



St Alkmund's Duffield Parish Church

Weekly News 5th May 2019

Youth and Children's Work at St Alkmund's

What's on this term for our under 18's?

Babes & Bouncers: Monday Mornings, 10am-11.30am. We'll be hearing all about how God saves his people, along with plenty of Toys and play time, crafts, songs and refreshments!

Creche: Available during the Morning services for 0-3 year olds.

Sunday Club: Will be learning from the Gospel of Luke about Jesus' journey from Cradle to Grave and what it means to respond to God.

Sparks: First Sundays of each month, we'll be learning some memory verses this year along with playing games, songs, crafts and café.

Fuel: 11-14's, We will be looking at the 10 commandments over breakfast.

Salt Café: Pizza, games and friendship before the first Sunday Special Service each month, 5.30pm.

Youth Band: Playing on the third Sunday of each month in the Evening Service.

Impact & Ignition: Monday and Tuesday Evenings. Our youth groups are spending the term in the Parables looking at what these well-loved stories of Jesus still have to teach us today.

CU: Tuesday lunch times at Ecclesbourne School, E Block. We are diving into Colossians, with some of our young people leading the sessions themselves!

Services on Sunday 5th May

8am	Communion	All Saints Chapel
10am	Morning Service	Devoted to God (Ephesians 1:15-23)
6.30pm	First Sunday Special	Can we trust the Bible? (Luke 1:1-4)

Next Sunday (12th May)

8am	Communion	St Paul's Church
10am	Morning Service	Devoted to One Another (Romans 12:1-13)
6.30pm	Communion	How Long O Lord? (Habakkuk 1)

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.

In the event of a fire please exit the building either through the main door or via the door to the church hall (Link), then turn right into the graveyard. Fire Assembly Point is the War Memorial, by the gate.

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

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The Vicarage
5th May 2019

Dear Friends,

This morning sees the launch of a sermon series looking at our new mission statement: ***Devoted to God, Devoted to One Another***, based on Acts 2:42. We will be spending the next three weeks in the morning looking at what this means for us as a church.

Over the next few weeks and months, our mission statement will be increasingly obvious around the church, along with some of the phrases we will use to support it. However, in the meantime I thought it would be helpful to spell some of those phrases out.

First, we have a set of aspirations for how we seek to become devoted to God and devoted to one another:

*We want to go **deeper** in our knowledge and love for Christ and His people*

*We want to go **wider** in reaching more people with the good news of Jesus*

*We want to go **higher** in pursuing Christ-like character together*

Second, we remember Jesus' summary of the law:

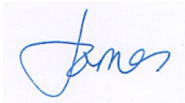
Mark 12:²⁹ "The most important one," answered Jesus, "is this: 'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one.' ³⁰ Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' ³¹ The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' There is no commandment greater than these."

Third, we will make use of our MATURE acrostic to think through what this looks like in practice:

Meeting God Daily
Attending Church weekly
Taking the small group challenge
Using God given gifts and resources
Reaching out in love
Evangelistically active

So keep these things in mind, as we think together on what it means to be devoted to God and devoted to one another.

Yours in Christ,



Coming Up

Tea, Cake & Chat. Come and join us between 2pm and 3.30pm for our monthly get together 20th May 2019.

Men's Reading Group

On Wednesday 15th May, the men's reading group at St Alkmund's will be meeting. We will be meeting at the church hall from 7.45pm, to discuss Tim Keller's book: Making Sense of God. If you are interested, or want more information, do speak to James.

Christianity Explored - Taster Session

Join us 9th May 7.45pm in St Alkmund's Church Hall. Do be inviting friends. If anyone can help with providing snacks, please talk to David Barnsley, or the Church office. Thank you.

The Wall of Answered Prayer - A National Landmark of Hope – to remind generations of God's goodness

A design competition has been running for about 2 years and with the land now secured they aim to begin building the 'Wall' and also the associated visitor centre with a 24/7 prayer room, in 2020.

For more information, visit www.thewall.org.uk. <https://www.thewall.org.uk/news> or the Facebook entry <https://en-gb.facebook.com/TheWallOfAnsweredPrayer/>.

Our own Luke Macnab and his friend Andy are among the shortlisted designs, which you can view on the above links.

"Whether or not Luke and Andy win the competition it has been great to hear how they have been able to give expression to their faith in the design of the landmark. Please pray for all involved in the project that the eventual design is worthy of the aims.

