



# Shirley Parish

Christ the King  
St James the Great  
St John the Divine

Knowing Christ, Making Him Known

22<sup>nd</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> September  
Trinity 17

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<b>Sun 22nd</b>	8am	Eucharist (St James)
	9am	Eucharist (St Johns)
	10.30am	Worship4Everyone (St James & YouTube)
	12.30pm	Baptism (St James)
<b>Tues 24th</b>	10am	MacMillan Welcome Café (Church House)
<b>Thurs 26th</b>	10:30am	Eucharist (St James)
<b>Fri 27th</b>	10am	Jimmy Tots (Church House)
<b>Sat 28th</b>	9am	Parish Prayers (zoom)
	6:30pm	Harvest Barn Dance (Church House)
<b>Sun 29th Harvest Festival</b>	8am	Eucharist (St James)
	9am	Eucharist (St Johns)
	10.30am	Eucharist (St James & YouTube)
	10:30am	Eucharist (Christ the King)
	6pm	Forest Church (St John's)

## Parish Notices

**Harvest Festival** – Our Harvest services will be on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> Sept at all 3 churches. Any food offerings (non perishable please) will go to the foodbank. Alternatively cash or cheques payable to Narthex Sparkhill or bank transfer to 30-97-97 a/c 00778190 with reference 'Foodbank'

**Mothers Union** - Our next meeting will be on **Wednesday October 2<sup>nd</sup>**. We will enjoy a talk by Mary Bodfish entitled "Lest We Forget". We meet in Church House at 2.00pm, and everyone is welcome to join us.

**CRAFT CLUB** There will no club in September as Jan takes a short break to decorate. Club will restart on the 8th October with some exciting new projects and some old favourites. All skill levels welcome.

**Friends of St. James Coffee Morning** on Saturday 5th Oct from 10.30am-12 noon in Church House. We are collecting bric-a-brac, books and jigsaws which can be left in the Parish Office. We would be very pleased to accept cakes on the day of the sale. Hope to see you there!

**Skittles Evening** – Huge thanks to all who helped make this such a good evening – a great time was had by all and more than £250 was raised.

**ADAVU** –thank you for the ladies' toiletries which will be much appreciated by the rescued ladies whom Liisa is supporting.

**FOODBANK:** this week's appeal is for tins of meat soup and chickpeas.\

**GrowBaby** is now open again, and appealing for boys' clothing, particularly anoraks.

**Position available** - Someone with experience of caring for older people with dementia to visit a 94 year old lady in her own home to provide company, prepare a meal and do a few household tasks. Role is shared with another carer. Required on two or three days a week for 2 or3 hours a day around lunch time - Sheldon area. References and DBS check will be requested. Pay will be above national living wage – contact Paul in the first instance.

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**For Prayer** The Archdeacons

**Those Who Have Died** – Jim Pederson

**Years Mind** Roy Humphries, Noreen Handy, Elsie Foreshow, Raymond Cooke, Jessica Sadler, Charles Baker, Arthur Clift, Elsie Worth, Hayley Birch, Leslie Wheeler, Deborah Summerville, Eric Gilbert, Lilian Vann, Ken Smith, Lewis Brookes

**Coming up...**

**Macmillan Coffee Morning** on 24th September during our usual Welcome Café. Donations of cakes to sell on the day and raffle prizes would be greatly appreciated. Any of these can be given to either Dee or Sarah.

**Parish Harvest Supper & Barn**

**Dance** - Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> Sept 6.30pm in Church House. Tickets £10 (£5 for under 12s) now on sale at the Parish Office.

**Collect** – Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you: pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself, and so bring us at last to your heavenly city where we shall see you face to face; 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 22nd September

### For Worship 4 Everyone:

#### Words from Psalm 104

O Lord, my God, how great you are! You are clothed with majesty and glory; you cover yourself with light.. You use the clouds as your chariot and ride on the wings of the wind. You use the winds as your messengers and flashes of lightning as your servants.

You make springs flow in the valleys, and rivers run between the hills. They provide water for the animals; Our crops produce wine to make us happy, olives to make us cheerful, and bread to give us strength.

The cedars of Lebanon get plenty of rain; the storks nest in the fir trees. The wild goats live in the high mountains. You made the sea, where countless creatures live, large and small alike. The ships sail on it, and in the water live whales, dolphins and all sorts of fish.

I will sing to the Lord all my life; as long as I live I will sing praises to my God. May he be pleased with my song, for my joy comes from him.

### For Eucharists:

#### Jeremiah 11:18-20

It was the Lord who made it known to me, and I knew; then you showed me their evil deeds.

But I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter.

And I did not know it was against me that they devised schemes, saying,

'Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living, so that his name will no longer be remembered!'

But you, O Lord of hosts, who judge righteously, who try the heart and the mind, let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause.

#### James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a

Are there any of you who are wise and understanding? You are to prove it by your good life, by your good deeds performed with humility and wisdom. But if in your heart you are jealous, bitter, and selfish, don't sin against the truth by boasting of your wisdom. Such wisdom does not come down from heaven; it belongs to the world, it is unspiritual and demonic. Where there is jealousy and selfishness, there is also disorder and every kind of evil. But the wisdom from above is pure first of all; it is also peaceful, gentle, and friendly; it is full of compassion and produces a harvest of good deeds; it is free from prejudice and hypocrisy. And goodness is the harvest that is produced from the seeds the peacemakers plant in peace.

Where do all the fights and quarrels among you come from? They come from your desires for pleasure, which are constantly fighting within you. You want things, but you cannot have them, so you are ready to kill; you strongly desire things, but you cannot get them, so you quarrel and fight. You do not have what you want because you do not ask God for it. And when you ask, you do not receive it, because your motives are bad; you ask for things to use for your own pleasures.

So then, submit yourselves to God. Resist the Devil, and he will run away from you. Come near to God, and he will come near to you. Wash your hands, you sinners! Purify your hearts, you hypocrites!

#### Mark 9:30-37

They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, 'The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the way?' But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, 'Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.' Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, 'Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

If you wish to contribute to the notice sheet, please contact the Parish Office by 9am Wednesday (max of 3 sentences). Longer articles to [shirleyparishmagazine@gmail.com](mailto:shirleyparishmagazine@gmail.com) by the 12th