



This Week Sheet

4th Sunday Before Lent

Sunday 10th February 2019

Welcome

We normally have Junior Church every Sunday.
If you can't see any children, ask at the door
and people will advise you.

Hymns: 362 387 **621** 447 676

(the collection for the work of the church
will be taken in the third hymn)

Collect:

Lord of the hosts of heaven,
our salvation and our strength,
without you we are lost:
guard us from all that harms or hurts
and raise us when we fall;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Readings:

Isaiah 6:1-8
1 Corinthians 15:1-11
Luke 5:1-11

For your prayers:

Those who are unwell: Ezra Simms, Brenda Skinner,
Vicky Tod, Pat Westwood, Ben Williams, Kane Walker.

Those who have died: Avis Lacey, Paul Madden, Baby
Bradley Proshka, Craig Ward, Ross Williams.

Post Communion Prayer:

Go before us, Lord, in all we do
with your most gracious favour,
and guide us with your continual help,
that in all our works
begun, continued and ended in you,
we may glorify your holy name,
and finally by your mercy receive everlasting life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

SERVICES

This Week:

6.30pm

Hymns:

Evening Worship

632, 140, 16

Weekdays:

Mon – Fri

8am

Morning Prayer

Wed

10am

Holy Communion
(followed by Open Church)

Next Sunday:

8.00am

10.00am

Readings

3rd Sunday before Lent

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Jeremiah 17:5-10

1 Corinthians 15:12-20

Luke 6:17-26

6.30pm

Choral Evensong

If you are new to this morning's service:

If it is your custom to receive the bread and wine in your own church, then you are welcome to do so here. If you would rather not receive, you can keep your hands down for a blessing.

You may wish to remain in your seat, which is also fine.

Stay for refreshments after the 10am service if you can.

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If you wish to support the work of the church financially, you can be part of the 'envelope scheme' or set up a Standing Order. You can also fill out a Gift Aid Declaration to increase the value of the gift. See wardens for information. Here are our account details:

PCC St Mary's Church Selly Oak
HSBC Account number: 41565818
Sort code: 40-11-20

Parish ministry team

Clergy

Revd Jayne Adams 07894 167552

Revd David Parker 0121 445 1901/07532 338961

Licensed Reader

Mary Cutler 0121 472 3343

Church Wardens

George Harrison: 07831 573169 Martin Sorby 07982 850 444

Bookings for weddings and baptisms: Weds 6.15-7.15pm
Bellringing practice: Weds 7.30-9pm.



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Diary Dates

Feb

Mon 11 th	7.30pm	The Way Group
Tue 12 th	10.30am	Bible study
Thu 14 th	2.30pm	School service
	7.30pm	Book Group CHANGED DATE
	7.30pm	Issues Group
Fri 15 th	9.30am	School service
Tue 19 th	10.30am	Coffee morning
Wed 20 th	1.15pm	Funeral in church
Fri 22 nd	12.45pm	Funeral in church

March

Sun 3 rd		Quiet Day
Wed 6 th		Ash Wednesday
Mon 11 th	10.30am	Coffee morning

Electoral roll revision

Registration forms now available: anyone wanting to be on the electoral roll of St Mary's needs to complete a form – do sign up!

The Way Group (Mon 11th Feb) 7:30pm at 36 Innage Road, B31 2DU: "Fairtrade and Ethical Buying".

Bible Study (Tue 12th Feb) 10.30am at 37 Tillyard Croft. Wm Barclay, *The Gospel of Luke*. Luke 6:1-49. pp. 82-99. The Increasing opposition; The defiance of Jesus; Jesus chooses the twelve; The end of the world's values; The Golden Rule; Rules for life and living; The only sure foundation. All Welcome.

Issues Group (Thu 14th Feb) 37 Tillyard Croft 7.30 pm
Topic: Mosque Open Day

Book Group (Thu 14th Feb) 7.30pm at 9 Bridgewater Court, to discuss Patrick Gale's *A perfectly good man*.
Note change of date.

Coffee Morning (Tue 19th Feb)

The next coffee morning will take place at the home of George and Helen Harrison, 11 Hollister Drive, Harborne. All welcome.

Quiet Day (Sun 3rd March)

As in previous years, to help us prepare for Lent we have organized a Quiet Day for the Sunday before Lent. This year we shall be led by Sister Brigid McNally. More details to follow, but please sign the sheet at back of church if interested.

Mosque Open Day (Sun 3rd March) 11am – 4pm. We have received an invitation to an open day at Jami Mosque and Islamic Centre, 521 - 527 Coventry Road, Small Heath, B10 0LL. Please let Sigvard von Sicart know if you would like to attend.

LENT

We shall start Lent on **Ash Wednesday (6th March)** with services at St Mary's at 10am and at Selly Oak Methodist Church at 7.30pm, and end on **Palm Sunday (14th April)** with a joint service of choral evensong here at 6.30pm.

During the intervening 5 weeks, **joint discussion groups** following the series "The Mystery of God" (<https://ctbi.org.uk/lent/>) will meet as follows:

Tuesdays, 10.30am at Weoley Hill URC

Thursdays, 10.30am at St Mary's

Thursdays, 7.30pm at Selly Oak Methodist Church

Please sign the list at the back of church if interested.

Lent lunches will be held as follows:

23rd March Selly Oak Methodist Church

30th March St Mary's

13th April Weoley Hill URC

Food bank Please keep the donations of food coming, but note that the food bank cannot use pet food.

The readings

Do you remember when your mother or father called you to do a job for them, such as going to the corner shop, or when they called you to get out of bed or you would be late for school?

How did you respond: willingly or reluctantly or did you pretend you hadn't heard? In our first reading today we hear about the call of the prophet Isaiah. Our second lesson is from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians' in which he alludes to his own call as an apostle. The reading from Luke's gospel relates to the call of the first disciples. Isaiah certainly responded willingly when God asked "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" His immediate response was "Here I am, send me". Paul's call came as he journeyed from Jerusalem to Damascus when he saw a great light and heard the voice of God. His subsequent conversion from persecuting Christians to an enthusiastic apostle of Christ is touched upon in his letter to the Corinthians. In Luke's gospel, Simon Peter is at first reluctant to do as Jesus asks him and return to deep water and cast his fishing nets for a second time. But he does as he was asked and makes a miraculous catch. From that moment on he follows the call of Jesus. The call of the living God is as appropriate today as it was in the days when Jesus called Simon Peter.

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