



Shirley Parish

Christ the King
St James the Great
St John the Divine

Knowing Christ, Making Him Known

14th – 21st July

Trinity 7

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Sun 14th	8am	Eucharist (St James)
	9am	Eucharist (St John's)
	10.30am	Morning Worship (St James & YouTube)
	10:30am	Eucharist (Christ the King)
	12.30pm	Baptism (St James)
Tues 16th	10am	Welcome Café (Church House)
	11:30am	Craft Club (Church House)
Thurs 18th	10:30am	Eucharist (St James)
Sat 20th	9am	Parish Prayers (St James)
	10am	Messy Church (St James)
	2:30pm	Strawberry Tea (St John's)
Sun 21st	9am	Morning Worship (St John's)
	10.30am	Morning Worship (Christ the King)
	10:30am	Eucharist (St James and YouTube)
	12.30pm	Baptism (St James)

Parish Notices

Parish Office Please remember the office is **closed to visitors** on Mondays.

Holidays – Rich B is away from 13th – 28th July; Paul is away from 22nd July – 5th Aug; Richard H is away from 12th – 20th Aug.

Recycling - Please be aware of the "Simpler Recycling" article in this month's magazine - it applies to Church House and to our churches.

Messy Church needs your cardboard junk! We're doing a Big Build at Messy Church on 20th July, so please can you save your kitchen roll middles and cardboard boxes and leave them in the South Transept. Thank you!

Messy Church needs your Muscle!! Can you help set up before (from 8:20 – 9am) or clear up after (11:30-12) once a month on the 3rd Saturday? If so, please chat to Kate D (07809 481823) or Sarah P (681 1525) - thank you!

Pod Phase 1 - Phase one of the installation begins on Mon 22nd July. This is the construction of a drain connection at the junction of the main path and Church Road. There will be some disruption to traffic and access to the church. This should be completed on Fri 26th July if all goes well. The service on Thurs 25th will be in Church House.

Sunday Afternoon Tea - The next afternoon tea will be on the 21st July. The menu and sign up sheet are in the back of St James, or contact Jan directly. If you have special food requirements please contact Jan and she will accommodate if possible. Jan 07969 326531

Information – we have been asked to publicise the Hearing You, Hearing Me listening course at Shirley Baptist Church in September; a vacancy for an assistant manager at Kairos Coffee shop and a vacancy for an administrator at Solihull Parish. Links with details of these are in the weekly email, or have a word with the office.

Food Bank – Many thanks for 70 boxes of cereal, 44 boxes of UHT milk and 19 boxes of orange juice received last week for the Summer Hunger appeal!

July 100 club winners - £50 Brian Hollins; £25 Sue Pitham

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For Prayer – Shirley Community Church

Those Who Have Died – Violet Thompson

Years Mind - Patricia Wheeler, Renee Cuxon, Paul Fearon, Peggy Nichols, Arthur Ferris, Kenneth Edwards

Coming up...

Nordic (or not) walking meet in Warwick Road car park, Brueton Park 10:30am Monday 15th.

Strawberry Tea in St John's garden (inside if wet), Saturday 20th July, 2.30pm until 4pm. Tickets £5 on sale at the Parish Office.

Book Club The next book club is on Monday 22nd July at 2pm

Churches Together Picnic – in Shirley Park at 12:30 on Sunday 21st – all are welcome to join with Christians from churches across Shirley

Collect - Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Readings for Sunday 14th July

Isaiah 53:3-10

He was despised and rejected by others; a man of suffering and acquainted with infirmity; and as one from whom others hide their faces he was despised, and we held him of no account.

Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth.

Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the Lord shall prosper.

1 Corinthians 1:18-25

For the message about Christ's death on the cross is nonsense to those who are being lost; but for us who are being saved it is God's power. The scripture says,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise
and set aside the understanding of the scholars.”

So then, where does that leave the wise? or the scholars? or the skilful debaters of this world? God has shown that this world's wisdom is foolishness! For God in his wisdom made it impossible for people to know him by means of their own wisdom. Instead, by means of the so-called “foolish” message we preach, God decided to save those who believe. Jews want miracles for proof, and Greeks look for wisdom. As for us, we proclaim the crucified Christ, a message that is offensive to the Jews and nonsense to the Gentiles; but for those whom God has called, both Jews and Gentiles, this message is Christ, who is the power of God and the wisdom of God. For what seems to be God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and what seems to be God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Mark 15:25-39

It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. The inscription of the charge against him read, 'The King of the Jews.' And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying, 'Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself, and come down from the cross!' In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying, 'He saved others; he cannot save himself. Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe.' Those who were crucified with him also taunted him. When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, 'Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?' which means, 'My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?' When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, 'Listen, he is calling for Elijah.' And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying, 'Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down.' Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, 'Truly this man was God's Son!'