Youth and Children's Work at St Alkmund's

Sunday by Sunday

Children are very welcome in this church. You may wish to consider sitting where the children are able to see (joining in with actions is positively encouraged). All children are invited to join the following groups:

Crèche (ages 0-3): In the vestry.

Sunday Club (preschool to school Year 6): In the hall.

Fuel (school years 7-9): In the Smith Chapel.

If you are visiting, or joining us for the first time, please ensure you've completed a temporary consent form.

Midweek

Babes & Bouncers (baby and toddler group): Monday Mornings, 10am-11.30am, in the church hall. £1.50 per family. A lovely morning of toys, crafts, biscuits, drinks, songs and a bible story.

Impact (school years 7-9): Monday Nights, 7pm-8.30pm in the church hall **Ignition (school years 10-13):** Tuesday Nights, 7.30pm-9pm in the church hall

What are we doing this term?

Sunday Club are learning about God's big plan for his people from creation to covenant.

Fuel are looking at how to listen to a sermon, using "Listen up!" by Christopher Ash.

Sparks are venturing through the story of the Exodus and learning about how God rescues his people.

Impact and Ignition are looking at 1 Thessalonians, a letter from Paul in the New Testament to a group of newly converted Christians. This letter is full of encouragements to hold fast to Jesus in a hostile world, and advice about how to live a life pleasing to God. As you can imagine, the world that the Thessalonians were living in is pretty similar to the one our young people are growing up in!

Please do be praying for our children and young people — that those who are still deciding what they believe will see something of God's amazing love for them this term, and that those who are professing faith will be emboldened to live out their faith and enjoy knowing Jesus!



Weekly News 29th July 2018 Today's services - Sunday 29th July

8am Holy Communion All Saints Chapel

10am Morning Service From Iconium to Antioch (Acts 14:1-28)
6.30pm Evening Service A Question of the future (Malachi 3:6-4:6)

Next Sunday (5th August)

8am Holy Communion All Saints Chapel 10am Holy Communion Hidden (Psalm 10)

6.30pm Evening Service The Lord's Prayer (Luke 11:1-13)

Everything you need for today's service will be on the screen. Service sheets, including large print, are available if you prefer.

Toilets are located in the hall next door.

Please switch your hearing aid to the T setting for our **Induction Loop system**

For more information see:

www.stalk munds duffield.co.uk

Facebook: St Alkmund's Church Duffield

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Call the office on 01332 840536 (open Monday-Friday 9.30am-3pm) If you would like to see **James Hughes**, the Vicar, about any pastoral or church matter, please contact him at home on 841867 or at the office on 840536.

Parish Safeguarding Link: Jonathan & Ruth Saunders 07709002996 psl-st_alkmunds-duffield@outlook.com

Dear Friends,

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Last week I talked in this letter about some things you might want to do over the summer, and about some events that are coming up in September. This week, I want to think about some of the opportunities we have to serve at St Alkmund's at the moment, as we get ready for September.

This summer we are looking for people to serve in Children's and Youth work. We are particularly looking for men who are willing to work with those between the age of 3 and 18 (not all at the same time); many other churches have men and women working together in Sunday school or Sunday club and in youth work, and whilst we do have a few men working with our 11-18 year olds in various capacities, we don't currently have any male Sunday club leaders. This is a great shame, and it would be good to start to address it. If this is something you have done before, then it might be something you are willing to do again. If it is something you have never done, then we are more than happy to organise an opportunity to come and see what it might involve. Even if you have never considered this before, then please do think about it – and speak to me.

We've also got other areas of practical service where we could do with some additional people to help, especially on Sunday evenings. Our sound team could do with a recruit or two – don't worry, training will be provided. We could also do with some folk to serve tea and coffee after the service – again, we can provide training for this. Our evening service is currently 10-20% 11-18 year olds – we'd love to be able to staff this service in a way which will enable it to grow.

Finally – do you have a musical gift that you have been hiding under a bushel? Would you like to be able to be part of our music team? Do let me know – all musicians gratefully received, particularly pianists and keyboard players.

Opportunities to Serve

Sound technicians.

We are in need of people to train for this task, and be available for Sunday evening service. Please contact the office if you can help.

Youth and children's ministry.

