

Confirmation Autumn 2019

We are planning to run a Confirmation group over the summer for anyone who wishes to be Confirmed (and therefore receive Holy Communion) in the Autumn. There will be six, one hour sessions during the evenings which will prepare participants for Confirmation. If you would like any further information, have any questions or would like to be part of the group please speak to Alex.

Thy Kingdom Come

Thy Kingdom Come is a national prayer initiative spanning the nine days between Ascension Day and Pentecost. It's focus is to pray 'Come Holy Spirit'. This year we are encouraged to experience the Daily Offices (Morning Prayer, Evening Prayer and Compline) as a way of enriching our lives by making the pattern of daily prayer and Bible reading a foundational part of our discipleship to Jesus Christ. We will be running Compline (which lasts for approximately 20 minutes) on the evenings of 30th May, 31st May, 1st June, 3rd June, 4th June, 5th June, 6th June, 7th June, 8th June in the Lady Chapel at 7.00pm.

Please come to our MISSION COFFEE MORNING on Saturday, 8 June at 10.30 am till 12 noon in the narthex.

It's a happy morning enjoying coffee and cake whilst raising funds to help many others. £2.00 per person. Do invite friends to come along too !



We have a new Parish Pass which gives free entry into Westminster Abbey. If anybody is planning a visit to London speak to John via the parish office and he can arrange for you to take the pass. Each use of the pass allows up to 4 adults, students or children 6—16 free of charge.

Please send any notices or information for the pewsheets to the Parish Office by 12 noon on a Thursday. Send to st.mary.os@btconnect.com or phone 01384 441003. This pewsheets is printed on a Friday morning on recycled paper.

The Parish Church of St Mary Oldswinford **Sunday 19 May 2019** **Easter 5**



A warm welcome to any visitors who are worshipping with us today. Please join us for a chat over a cup of coffee after our 10.00am service. 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 or our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/StMarysChurchOldswinford.

Our services today are as follows:

8.00am - Holy Communion

President: Revd Andrew Sillis **Preacher:** Revd Andrew Sillis
Readings from BCP page 188 **Sides:** Nick Harbach

10.00am - Parish Communion

President: Revd Doug Chaplin **Preacher:** Revd Doug Chaplin
Warden: Maggie Abbotts **Sides:** Andrew Scudamore and Toni Evans
Reader: Merl Roberts **Intercessions:** Maggie Abbotts
Children Together: Les Timms and Pauline Pettet
Coffee: Brenda Selby and Chris Brinsdon
Communion Motet: Comfort, O Lord—Crotch
Voluntary: Grosser Gott—Peeters

12 noon Baptism led by Revd Adam Hadley
supported by MU helpers Diana de Souza & Sue Clarke

4.00pm.—Service of Collation by the Bishop of Worcester the Right Reverend Dr John Inge and Induction and Installation by the Archdeacon of Dudley the Venerable Nikki Groarke of the Reverend Jonathan Flitcroft as Rector of St Mary, Old Swinford
Wardens : Tony Tatford & Judy Hall
Sides: Malcolm & Sally Frost, Sue Tatford, Mike Blaxland.

Collect for this week:

Eternal God, who through your only begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life; grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, 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 New Testament Reading

Acts 11: 1—18

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, “Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?” Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, “I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, ‘Get up, Peter; kill and eat.’ But I replied, ‘By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.’ But a second time the voice answered from heaven, ‘What God has made clean, you must not call profane.’ This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man’s house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, ‘Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.’ And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, ‘John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.’ If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ,

