



All Saints Church Newsletter

Tears letting go

We are very sad to announce the death of Kathy Farbrother, nee Mountford, whose family have been part of All Saints for many decades. Kathy was Churchwarden, her husband Mick our facilities manager during the All Saints Centre development. We pray for Mick, Sara and Paul in Sheffield, and Kathy's sister Diane on our welcome team here and their mother here in Birmingham. Kathy died peacefully at home.

She was a hugely encouraging person, attractively underestimating her own talents, but always stepping up to help. She showed a deep, trusting, prayerful faith in times of challenge or worry. Her smile brightened any day.

Healing Laughter

Thank you to all who took part in the Pantomime production the weekend before last, and everyone who came to enjoy it. The spirit of generosity and mutual encouragement in the room during rehearsals was warm and energising. The willingness to act daft was humbling. The eagerness and generosity of audiences was uplifting. The range of skills, the range of ages (3-77) and the time and effort for the sake of a good laugh were gifts of grace.

What an antidote to the prevailing mood of gleeful criticism and desire to shame others. It was a timely, healing gift. Thank you, everyone.

Next Sunday 23rd February Second Sunday before Lent

8am Holy Communion:

10am Holy Communion

Genesis 2:4b-9; 15-end

Revelation 4

Luke 8:22-25

After the service there will be a chance over coffee to enquire and talk about various roles and opportunities for volunteering at All Saints, from welcomer to server, churchwarden to board director, from Safeguarding coordinator to gardener to charity treasurer.

6.30pm Evening Service

ECUMENICAL LENT GROUPS 2025

Churches Together in Kings Heath

invite you to join an ecumenical group, meeting on-line or in person, to chat and pray with Christians from local churches. Meeting over five-weeks we will discuss *Expecting Christ*. We look at several moments in our faith and lives where a door opens and lets Christ in, catching the sense of expectancy which not only comes from Advent, but throughout the year. We will think about how Christ can surprise us and meet us in five distinct contexts: in family, in ourselves, in prayer, in the end, and in life after death.

It starts either: **Monday** 10 March 11.00am at All Saints Church; **Tuesday** 11 March 8.00pm On-line led by New Life Baptist Church; **Wednesday** 12 March 10.30am at New Life Baptist Church; **Thursday** 13 March 12.15am in St. Dunstan's Conference Room.

Contact Deacon David to confirm your preferred place by **Sunday 2 March**.

[07948379545](tel:07948379545) or email fairbo28@gmail.com

Also, all are welcome to join an ecumenical service on Friday 7 March 2025 at 2pm in St. Dunstan's church to mark **World Day of Prayer**. Light refreshments after.

COME TO A CONVERSATION ABOUT

ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY

WITH AL CARNS MP for B'HAM SELLY OAK

Friday January 31st 7pm – 8.15pm

Doors open 6.30pm

Cotteridge Quaker Meeting House

23A Watford Road, Birmingham B30 1JB

[Contact Us – Cotteridge Quakers](#)

Come to listen and speak about

Care for Creation

Insulation and Retrofit

Warm homes free of Energy Debt

BE THE CHANGE YOU WANT TO SEE

Kings Heath Local History Society

present an illustrated talk on

Wednesday 19th February, 7.15 to 8.45

The First World War V.C.'s of the Royal Warwickshire Regiment

by Ian Binnie

At the Community Centre, Heathfield Road, B147DB

45,570 men served in the 31 battalions of the Royal Warwickshire Regiment during the Great War. 11,610 were killed. Many received awards for bravery. Ian will tell the story of the five men who received the highest award, the Victoria Cross. Two of these men came from Birmingham, two from other parts of the West Midlands.

Ian is a retired secondary headteacher with a lifelong interest in military history. He has done many talks both live and on Zoom, on topics ranging from the Battle of Waterloo to the leadership of Field Marshal Montgomery. He has a particular interest in the Royal Warwickshire Regiment.

Members are free. Visitors pay £3.00. Light refreshments are available for a small charge.

The Revd Lynn Busfield offers these fortnightly opportunities for reflection:

A fellowship group on Monday evening, 24th February, then 10th March at 7.30pm informally to discuss the previous morning's sermon.

There is room for up to eight people each time, so it would be helpful if you could let the host - Lynn Busfield - know if you are coming:

email: lynnbusfield58@icloud.com

Address: Flat 4, 28 Gracewell Road, B13 9XG



Friendship Meals

This term we have met in two friendship meals; small groups of people meeting together for a meal. One group went to the Red Lion (see photo) and the other group met for a bring and share meal in one of their houses.

If you would like to be added to the list for spring term, please let Rosalyn know. You meet just once before Easter.

Contact details are shared with consent and the group chooses where & when to meet.

If money is an issue please have a quiet word with David as this will not be a barrier to taking part.

If you are interested please chat to Rosalyn or email her c/o parishoffice@allsaintschurchkh.org and let her know the contact information you are happy to share.

Many thanks

Rosalyn

20s and 30s

With the aim of strengthening community and building deeper relationships our Small Group meets on a Thursday every week at 7:45pm . We worship together, explore questions about faith, and discuss the teachings of Jesus and how they are applicable to our lives.

If you do like more information about how to join, get in touch with Jake at [07957 628 924](tel:07957628924)

For our prayers

Among those who are unwell we pray for Rob Hingley and Helga McKiernan.

Among those who have died we remember Kathy Farbrother, nee Mountford, Sheila Berry, Lesley Pitt and John Wesson,

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Best wishes,

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