

INTERCESSIONS

Please remember in your prayers...

The World Church:

The Diocese of Lulea in Sweden and Bishop Hans Stiglund. Also the Lusitanian Church in Portugal and Bishop Jose De Pina Cabral

Churches Together:

Riverside Christian Fellowship

Bishop John:

Please pray for all those involved in the Dudley Interfaith Forum and for those involved in organising events for Interfaith Week

Please pray for:

Elizabeth Hettie Clough who is being baptised here today. Pray for her family and Godparents who will support her. Robert Jones as he is installed as the new Archdeacon of Worcester today. For those involved in next Saturday's Deanery Meeting with Archdeacon Nikki as they reflect on the future and shape of ministry and mission in the Stourbridge Deanery.

Those living in:

Stanley Road and Bramber Way

Local Community:

The pupils and staff who work at Old Swinford Primary School

Among those who are ill:

Susan Haskew, Lesley Price, Anna Scudamore, William Bates, Rory Macintosh, Richard Tatler, Brian Norgrove, Marilyn Thomson, Cliff Day, Sally Taylor, Doreen Ryan, Brenda Cadwallader, David Jackson, Kathleen Rogers, Angela Dixon, Stan Williams, Tina Timms, Roberta Farman, and Michael Woodall.

We continue to pray for:

Sanchia Farman, Eleanor Hill, Lennon Southall, Vicky Croydon, Martin Aston, Jonathan Bryan, Audrey Cartwright, Ruth Hardy, Pauline Parsons, Ros Bickel, Noah Cantius, James Allport, and Callum Loveridge.

Those in Residential and Nursing Home care:

Sheila Westwood, Margaret Pole, June O'Brien, Roy Green and Ethel James.

The departed:

Colin Faulkner, Margaret Brannon

In memoriam:

Margaret Dunn (20.11.13)

May they know the peace and joy of God's Kingdom.

Please pray for families and friends of all who mourn the loss of loved ones.

Please inform the clergy as soon as possible if you know of any illness or particular need within the congregation.



St Mary's Church Old Swinford

Sunday 16th November 2014
Trinity 22— Second before Advent



A warm welcome to any visitors who are worshipping with us today.

Please join us for coffee in the Narthex after our 10.00am service.

If you would like to find out more information about any of the activities associated with church please speak to a warden or sides person or visit our website at: www.stmaryschurcholdswinford.org.uk

Our services today are as follows:

8.00am - Holy Communion

Collect, Epistle, Gospel P241

Sides: Meriel Harris

President: Revd Stephen Agnew

10.00am - Parish Communion

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Preacher: Revd Stephen Agnew

Reader: Ron Tranter

Intercessions: Peter Thomson

Sides: Stan and Avril Williams

Warden: Judy Hall

Anthem: I give to you a new commandment—*Nardone*

Voluntary: Fantasia in G—*Bach*

Children Together:

Pauline and Les

Collect for this week:

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

DIARY FOR THIS WEEK

Tuesday 18

2.00pm Tea at the Coach House.

Thursday 20

10.30am Holy Communion in church

Friday 21

Stephen's day off

Saturday 22

Deanery Choirs festival in Worcester Cathedral.

10.00—11.00 Vestry Hour

10.00—12.00 Open Church

6.30pm - Evensong

Officiant: Kanthi Ariaraj

Preacher: Revd Stephen Agnew

Sides: Dawn Nex

Warden: Ian Nex

Readers: Dawn 1 Kings 1: 15-40 & Ian

Revelation 1: 4-18

Intercessions: Revd Stephen Agnew

Anthem: My soul there is a country—

Parry

Voluntary: Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier -

Bach



We have a loop system installed in church. If you wear a hearing aid please turn it to the T position.

NEXT SUNDAY
23rd November
Trinity 23—Christ The king
8.00am Communion (BCP)
10.00am Parish Communion
6.30pm Evensong

The New Testament Reading

1 Thess 5: 1—11

Concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, 'There is peace and security,' then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labour pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

This is the Word of the Lord
THANKS BE TO GOD.

The Gospel Reading

Matthew 25: 14—30

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

GLORY TO YOU O LORD

Jesus said to his disciples, 'The kingdom of heaven is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, "Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents." His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, "Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents." His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, "Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours." But his master replied, "You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

This is the Gospel of the Lord
PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.