

### Fairtrade Stall

The dates when the Fairtrade stall will be open in church again are Sunday 20th August, Thursday 24th August, 10th and 14th of September.



### Dates for your diary:

Make a note in your diary that we will be holding our harvest supper on Saturday September 30th and we will be holding a barn dance on Saturday 21st October—both in our church hall. Invite friends, family and neighbours for what will be excellent evenings.

### Messy Church

Our next messy church will be on Wednesday 16th August 11.00am—1.00pm. The theme will be bible seashores. If you would like to book a place please send a text to 07762250749

### Love Stourbridge (rearranged event)

On Saturday 26th August the cancelled events from last weekend will be rescheduled. As part of the festival we will have our tent in Mary Stevens park and will be making origami cranes with members of the public. If you could spare an hour of your time to help staff the tent (no paper folding experience is necessary) there is a sign up sheet by the north door. Thank you for your support.

We have a **Parish Pass for Westminster Abbey**. This pass allows six free entries during the year with up to 4 adults allowed entry on each visit. If you would like to make use of our Parish Pass please speak to John in the Parish Office. 01384 441003 [st.mary.os@btconnect.com](mailto:st.mary.os@btconnect.com) or Text 07956675990

Please send any notices or information for the pewsheets to the Parish Office by 12 noon on a Wednesday. Send to [st.mary.os@btconnect.com](mailto:st.mary.os@btconnect.com) or text to 07956675990 or phone 01384 441003.

## The Parish Church of St Mary Oldswinford Sunday August 6 2017 Trinity 8 The Transfiguration



*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.  
We have a loop system installed in church. If you wear a hearing aid please turn it to the T position. If you would like to find out 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](http://www.stmaryschurcholdswinford.org.uk)*

### Our services today are as follows:

#### **8.00am - Holy Communion**

**President:** Revd Alex French

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**Sides:** Meriel Harris

#### **10.00am - Parish Communion**

*The choir are taking their well deserved summer break.*

**President:** Revd Alex French **Preacher:** Roger King

**Warden:** Maggie Abbotts **Sides:** John Evans & Toni Evans

**Reader:** Peter Jones **Intercessions:** Maggie Abbotts

**Organ Voluntary:** Andante from Concerto in G no 1 —G F Handel

**Children Together:** Peter & Kathryn Hancox

#### **6.30pm – Evensong**

**Officiant:** Kanthi Ariaraj **Preacher:** Roger King

**Warden:** Ian Nex **Sides:** Dawn Nex

**Readers:** Ian & Dawn Nex

**Intercessions:** Kanthi Ariaraj

**Voluntary:** Chorale Prelude—Paul Melingreau

### Collect for this week:

Father in heaven, whose Son Jesus Christ was wonderfully transfigured before chosen witnesses upon the holy mountain, and spoke of the exodus he would accomplish at Jerusalem; give us strength so to hear his voice and bear our cross that in the world to come we may see him as he is; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

### Readings for our 10.00am service.

#### **The Old Testament Reading**

Exodus 34: 29—35

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

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

## What's going on?

Please ask if you would like to know any more about the events listed on these pages.

### **SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY**

**August 13**

**Trinity 9**

8.00 am Communion  
(BCP)

10.00am Worship  
Together

6.30pm Evensong

### **CHURCH DIARY FOR THIS WEEK**

#### **Monday 7**

Parish Office closed

Alex's day off.

11.00am Pastoral Group meeting.

#### **Wednesday 9**

2.00pm Confirmation class

7.30pm Baptism preparation

#### **Thursday 10**

10.30am Holy Communion in church.

#### **Friday 11**

Stephen's day off

#### **Saturday 12**

10.00am Open Church and vestry hour with Revd Stephen Agnew

### **CHILDRENS SOCIETY BOXHOLDERS 2017 CAMPAIGN**

Once again it is time for the contents of Children's Society boxes to be counted. However, this year we have had to make some changes to collection of the boxes as one of our stalwart collectors is unable to undertake the visits. Also, we need to have all box contents counted and paid in by the second week in October as the old £1 coin is being withdrawn on 15th October.

