



St Mary's Church Newsletter

18th August 2019

9th Sunday After Trinity

- Refreshments including tea and coffee will be available at the end of the service.
- Gluten free wafers are available for communion. Please ask a steward or member of the clergy.
- An induction loop is available for those who are hard of hearing. Please turn your hearing aid to the 'T' setting.
- Toilets, including disabled and nappy changing facilities are situated at the far end of the church. Follow signs past reception and the main hall.

DUCHESS ROAD EVENT

Wednesday 21st August 4-7pm

CAKE REQUEST - This Wednesday is the Summer Extravaganza at Duchess Road - we are hosting the tea tent from 4-6pm. Please could you bake a cake or buns etc - and either come with them at 4pm or drop them off earlier at St Mary's or arrange with Karen for them to be collected? We had a great range for Lazy Sunday - it would be great to do the same again. And if you can come anytime between 4-6pm to be part of the "hosting" team please let Karen know. Thank You.

Duchess Road Community Event: Summer Extravaganza @ Duchess Road: Join in with the local community as we celebrate summer with lots of fun activities. Bouncy Castle, donkey rides and a community BBQ...all activities free small charge for food. Fun activities for everyone!

CONGRATULATIONS

...to all our A level students who have all done really well in their exams and will be going to the universities of their choice - well done Benita, Jack, Reuben and Thomas.

MESSY CHURCH DATES

20th Sept; 18th Oct; 15th Nov; 13th Dec

HELP WITH QUESTIONNAIRE?

A message from Dr Sanjee Perera-Child, Research Fellow in Philosophy, Theology & Religion at University of Birmingham...

The Edward Cadbury Centre for the Public

WELCOME TO ST MARYS

10.30am All Age Holy Communion

Lead, Celebrate..... Revd. Karen Cribb
Preach..... Revd. Claire Dawson
Reader..... Elaine C
Intercessions..... Michelle W
Drinks..... Maureen F
Stewards..... John & Margaret I
Music..... Steve, Jess, David,
..... Nate

COLLECT FOR TODAY

*Gracious Father,
revive your Church in our day,
and make her holy, strong and faithful,
for your glory's sake
in Jesus Christ our Lord.*

THIS WEEK AT ST MARYS

Monday

10.00- 11.30am Open cafe space continues to run over the summer (except Bank Holiday Monday 26th August) - come and enjoy coffee, cake and good company. Everyone welcome.

Understanding of Religion, at the Philosophy, Theology & Religion dept. at Birmingham University, is conducting a research study commissioned by the Church of England on how we can better support Minority Ethnic Christians in the C of E. We hope to be able to achieve a nuanced understanding of what it means to belong and to participate in Christian fellowship, within and beyond the C of E.



I was hoping you might participate in our research questionnaire yourself, and share it with your colleagues. We are hoping to have a significant sample from all 42 C of E dioceses in the country, as well as from the Roman Catholic, Methodist, Baptist, Episcopal, Pentecostal, Presbyterian/Church of Scotland, Church in Wales & Church of Ireland. Therefore, you do not have to be either minority ethnic, or even a part of the C of E, to participate in the study. ...We need control samples to understand a nuanced picture, so participants need only be...

1. Over 18 yrs. of age
 2. Live in the UK
 3. And self-identify as a Christian
- ... to participate.

You can participate by clicking on this link.

https://birminghamcoaal.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9oTtoaJ8I9MjbJX

Best wishes

Sanjee

Editors top tip: use the online version of this newsletter on our website and click on the link above.

Radical Welcome

a four-session programme created by *Inclusive Church* to help churches and congregations look at what it might mean to go beyond being inclusive – to be radically welcoming

Session 1, *The Washing Line*, Tuesday 3rd September, 7.30 pm at St Andrew's Psalter Lane Church S11 8YL

led by Ruth Wilde, *Inclusive Church* National Coordinator

All members of Central Mission Partnership, Highfield Trinity Methodist Church & Nether Edge Quaker Meeting welcome

For further details contact Revd Gareth Jones, garethjones11@gmail.com or 0114 250 8251

N EXT SUNDAY ST MARYS

10.30 All Age Holy Communion

People with jobs to do: Karen (lead, celebrate, preach); Maureen F(intercessions); Margaret & John I (drinks); Barbara (steward).

...find out more...talk to someone...send some news...

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