Could you help with this important ministry? On Sundays, or during the week at Babes and Bouncers or with the youth groups. Contact Helen or Carys.

Evening Coffee Rota

The rota for evening refreshments is currently kept at the back of church. However, the office are trying to look into doing a more robust rota, so, if this is something you could consider doing (say every 4, or 6 weeks) then please let the office know. The more people on, the less you'll be rota'd. Thank you.

Coming Up

Sparks & Sunday Club over the Summer

Sparks will be taking a break until 9th September & a Summer Sunday Club will be taking place during the school holidays. If anyone has a current DBS and wishes to help out, please speak to the Helen Hawley.

28th July to 4th August Hope Valley Venture. There will be an update of how the camp went on the morning service on 5th August.

Confirmation Classes in September.

Beginning 9th September at 5.30pm, we'll be running Confirmation classes in the church hall for any of the youth who wish to be confirmed. If any adults wish to be confirmed, please speak to James Hughes.

The Way, The Truth and The Life

A new Thursday Course beginning 20th September in the hall 10am and 7.30pm.

Harvest Supper 29th September

A perfect evangelistic event to invite friends to. More info nearer the time, but save the date!

Mission Partners update

On the 5th August Dan and Vicki Byrne will be joining us for our morning service.

Prayers

Please pray for all activities in church, and for the preparations for Hope Valley Venture over the summer; for David and Helen Barnsley as they lead the venture and for Helen and Carys as leaders.

For those who are ill: Hazel Gilman; Doreen Curl; Glan Evans; Brenda Norreys; Norman Wainwright; Laura (a friend of Joanna Saunders); Maurice Shenton; Marie-Claire Carswell; & Susan Slawson.

For those who have been recently bereaved.

Take Note

GDPR consent forms. These need to be completed and handed in to the office ASAP, as we begin to sort out who wishes to be contact, in which way, and begin the put together a church directory. Please ensure that all forms, are ticked as appropriate, and signed (or emailed) before being handed into the office. Thanks.

Morning Prayer Morning prayer (Tuesdays at 9.15am) will be continuing until 31st July, then take a break until 4th September.

Prayer Meeting There will be no monthly prayer meeting on 1st August due to the Schools Summer Holidays. The next prayer meeting will be 5th September at 8pm in the church hall.

Youth & Children's work. It is a huge privilege to share with you in teaching your children about Jesus. As our regular youth & children's groups take a break for the summer holidays, I wanted to recommend a blog that I think looks really good which is all about parenting! There should be a new post each day over the holidays giving encouragement and advice on how to be the primary disciplers of your children in the home. Do take a look at the link . God bless, Helen Hawley. https://faithinkids.org/blog/app/archive/2018-07/title/parentingwith-purpose-hours-in-the-week

You may be interested...

A Christian film "I Can Only Imagine" (PG) is opening at Derby Foresters Park Showcase cinema on Fri. 10th August with performances daily at 7pm only. For details and the trailer click on: www.icanonlyimagine.co.uk

There are always opportunities to serve, and it may be that I haven't mentioned something you would like to do – please do speak to me, as we are always looking for ways for people to be able to use the gifts God has given them.

Yours in Christ



IMPORTANT

We would like to draw your attention to where the fire exits are: -

- Through the main door
- Through the door to the hall (Link) and then turn right into the gravevard.

Please listen carefully to the fire wardens and remain calm at all times.

When you have left the building please assemble in the car park by the war memorial.

Dates for your Diary.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
30th July School Summer Holidays	31st July 9.15am Morning Prayer	1st August Bridge Event in the Church Hall (Private)	2nd August	3rd August	4th August	5th August 8am Communion All Saints 10am Communion— Dan & Vicki visit 6.30pm Evening Service
6th August School Summer Holidays	7th August	8th August	9th August	10th August	11th August	12th August 8am Matins— St Paul's 10am Morning Service 6.30pm Evening Service
13th August School Summer Holidays	14th August	15th August	16th August	17th August	18th August	19th August 8am Matins All Saints Chapel 10am Morning Service 6.30pm Evening Service
20th August School Summer Holidays 7.30pm DVWB Anniversary Celebration (Private)	21st August	22nd August	23rd August	24th August	25th August	26th August 8am Communion St Alkmund's 10am Morning Service 6.30pm Communion