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## **All Saints Church Newsletter**



# The burning bush (Exodus 3) helped us last Sunday to consider our vulnerabilities and opportunities at the beginning of a new term.

We pray for all our children and young people and their teachers and school staff as a new term begins, that they may be alight with the Spirit and, like Moses, curious to learn.

## Worship Matters

Next Sunday 10th September 2023

Creationtide continues

An order of service with music links will be for use at home will be posted on the website.

8am Holy Communion

10am Holy Communion

Readings: Ezekiel 33:7-11

Romans 13:8-end

Matthew 18:15-20

6.30pm Evening Service: Making Room for Each Other a reflective service in conversation and prayer considering:

#### **Faith in Prison**

Following the unsettling escape of a remand prisoner from Wandsworth Prison this week, we have the opportunity, with the help of the book of Acts, to consider the place of prison, not only in society, but in our hearts. We can help each other find some things to pray for people working and living in prison.

We are seeking a volunteer to be our Policy Review Lead: in order to function well as a community of organisations, the Church and the Five Organisations on the site have some thirty policies. Each policy has to be reviewed every three to five years.

A Policy Review Lead is required to work in conjunction with the PCC, the PCC Secretary and the Parish Administrator to help with the periodic review of these policies.

The Policy Review Lead would be required to liaise with the five Boards to implement the review of a policy when the time arises and manage the review process on behalf of the PCC.

Please speak to Tony Cocks if you would like to explore this.

"More ministry not less" - Archdeaconry Explore Days

Two important Archdeaconry Explore Days are planned for the autumn.

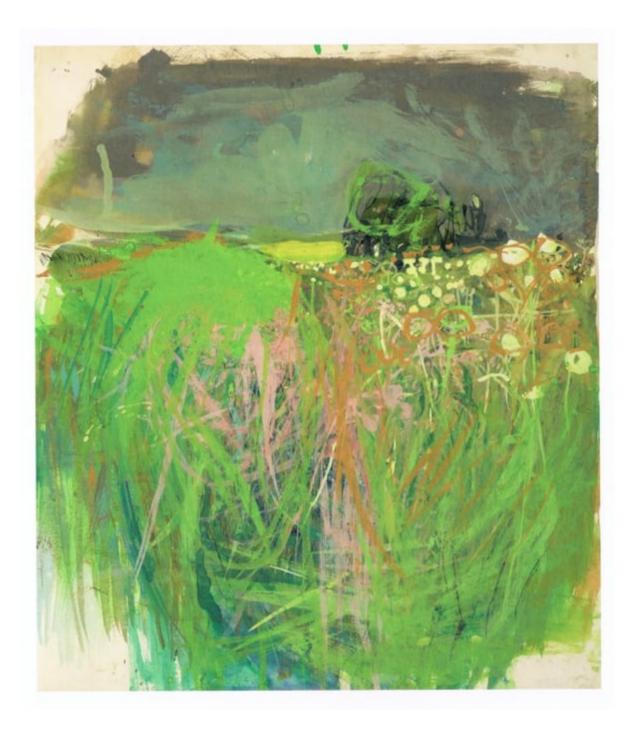
Saturday 23 September 2023 - Birmingham Archdeaconry Explore Day

Saturday 14 October 2023 - Aston Archdeaconry Explore Day

These Archdeaconry Explore Days are being planned by Area Deans in collaboration with a wide range of diocesan colleagues who lead and resource in mission, ministry, vocations and other areas of parish services. They are days designed to help us all explore our vision for "more ministry not less", and what God may be calling each of us to within this vision.

These half days will begin with worship and prayer together, seeking God's vision for the flourishing mission and ministry that we long to see within our parishes and new oversight areas, as well as God's call on our own lives.

In addition to a number of short TED Talks, there will be available something of a "Freshers' Fair", or perhaps rather a "Re-freshers fair", to enable you to visit different stalls and have conversations to follow up your interests. Lunch will be included in the day.



## **Creative Quiet Day**

#### "Living Creatively and Authentically"

# A Creative Quiet Day inspired by the unconventional life and expressive paintings of Scottish artist Joan Eardley

#### 10am - 4pm on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Joan Eardley is one of Scotland's most popular twentieth century artists. She was a sharp observer of both people and place, and her artist gaze was direct, truthful and unflinching. Her gritty, expressive and vibrant artwork documents the lives and landscapes of the urban and rural communities in which she lived before her death from cancer at the age of 42. As a woman and as an artist, she defied societal norms, forging her own unique and unconventional creative path. Her images from the north-east coast of Scotland will provide a nourishing visual focus for the day as we create our own landscapes and seascapes. There will also be an opportunity to share reflections together on how Eardley's life might inspire us to find ways of living more creatively and authentically.

The day is open to all and will be facilitated by Gillian Lever and Becky Morse-Brown, an artist and art therapist, whose Christian faith has been nourished and shaped by art making and imagery over many years.

Venue: Cotteridge Quaker Meeting House, 23A Watford Road, Birmingham, B30 1JB.

This is a fully accessible space with ample parking available although it is also easy to reach by public transport. We will have sole use of a classroom suitable for 'messy work' and access to the courtyard garden. There may be other groups using different rooms at this venue on the same day.

Cost: £65 per person (to cover costs of venue hire, refreshments, and the provision of all art materials).

Please pay once your place has been confirmed, if possible, by bank transfer (details will be provided). We are also asking each person to bring their own packed lunch in order to keep the cost as low as possible.

All are warmly welcome. If you would like to book a place on one of the above dates, please email: <a href="mailto:rebecca@morsebrown.co.uk">rebecca@morsebrown.co.uk</a>

(Image: Hedgerow with Grasses 1962-63 by Joan Eardley)



# The Revd Dr Michael Volland is introduced as our new Bishop of Birmingham

Currently Principal of Ridley Hall Cambridge, former Cranmer Hall Tutor in Mission, Michael will be consecrated in November and Installed in the New Year.

We pray for Michael's family's preparation for moving, his preparation for ordination and our preparation to welcome and get to know him. There will no doubt be a flurry of speculations and internet investigations around the Diocese of who he is and what his opinions are on the things each church treasures most. Our newly refreshed statement of values shows clearly what we as a group care about most. I look forward to sharing that with him. We pray for grace and patience as we discover one another's gifts.

## Greenbelt 2023 and 2024

You can buy cheaper tickets if you book early and you can pay in installments.



Most of the All Saints Greenbelt group at the Sunday Communion Service

Ask any of us about Greenbelt if you're wondering about joining us next year.



# For next year's tickets click here

https://www.greenbelt.org.uk/b uy-tickets/

### For our prayers

We pray for The Revd Dr Michael Volland, to be our next Bishop.

We pray for all our children and young people beginning a new term.

Among those who are unwell we pray for Roger Tyrrell, Wendy Turner, Mary O'Reagan and Mary Cushnie.

Among those who have died we remember Ernie Humpage and Margaret Shepherd.

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### Best wishes, **David** The Revd Canon David Warbrick, Vicar of All Saints Kings Heath vicar@allsaintschurchkh.org (0121) 444 0260

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