

## Youth and Children's Work at St Alkmund's

### Sunday by Sunday

This term in our youth groups we're learning the meanings of lots of big words from the Bible that end in "Shun". From Creation to Regeneration we're discovering the amazing riches found in God's salvation plan for us.

Over the term the two youth groups will be competing in writing a poem that explains the meaning of each word that they learn, so if you need to brush up on your terms, go check out our youth board in the hall!

This term in Fuel our young people are exploring God's word in the Psalms, where both assurance, deep emotions and wisdom can be found.

And in Sparks we are continuing our journey through the Exodus, learning about how God rescues His people.

Sunday club are also investigating passages from the Old Testament this term, looking at Genesis and 1 and 2 Samuel.

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



# St Alkmund's Duffield Parish Church

## Weekly News 14th October 2018

### Today's services - Sunday 14th October

8am	Holy Communion	St Paul's
10am	Morning Service	Sojourners & Exiles (1 Peter 2:11-17)
6.30pm	Holy Communion	True Authority (Deuteronomy 17:14 - 18:22)

### Next Sunday (21ST October)

8am	Holy Communion	All Saints Chapel
10am	Holy Communion	Our Example of Submission (1 Peter 2:18-25)
6.30pm	Confirmation Service	

*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:

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The Vicarage  
14<sup>th</sup> October 2018

Dear Friends,

Okay, so this week's letter comes with a little bit of an apology at the beginning. Because yes, I agree it is only October, but we do need to talk about **planning for Christmas**. I promise after this week I won't mention it for a while – but there are some things we can do.

First, do make a note of when our Christmas services are, and think who you might be able to invite to them. Our two **Carol services** on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> and Monday 24<sup>th</sup> December (both at 6.30pm), are a really good opportunity to bring friends along to a service which will have Christmas music (the 24<sup>th</sup> is the more traditional of the two), but also an opportunity to really explore what Christmas is all about. We have a number of services targeted at Children and families: Our **Christingle** at 5pm on 16<sup>th</sup> December, our **Nativity** service at 10.30am on 23<sup>rd</sup> December, and the two **Crib** services on the 24<sup>th</sup> December (3pm & 4.30pm). The Nativity is a great opportunity for children to join in, and the Christingle a great way of reminding ourselves of the gospel – so do think and pray about who you might invite. And don't forget to join us on **Christmas Day!**

Second, there are various ways in which you can get involved. We are always looking for people to help **stewarding** at all our services, particularly at the school services in the run up to Christmas, and you

### **Kitchen Elf!**

Could you help organise the kitchen in the hall? We are looking for someone who could devise a system to make keeping the kitchen easier to keep tidy. If you can help see James.

### **Coming Up**

**Tea, Cake & Chat.** New group, which started last month. Come along to get together on the third Monday of the month in the church hall. Next meeting at 2pm on 15th October.

### **Confirmation Tea**

Before Confirmation service on 21st October at 5pm, we will be having a bring and share tea. Bring along a plate of food to share and enjoy fellowship with one another and the candidates who are being confirmed. There will also be an opportunity to meet Bishop Rod Thomas.

**Churchyard work-in.** Saturday 27th October from 9am. Working party to get all those little jobs done before the winter really sets in.

### **A Dickens of a Christmas**

On Saturday 24th November, The DCC Homelessness group are proud to announce that they will be hosting a performance by Mike Severn & friends of "A Dickens of A Christmas". This will be at 7.30pm in St Alkmund's Church and seasonal refreshments will be available in the hall. Come along as we look at an age-old story; sing some timeless traditional carols. Tickets are £7 and can be bought from a member of the Homelessness group, or on the door.

### **Artificial Intelligence & The Future of Humanity.**

Woodlands Evangelical Church 24th November 7.30pm. John Wyatt is Emeritus Professor of Neonatal Paediatrics at UCL. For more details go to [www.woodlandschurch.org.uk](http://www.woodlandschurch.org.uk).

**10 of Those** will be coming on 25th November to do a bookstall. Lots of good reads for the long winter evenings or for Christmas presents.

## Prayers

**For those who are ill:** Hazel Gilman; Doreen Curl; Glan Evans; Brenda Norreys; Norman Wainwright (now in a home); Laura (a friend of Joanna Saunders); Maurice Shenton (now in a home); Marie-Claire Carswell; Susan Slawson; Graham Newton; & Florence Owen (following a stroke).

**For those who have been recently bereaved.**

**Ministry Team Prayer Diary.** Please include these in your prayers this week.

**Sunday 14th:**The Youth Band are leading the worship tonight.

**Monday 15th:** James is leading an assembly at William Gilbert's

**Tuesday 16th:** James is attending a Church Society 24hour meeting.

**Sunday 21st:** Our Confirmation Service with Bishop Rod.

## Take Note

**8am services at St Paul's.** From December to February the 8am service on the 2nd Sunday of the month will be at All Saints chapel, not St Paul's.

## Opportunities to Serve

### Parish Magazine Ideas

What would you like to see in the Parish Magazine?

