Midweek Communion service is at 12.15pm in the Lady Chapel at St Mary's.
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## Notices

### Moseley Parish is in search of a new Treasurer!

Do you have financial or book keeping skills and could help the parish manage it's funding streams? We are currently looking for someone to help specifically with the bookkeeping and financial forecasting for St Mary's Church. If so, we really need your help from January 2025. The Treasurer would be part of a finance team along with others who currently help with the management of church properties, Gift Aid reclaiming and St Anne's finances. If you think you might be able to help with skills and time or know of someone who could, please contact Revd Ange [here](#).

### Reverence - Magdalen Smith

If you have not already collected or paid for a copy of Magdalen's book please arrange to drop cash off at the office or pay her by BACS and arrange to pick up a copy. You can also contact her on [assocvicar@moseleychurch.org.uk](mailto:assocvicar@moseleychurch.org.uk).

### Parish Lunch - Sunday 17th November

On Sunday 17th November, there will be a Parish Lunch at St Mary's Church, starting at 12.30pm. There is a suggested minimum donation of £5. Please sign up using the sheets on the welcome desks.

### Funeral of Mike Midgley

The funeral of Mike Midgley will take place at 2.30pm on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November, at Robin Hood Crematorium.

### Advent Discipleship

In Advent we will be commencing a Bible Study Group and looking at Paula Gooder's creative and accessible book, Women of the Nativity. The book tells the story of 9 well-known and less well-known biblical women and has some simple questions for reflection at the end of each chapter. You do not need to buy the book as resources will be provided but if you want to the link is [here](#). Dates will be 27th November (West Room), 11th November (venue to be confirmed) and 18th November (West Room at St Mary's), 7.30-9.00pm.

### **Advent Quiet Morning**

There will be a Quiet Morning to think about the themes of the season at St Anne's Church on Saturday 14th December.

### **Fantastic Fashion Show**

Saturday 23rd November 2024 at 2pm, St Anne's Church. Presented by SOS Charity Fashion Shows with the opportunity to buy High Street brands at up to 75% off, plus French and Italian designer wear; women's sizes 6 to 30! Raffle and cake stall. Tickets £10.00 per person (under 16s free) including a drink and biscuits. [Click here](#) to book.

### **School Admissions 2025**

If you are applying for a place for your child for September 2025 at Moseley C of E Primary School and require confirmation of church attendance, please contact the Church Office on 0121 449 2243 or [office@moseleychurch.org.uk](mailto:office@moseleychurch.org.uk) to book an appointment at our remaining signing session which will take place on Saturday 16th November 10.30am -12.00pm, in St Mary's Church. Coffee and tea will be available.

On the day of your appointment, please bring your completed school 'additional information for admissions form' (available on the school website) for Revd Angela or Revd Magdalen to sign.

Please note, it is not our practice to sign forms on a Sunday before or after church services when the priority of our clergy is worship and pastoral care of the congregation.

### **Visit to Lichfield Cathedral for the Christmas Tree festival - Saturday 7th December**

We aim to travel by train, go to the cathedral then you will be free to explore Lichfield for the rest of the day and return by train in the afternoon. If you are interested, please contact the office or sign up on the sheet which will be available shortly in church. More details to follow.

### **Blue Christmas: 2.30pm Sunday 8th December 2024, Lady Chapel, St Mary's Church**

A quiet and pastoral space to hold a short service for those mourning and remembering loved ones who have died, or for those who do not find the festive season easy.

The service will last about 40 minutes followed by hot drinks, mince pies and conversation in the West Room. All are welcome to come, regardless of faith.

### **Christmas Fair - Saturday 30th November, 10.00am-2.00pm**

It's that time of the year again and we need your help. We are looking for items for stalls and help on the day. With half term coming this might be an opportunity to sort and donate any items you no longer need. We are looking for good quality bric-a-brac, toys, books, raffle and tombola prizes.

If you are able to help in any way, even if only for a couple of hours please contact the office at [office@moseleychurch.org.uk](mailto:office@moseleychurch.org.uk) or 0121 449 2243. Thank you in advance.

### **Christmas Day Together**

All being well, we hope that this year's event will be back in St Anne's Hall, on Park Hill. Last year all the people who helped out had a really good time, so we hope that some of you will want to make volunteering part of your Christmas activities. We will need help beforehand, preparing food and setting up the hall, on Christmas Day itself we will need people to serve meals and drinks, wash up

and chat to guests. We also need volunteer drivers to pick up and /or take guests home again. The event will run from 12.00 until 3.00 pm. Volunteers can also have a Christmas meal if they would like to. Please let the office know if you would like to be a volunteer, there will also be a list in both churches from late November. Any queries contact Bridget on 07816 828439. We look forward to hearing from you. Bridget & James Langstaff.

### **Moseley at the Movies**

On every first Wednesday of the month, there is Moseley at the Movies, a group which meets to watch a film together and discuss it afterwards.

Come along to St Mary's West Room at 7:15pm for a 7:30pm start! (Unless otherwise stated). The next showing is on 4th December.

### **January 2025: Way of Discipleship Online – “Becoming like Christ”**

“Becoming like Christ” is a 6 week course on Zoom covering:

- Who Jesus is and what He came to do through His life, death, resurrection and ascension.
- How we change and the kind of practices that grow Christlike self-giving love in us.
- How God sees and uses the difficult times in our lives.

Monday evenings, 7pm – 9.15pm, January 13<sup>th</sup>/20<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup> and February 3<sup>rd</sup>/10<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup>.

Contact [guydc@cofebirmingham.com](mailto:guydc@cofebirmingham.com) to book.

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## **This week in the Parish**

### **We continue to pray for:**

Cathie Carey and Stella Fernley, Tony Sheppard, Mike Carter, Ruth Carter, Jon Terry, Rachel McLeod, Sheila Perks, Laurie Flood, Elisabeth Leicester, Lincoln Hoeschen, Phil and Trish Burt, Geraldine and Gerald Cartin, and Malcolm McDonald.

**Souls of the Departed:** Nan Collins, Peter Millns, Mike Midgley and Anne Winstone.

### **The Parish also prays and gives thanks for:**

- Our three candidates who are preparing to be confirmed at Birmingham cathedral on November 24th - Sophie Kinning, Lauren Townend and Pranati Vadlamudi (from St Mary and St Ambrose Parish).
- Members of our congregation involved in community groups such as Moseley Forum and the Community Development Trust.

Church of England Birmingham Praying Together: The November edition is [here](#).

Inclusive Church Newsletter: The October edition is [here](#).

**We celebrate the Birthdays of:** Jonathan Rogers, Harriet Smyth, Steve Rhodes, Rowan Tearoe, Toby Middup, Evie Sheehan and Alfie Croft.