



St Matthew's Walsall - Bulletin
Sunday 19th June 2022

**Worshipping God;
 Equipping His people;
 Growing His Kingdom;
 Serving Walsall**

What's on this week...

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| Sun 19th | 8.45am | - Parish Communion (Church) |
| | 10.45am | - All Age Worship (Church) |
| | 1.00pm | - Asian Congregation (Centre) |
| | 6.30pm | - The Evening service (Centre) |
| Mon 20th | 7.30pm | - Home group leaders meeting (Rectory) |
| Tues 21st | 10.00am-4.00pm | - Places of Welcome (Church) |
| Wed 22nd | 10.00am | - Bible study (Church) |
| Thurs 23rd | 9.30am-11.00am | - Stay and Play (Centre) |
| | 2.00pm | - OWLs (Centre) |
| Fri 24th | 8.40pm | - Blue Coat Academy Church Assembly (Church) |
| | 9.30am | - Church Open, Cleaning and Flower Arrangers (Church) |
| | 7.30pm | - Signs for Worship Walsall (Online) |

Further ahead

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| 27th June | - Standing Committee (Rectory) |
| 29th June | - Funeral of Sandra Herreaman (Church) |
| 2nd July | - Jam Family breakfast (Church) |
| | - Deanery Lay Conference |
| | - Wedding of Jade Patten & Paul Coleman |
| 4th July | - Funeral of Stuart Bruffin (Church) |
| | - Leadership Team (Rectory) |
| 6th July | - Children's Church leaders and helpers meeting
(Anyone interested is welcome to come along) |
| 9th July | - Together festival (Himley Park) |
| 14th July | - Deanery Synod Summer Eucharist – all welcome (see below) |

Prayer Requests

Please pray for those known to you and the wider church who are struggling at this time. Please also remember in your prayers Johnny and Jane, David, Maureen Platt, Joao Henrique, Alwyn Platt, June Nicholas, Deborah Maragh, Helen Robinson, Liz Blewitt, Sheena, Kim, Marian Masters, Heather Samuels, and Margaret Madeley. Please pray for the family and friends of the family and friends of Pam Campbell, Sandra Herreaman and Stuart Bruffin.

Please include in your prayers: John Morley (Aldridge) who will be ordained Priest on 18th June. Please also pray for the following who will be ordained Deacon on Sunday 26th June Amanda Mallen (Bloxwich), Peter Carmody-Heaton (Rushall), Susan Phillips (St Martins).

Invitation

We'd love for our Church family to join us in celebrating Isaac's baptism during the 10.45am service on Sunday 26th June! You are welcome to enjoy some cake with your refreshments after the service too! **(The Dallaways)**

Wanted – Head Server

The role of the Head Server is to prepare the communion table each week when we have communion services, keep an eye on communion supplies, and to make sure the right colour table frontal cloths are on the high table, lectern and pulpit. If you think this is ministry that might suit you, please speak to Rev Jim. Training will be provided.

A prayer for St Matthew's in a season of change

Loving God, As St. Matthew's enters this season of change in staff and operations structures we thank you for the new opportunities it brings. We pray in particular now for those leading our working groups. For Lauren, chairing the future planning group and for Jimm and Beth, leading in continuity and administration. We pray that you would give them wisdom, energy, vision and perseverance to see your work done in this place. Amen.

Welcomers needed

We are looking for welcomers to help at the 8.45am service, if you think this is something you can help with, please contact Beth Ray.

Help Wanted

Could you spare a couple of hours each month to help building manager John with maintenance/repairs? No experience or special skill is needed, but you must be able bodied and have a mobile phone.

- Typical tasks include supporting a ladder, tidying tools and observing.
- Typical jobs include Danish oil all oak doors, clear vegetation from north boundary wall and repairing brick steps.

More for information please contact John Edlin on 07546504904.

Daily Prayer Emails Sign up at: <https://www.stmatthewswalsall.co.uk/signup>

June Prayer Diary The current prayer diary is available [here](#)

Questionnaire: Legacy Project



Our Legacy Project, Project Consultants, Greenwood of Lichfield, are conducting a Public Consultation concerning the future uses of St Matthew's Church. Would you like to contribute your views? You can either use the online survey using the QR Code to link to the online version. Alternatively, you can fill in a paper copy and post it in a box in the glass Entrance Porch. Thank you. John Edlin. Chair of the Legacy Project Committee.