Can you contribute in any way? We would love to hear from you. Speak to Jeff, Anna, or Pamela, or email [duffieldparishmag@gmail.com](mailto:duffieldparishmag@gmail.com)

### Remembrance Sunday Helpers Needed.

Helen is looking for help with various crafts for Remembrance Sunday in the hall. If you could help in anyway, please could you let her know by 21st October. Thank you.

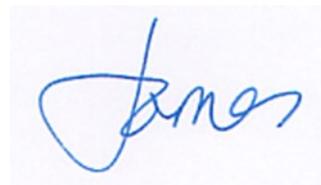
### Helpers needed for the Christmas Craft Evening.

Kirsty is looking for a team of people to help with setting up, making nibbles, preparing crafts, (for which recipes and materials will be provided), preparing bags to give to participants, to lead a craft table, serve drinks and nibbles on the night and to sell tickets. Please also be thinking of who you could invite. Contact Kirsty on 07807 019612 or [kirstyjhughes@btinternet.com](mailto:kirstyjhughes@btinternet.com)

will see elsewhere in the new sheet information about getting involved in the **Ladies Craft Evening**. Christmas is a great opportunity to talk about Jesus, so we can all be **praying** for the events that we have planned: that events will run smoothly; that they won't be adversely affected by bad weather; that we will communicate the gospel of Jesus Christ in a way which is clear; and that God will work through all that we say and do.

So I promise I won't mention Christmas again, at least not for a bit. But let's get planning for the opportunities which lie ahead.

Yours in Christ



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
<p><b>15th October</b>  <b>10am</b> Babes &amp; Bouncers</p> <p><b>2pm</b> Tea, Cake &amp; Chat</p> <p><b>7pm</b> Impact</p>	<p><b>16th October</b>  <b>9.15am</b> Morning Prayer</p> <p><b>7.30pm</b> Ignition</p> <p><b>8pm</b> Men's 5 A-side Ecclesbourne School</p>	<p><b>17th October</b></p>	<p><b>18th October</b>  <b>10am</b> The Way, The Truth &amp; The Life Course</p> <p><b>7.30pm</b> The Way, The Truth &amp; The Life Course</p>	<p><b>19th October</b></p>	<p><b>20th October</b></p>	<p><b>21st October</b>  <b>8am</b> Communion All Saints  <b>10am</b> Communion <i>Sunday Club &amp; Fuel</i>  <b>5pm</b> Bring &amp; share tea  <b>6.30pm</b> Confirmation Service</p>
<p><b>22nd October</b>  <b>10am</b> Babes &amp; Bouncers</p> <p><b>7am</b> Impact</p>	<p><b>23rd October</b>  <b>9.15am</b> Morning Prayer</p> <p><b>7.30pm</b> Ignition</p> <p><b>8pm</b> Men's 5 A-side at Ecclesbourne School</p>	<p><b>24th October</b>  <b>10am</b> Ladies Bible Study</p> <p>Growth Groups</p>	<p><b>25th October</b>  <b>10am</b> The Way, The Truth &amp; The Life Course</p> <p><b>7.30pm</b> The Way, The Truth &amp; The Life Course</p> <p><b>7.45pm</b> Music Practice</p>	<p><b>26th October</b></p>	<p><b>27th October</b>  <b>9am</b> Church yard work-in</p>	<p><b>28th October</b>  <b>8am</b> Communion St Alkmund's  <b>10am</b> Morning Service <i>Sunday Club &amp; Fuel</i>  <b>6.30pm</b> Holy Communion</p>
<p><b>29th October</b>  Schools on half term—  No Youth Activities this week.</p>	<p><b>30th October</b>  NO Morning Prayer due to Half term</p>	<p><b>31st October</b></p>	<p><b>1st November</b></p>	<p><b>2nd November</b></p>	<p><b>3rd November</b>  <b>10am</b> Midland's Men's Convention at Cornerstone Church</p>	<p><b>4th November</b>  <b>8am</b> Communion at All Saints  <b>10am</b> Morning Service <i>Sparks &amp; Fuel</i>  <b>6.30pm</b> First Sunday Special</p>
<p><b>5th November</b>  <b>10am</b> Babes &amp; Bouncers</p> <p><b>7pm</b> Impact</p>	<p><b>6th November</b>  <b>9.15am</b> Morning Prayer</p> <p><b>7.30pm</b> Ignition</p> <p><b>8pm</b> Men's 5 A-side at Ecclesbourne School</p>	<p><b>7th November</b>  <b>8pm</b> Prayer Meeting</p>	<p><b>8th November</b>  <b>10am</b> The Way, The Truth &amp; The Life Course</p> <p><b>7.30pm</b> The Way, The Truth &amp; The Life Course</p>	<p><b>9th November</b></p>	<p><b>10th November</b>  <b>10am</b> Deanery Synod Event</p>	<p><b>11th November</b>  <b>8am</b> Communion at St Paul's  <b>10.45am</b> Remembrance service  <b>5.30pm</b> Special Remembrance Service (See red flyers at the back)</p>