

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 (term time only).

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

Youth and Children's Ministry Training Course

This is an 8 week course starting on 3rd October at St Mary's Church Chaddesden. It is for anyone involved in, or interested in, working with children & teenagers.

The course includes:

Bible Foundations: What does the Bible say about working with young people?

Bible Tools: How do we go about teaching a Bible passage?

Cultural Analysis: How does the Gospel apply to young people?

To sign up contact Matt Simper on 07734 820257 or email

matt@chaddesdanchurch.org.uk

Michael and the Topsy Turvy Kingdom

Fun free evening for children up to 11 years old (Colin Buchanan type concert) at Trinity Church Buxton on 7th September 6pm to 7.15pm. For information see their website www.trinitybuxton.org.uk



St Alkmund's Duffield Parish Church

Weekly News 19th August 2018

Today's services - Sunday 19th August

8am	Matins	All Saints Chapel
10am	Morning Praise	Hopeless (Psalm 12)
6.30pm	Evening Service	Signs (Luke 11:24-36)

Next Sunday (26th August)

8am	Holy Communion	St Alkmund's
10am	Morning Praise	When? (Psalm 13)
6.30pm	Holy Communion	Woes (Luke 11:37-54)

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*

For more information see:

www.stalkmundsduffield.co.uk

Facebook: St Alkmund's Church Duffield

Twitter: @StAlksDuffield

Call the office on 01332 840536 (open Monday-Friday 9.30am-3pm)

Parish Safeguarding Link: Jonathan & Ruth Saunders 07709002996
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The Vicarage
19th August 2018

Dear Friends,

This week I want say a little bit more about this Autumn's course, ***The Way, the Truth and The Life***, which begins on **Thursday 20th September**.

I few weeks ago, in my reflections on GAFCON, I noted how faithful Anglicans seek to listen to God's word, and we recognise that we have the creeds and documents like the 39 Articles to help us to do that. As Anglicans we recognise that '*it is not lawful for the Church to ordain any thing that is contrary to God's Word written*' (Article 20) and that church councils '*may err, and sometimes have erred, even in things pertaining unto God*' (Article 21). (You can find the 39 articles at <https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/worship-texts-and-resources/book-common-prayer/articles-religion#XX> or find a copy at the back of church). So as faithful Anglicans, we stick to God's Word.

But do we know why the creeds say what they say? And what about the 39 articles? Other than there being 39 of them, do we have much sense of what they are? And how do we make sure we stick close to God's word, in word and deed?

This autumn, in ***The Way, the Truth and the Life***, we'll be looking together at the Lord's Prayer, the Ten Commandments and The Creed as we think about what we believe and what difference that makes to how we live. We will make use of the 39 articles and some of the reformed catechisms to help us to understand our faith better. We will get to know ***the truth*** about our Faith, so that we are better equipped to understand this ourselves and communicate this to others. We will reflect on ***the life*** we are to live as followers of Jesus Christ, as we come daily before 'our Father in heaven'. We will think about ***the way*** that we are to walk, as those who are to love God with our whole heart mind and strength, and to love our neighbours as ourselves.

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.

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

There is an update letter from Graeme & Bequi Innes on the notice board in the foyer.

Prayers

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; Graham and Elizabeth Newton.

For those who have been recently bereaved. Especially for Mervyn and family.

Take Note

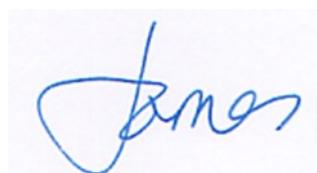
GDPR consent forms. These need to be completed and handed in to the office ASAP, as we begin to sort out who wishes to be contact, in which way, and begin the put together a church directory. Please ensure that all forms, are ticked as appropriate, and signed (or emailed) before being handed into the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

Morning Prayer Morning prayer (Tuesdays at 9.15am) will be taking a break until 4th September.

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/parenting-with-purpose-hours-in-the-week>

Some of you have already indicated that you are going to join me for this course, but there is plenty of time to let us know you are coming – email me, or the office. Even if you have not done one of our courses before, this is an excellent place to start, as we seek to draw closer to God in Christ together.

Yours in Christ

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "James".

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.

Dates for your Diary.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
20th August School Summer Holidays	21st August	22nd August	23rd August	24th August	25th August	26th August 8am Communion St Alkmund's 10am Morning Service 6.30pm Communion
27th August School Summer Holidays	28th August	29th August	30th August	31st August	1st September	2nd September 8am Communion All saints 10am Morning Service 6.30pm First Sunday Special
3rd September 2pm Songs of Praise	4th September 9.15am Morning Prayer	5th September 8pm Prayer Meeting	6th September	7th September	8th September	9th September 8am Communion St Paul's 10am Morning Service 6.30pm Communion
10th September 10am Babes and Bouncers 7pm Impact	11th September 9.15am Morning Prayer	12th September 10am Ladies Bible Study	13th September	14th September	15th September	16th September 8am Communion All Saints 10am Communion 6.30pm Evening Service