We look forward to the announcement of the site and final design in May."

Murray and Rachel Macnab

Lunch time concert

The next Lunch time concert will be Wednesday 22nd (not 20th as previously advertised) May 1pm in church on the theme of "Being Grateful".

"It's Your Move" - Prayer Morning

Every year the DCC buy a booklet called "It's your move" for Year 6 pupils going up to Secondary School. Please do be praying and join the team for prayer and a coffee to commit these youngsters to prayer as they make this big step in their lives.

Prayers

For those who are ill: Pam Barber (friend of Joy Hall), Hazel Gilman; Doreen Curl; Glan Evans; Norman Wainwright; Laura (a friend of Joanna Saunders); Maurice Shenton (now in a home); Marie-Claire Carswell; Susan Slawson; Graham Newton; Florence Owen; Frank Robinson; Bob MacCracken; Donna Hanson; and Roisin and Josh & Siobhan her Mummy and Daddy (Roisin is Carol & Mike Harries-Wood's Granddaughter).

Ministry Team Prayer Diary.

Please include these in your prayers this week.

Tuesday 7th May Helen & Carys at C.U. at Ecclesbourne. Joint youth groups social

Wednesday 8th May Helen attending Youth Leaders' meeting

Take Note

Advanced Notice

Our Church Garden party will be held on Sunday 16th June starting at 3pm. Please keep the date free, and be praying that we will be able to welcome many from the village as we help to kick off the Carnival proceedings. There will be opportunities to volunteer and sign up sheets will be appearing before too long. Thank you.

Opportunities to Serve

Annual Church Spring Clean

The Spring Clean will be on Saturday 11th May from 9.30am to 12noon. We would appreciate help from members of the congregation, to carry out extra, in depth, cleaning. Come for half an hour or an hour to suit, and coffee/tea plus biscuits will be served.

Christianity Explored

David is looking for people to prepare and serve refreshments for this course. If you would like to go on the rota please see David.

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.

Service outlines for today 5th May

Morning Service 10am

Songs At the name of Jesus,
Come behold the wondrous mystery

Confession

Notices & Banns

Children's slot Loving God

Children's Song Our God is a great Big God

OT reading Psalm 1 (pg 537 or 494 in lg print)

Prayers

NT reading Ephesians 1:15-23 (pg 1175 or 1079 lg print)

Creed

Song Come O Fount

Sermon

Hymn Be thou my vision

First Sunday Special 6.30pm

Notices

Song Who can know

Confession and prayers

Reading Luke 1:1-4 (pg 855 in the church bibles)

Sermon "Can We Trust the Bible?" *James Hughes*

Song Where else have we to go

Refreshments and Musical interlude

Questions

Dates for your Diary.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
6th May Bank Holiday, office closed	7th May 9.15am Morning Prayer 7.30pm Ignition 8pm Men's 5-aside at Ecclesbourne School	8th May 10am Ladies Bible Studies Growth Groups*	9th May 10.30am "It's your move" prayer morning at 42 Chestnut Close. 7.30pm Christianity Explored Course 7.45pm Music Practice	10th May	11th May	12th May 8am Communion at St Paul's 10am Morning Service 6.30pm Communion
13th May 10am Babes & Bouncers 2pm Songs of Praise 7pm Impact	14th May 9.15am Morning Prayer 7.30pm Ignition 8pm Men's 5-aside at Ecclesbourne School	15th May 7.45pm Men's Group	16th May 7.30pm Christianity Explored Course 7.45pm Music Practice	17th May 3.30pm Wedding in church	18th May	19th May 8am Communion at All Saints Chapel 10am Communion 6.30pm Evening Service
20th May 10am Babes & Bouncers 2pm to 3.30pm Coffee/ Tea, Cake & Chat 7pm Impact	21st May 9.15am Morning Prayer 7.30pm Ignition 8pm Men's 5 A-side at Ecclesbourne School	22nd May 10am Ladies Bible Study 1pm Lunchtime Concert Growth Groups*	23rd May 7.30pm Christianity Explored Course 7.45pm Music Practice	24th May	25th May	26th May 8am Communion at St Alkmund's 10am Morning Service 6.30pm Communion
27th May Half Term Bank Holiday, office closed	28th May	29th May	30th May Office closed	31st May Office Closed	1st June	2nd June 8am Communion at All Saints Chapel 10am Morning Service 5.30pm Salt Café 6.30pm First Sunday Special

* See leaders for details