The Armed Man

By Karl Jenkins



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Saturday 1st June 2019

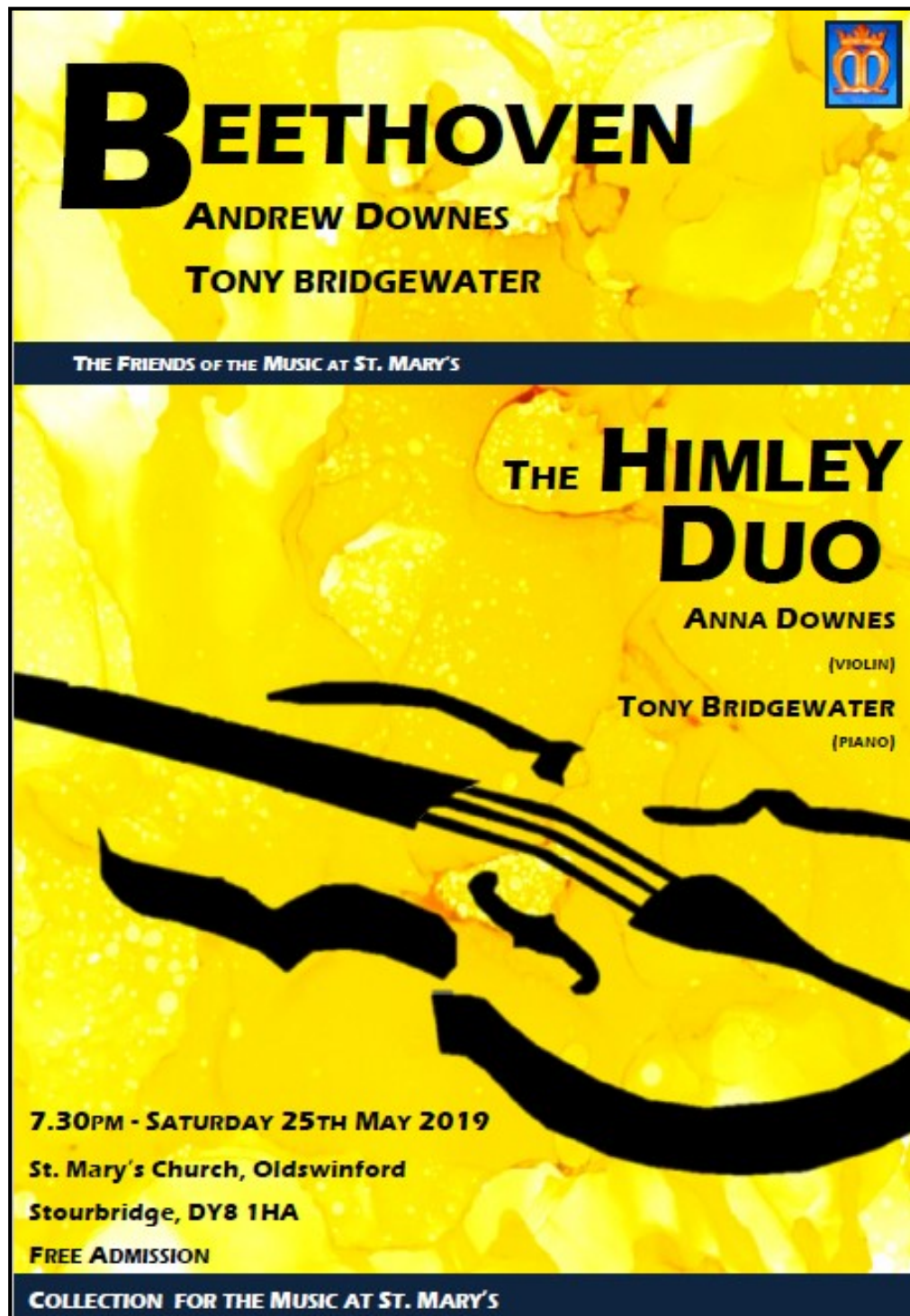
7pm

Stourbridge Town Hall

Tickets: £10 Adults £5 16/Under

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who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

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

The Gospel Reading

John 13: 31-35

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.

When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

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

Post Communion Prayer:

Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth and the life; grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. Amen

This pew sheet is also available at www.stmaryschurcholdswinford.org.uk

We invite you to offer prayers for

Worldwide Church:

The Anglican Church of Viborg in Denmark with Bishop Henrik Stubkjaer. Also the Anglican Church of Melanesia with Archbishop George Takeli.

Churches Together:

Riverside Christian Fellowship

Bishop John has asked us to pray

for all those who use sport as a part of their ministry and a way to share the good news of Jesus. Pray also that David Morris and Nick Gowers do not ache too much after their 100 mile bike ride!

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

For Jonathan as he begins his ministry at St Mary's. For Joseph and Hayley who were married here yesterday. For our PCC who will be meeting this week.

Those living in:

Wollescote Road and Broughton Road

Local Community:

Russells Hall Hospital

Among those who are ill:

Nicola, Roy and Pamela Peacock.

We continue to pray for:

Colin Millward, Joyce Agnew, Miriam Palmer, Josh Raffan, Ian Moore, Brian Drew, Betty and Joe Chiswell, Judy Taylor, Rory Macintosh, Joe and Ros Yeates, Elian Irvine-Boden, Martin Aston, Ruth Hardy, Anna Scudamore, Jonathan Bryan, Noah Cantius, Denis Noakes, Michael Woodall, The Rogerson Family, Peter & Angela Viner, Lilian Bunney, Penny Webb, Jennie Webb, The May family, Heather and Alex.

Those in nursing home care:

Margaret Moulton, Dorothy Gibson and Betty Shore.

The departed:

Alec Beevers, Bernard Waldron and Geoff Skelding.

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.

What's going on?

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

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

May 26

Easter 6

8.00 am Communion (BCP)

Led by Revd Jonathan Flitcroft

10.00am Parish Communion

Led by Revd Jonathan Flitcroft

6.30pm Evensong

Led by Revd Jonathan Flitcroft

CHURCH DIARY

Monday 20

Parish Office closed

Tuesday 21

2.00pm Tea in the Coach House

Wednesday 22

11.30am Holly Lodge

Communion

7.00pm Communion for PCC members.

7.30pm PCC Meeting.

Thursday 23

10.30am Holy Communion in church followed by refreshments.

Friday 24

Clergy's day off.

Saturday 25

10.00am—11.00am Vestry hour

10.00am—12 noon Open Church

7.30pm Friends of the Music

Concert in church.

MESSAGE FROM THE FOODBANK

Hello Everyone

Thank you to our corporate sponsors who are planning various events to raise vital funds for BCFB this year. One company is planning a 'Bikeathon' later in the year. They plan to cycle for 24 hours and raise funds through sponsorship. What an amazing idea, we are so grateful and can't wait to see how much they raise.

Are you a business who would like to raise some money for BCFB? What could you do? A skydive? A bath of beans (we can provide beans!)? Run a marathon? Sponsored silence? You name it we can support you.

Please email admin@blackcountryfoodbank.org.uk if you have any great ideas!

Thank you everyone :)

**BLACK COUNTRY
FOODBANK**
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This week's shortages are:

1L CARTONS UHT MILK, TINNED POTATOES, TINNED VEG READY MEALS (MACARONI CHEESE, VEG CURRY), BOTTLES OF SQUASH/ CORDIAL, 1L CARTONS OF FRUIT JUICE, TINNED RICE PUDDING, TINNED CUSTARD, JARS OF, COOKING SAUCE, TINNED MEAT PIES, TINNED TOMATOES, TINNED SPAGHETTI, PACKETS OF INSTANT MASH ADULT TOOTHPASTE, DEODORANT, SHAVING FOAM/GEL, SHAMPOO, SMALL BOXES OF WASHING POWDER.

Please note that the foodbank cannot accept donations of alcohol. Thanks.

Please feel free to take this pew sheet away and recycle. 

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