Sponsoring a Ukrainian Family

Can you sponsor a Ukrainian family to find a safe home in the UK? A family of five, parents and three children, are in need of sponsorship to reach the UK. Do you have room in your home to accommodate them or others? If you can help, please contact Marina at marina0905@gmail.com for further information.

Wider Church & Local News

Black Country Foodbank

The food banks are desperate for donations due to a large rise in people seeking help. For more for information see www.blackcountryfoodbank.org.uk

Walsall Deanery Summer Eucharist

The Walsall Deanery Summer Eucharist will take place at 7.30pm on Thursday 14th July 2022 at St Gabriel's church (Walstead Road, Walsall, WS5 4LZ). The Eucharist with the deanery choir will be followed by light refreshments. The preacher will be the Revd Dr Carlton Turner, Anglican tutor in contextual theology and mission studies at Queen's Foundation in Birmingham. Everyone is welcome to attend this free event but please let Rev Jim know so that numbers can be passed to the Deanery Secretary for catering purposes, or contact her direct by 7th July on either email: valeriebenford2@gmail.com or 01543 322 671.

The choir will be based up in the Choir Gallery at the back of St Gabriel's. If you would be interested in joining the choir for this special Service please contact Andrew Clayton

New Wine Summer Gatherings – help needed

New Wine urgently need help to raise team for the New Wine summer gatherings for United, Luminosity and Sixty One. Thousands booked in, hungry to gather to worship Jesus together this summer, but they urgently need volunteers to be able to pull off the events. There are many ways to serve including children's work or youth work, café serving, stewarding, site services, supporting children with additional needs (Our Place) or adults with learning disabilities (Access), if you have special skills, medical or technical teams, and many more. To apply, go to www.new-wine.org/teams

Do you have Hip Arthritis?

The Academy Team at the NHS in the Black Country is running a patient feedback project in Sandwell and Walsall. We want to explore the experiences of Hip Arthritis patients to see

what kind of treatments patients are offered, and what the NHS might be able to do to improve services. We would like to involve a range of patients from different backgrounds. We are offering a gift of £25 shopping voucher for taking part. If you are interested in taking part, please contact us directly at: Bruno Barbosa (07977947401) bruno.barbosa1@nhs.net or Rosalind Smithson (07977 947438) rosalind.smithson@nhs.net

DAC Advisors wanted.

An exciting opportunity has arisen to become an **Adviser** to the Lichfield Diocesan Advisory Committee (DAC); a role appointed by the Diocesan Bishop.

- Do you love church buildings and want to see their communities flourish?
- Do you share the goal for churches to become carbon net zero by 2030?
- Have you got the insight and enthusiasm to help drive this mission forward?

The diocese would like to hear from **specialists in building services** with the time and skills to offer advice, in a voluntary capacity, to our statutory committee on church buildings, the Lichfield DAC. The Church of England's General Synod has approved new legislation to help churches meet carbon-reduction targets. The updated Faculty Jurisdiction (Amendment) Rules 2022 – the Church's equivalent of planning law – come into effect on **1 July 2022**.

The revised rules have been designed to ensure that they work in step with churches trying to reach net zero carbon. Nearly all the changes will make it easier for churches to make [environmentally-friendly adaptations](#). The role of **DAC Advisers** is to give advice to the DAC on matters requiring particular specialist knowledge, including works to churches specifically relating to net zero carbon. Expressions of interest are invited from individuals in the following areas:

- **Lighting**
- **Electrics**
- **Audio-visual**
- **Internet connectivity**

We welcome applications for the role of DAC Adviser from **competent and experienced professionals** (in practice or retired) who can commit to giving written advice on casework on a rolling programme as well as undertaking site visits. Being a DAC Adviser offers a unique opportunity to help to ensure the long-term protection and sustainability of our churches. More details, and how to apply, are on the dedicated [expressions of interest web page](#) on the diocesan website. Please express your interest by **Friday 1 July** (5 pm).

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