So arrangements will be as follows:-

1. If Sue usually collects your box I will call and collect this year, if I have not contacted you or collected the box by 28th September please give me a ring to arrange collection on 01384 371247 ( There is a voicemail facility on this line so if I am out please leave a message)
2. For all other boxes - If you can please bring boxes to any service on a Sunday or Thursday in August and September and leave it with a warden or sides person. Please do not leave any boxes in church without alerting someone to the fact it is there.

I will make sure boxes are returned to you after counting.

Thank-you so much for being a box holder. Every penny you save really does make a difference with the money collected being invested in services which directly impact children's lives Thankyou - Maggie Abbotts

**We invite you to offer prayers for .....**

**The World Church:**

The Diocese of Helsinki in Finland with Bishop Irja Askola. Also the Diocese of Puerto Rico in the USA with Bishop Wilfrido Ramos Orench.

**Churches Together:**

St Michael and All Angels, Norton.

**Bishop John has asked us to pray .....**

for all those involved in the BOys2Men project at Redditch. That everyone will enjoy themselves and that the dads will relax and throw themselves into the sessions.

**The work of St Mary's.....**

For all those people taking holiday at this time. Members of our pastoral care group and the work they do. For Anne Batchelor as she begins her work as Mission Enabler in our Parish. Sienna-Mai Gorton, Isla Grainger and George Grainger who will be baptised at St Mary's today. Pray for their parents and Godparents who will be supporting them.

**Those living in:**

Doctors Hill and Meon Rise

**Local Community:**

The What? Centre in Stourbridge

**Among those who are ill:**

Angela Viner, Emma Brown, Margaret Moulton, Michael McCullagh, Bosilka Lazic, Grace Jones, Joni Stainburn, Maureen Parmee, Becky Henley, Gill Franks and Enid Clarke.

**We continue to pray for:**

Rory Macintosh, Joe and Ros Yeates, Elian Irvine-Boden, Anne May, Niamh McCormack, Martin Aston, Ruth Hardy, Anna Scudamore, Jonathan Bryan, Noah Cantius, Michael Woodall, Finley Rogerson, Andrew and Lesley Mullen, Justin and Kevin, Peter and Lydia Wilkinson and Denis Noakes.

**Those in nursing home care:**

Sheila Westwood, June O'Brian, Richard Aldred, Hazel White and Anne Davies.

**The departed:**

Stevie Ashley.

**In memoriam:**

Robert Pratt (4.8.16)

*Please inform the clergy or a member of the pastoral care team as soon as possible if you know of any illness or particular need within the congregation.*

**The Gospel Reading**

Luke 9: 28 –36

*Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke*

**GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.**

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"—not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

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

**Post Communion Prayer:**

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things; may the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute; may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit; may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love shine with the light of hope; and may the bodies which have been fed with your body be refreshed with the fullness of your life; glory to you for ever. Amen

## Glory to God

1. Glory to God, to god in the height,  
bringing peace to eve'ry nation.  
Lord God almighty, Father and King,  
and the author of salvation.  
'Glory!' let the people sing,  
let the whole creation ring,  
telling out redemption's story,  
As we worship your name with thankful songs of praise  
for the love that is your glory.

2. Jesus, the Father's one holy Son,  
all creation bows before you.  
You are the God, the God we acclaim,  
and we worship and adore you.  
Lamb of God, to you we pray,  
you who take our sin away,  
mercy, grace and truth revealing.  
At the right hand of God, receive our humble prayer  
for forgiveness, hope and healing.

3. You, Jesus Christ, alone are the Lord,  
by your own eternal merit;  
Sharing by right the glory of god  
in the presence of the Spirit.  
You alone are lord Most High,  
you alone we glorify,  
reigning over all creation.  
To the Father, the Son and Spirit, Three in One  
be eternal acclamation!

## A date for the diary.

Organised by Churches Together in Stourbridge  
THURSDAY 12TH OCTOBER at 7.30 St Thomas's Church  
Hall, Market Street, Stourbridge, DY8 1AQ.  
A screening of the film I Daniel Blake.

