

# CONFIRMATION SERVICE

Please come and support Edward Poole as he is Confirmed by Bishop Paul on Sunday 6th November at the 10am Service.

## Parent & Toddler Group

OUR PARENT AND TODDLER GROUP CONTINUES TO MEET EVERY MONDAY DURING TERM TIME AT 1pm.



## SOUTHERN DIOCESE RETREAT



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## SUNDAY SERVICES

10am ~ Morning Service

11:30am ~ Family Praise

6pm ~ Evening Prayer

Holy Communion 1st am and 3rd pm Services

Our Southern Diocese Retreat was held at High Leigh last week. Ask any of the 14 members who attended from St Andrew's and they are sure to tell you what a refreshing time we had. Visiting speakers included the Revd James Paice from the SW19 Church and we had two nights of entertainment by the Theatre Company 'Selah'. There is no room here to do justice but needless to say that we have already booked the 2017 Retreat from 23rd to 26th October. Book now! It's not too early.

## SUNDAY LESSONS LOG

30th Oct - Psalm 119:137-144 or 32:1-7; Isaiah 1:10-18 or Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4; 2 Thess 1:1-4, 11-12; Luke 19:1-10 am L-Mark, P-Daniel; pm SONGS OF PRAISE

6th November - Psalm 98; Haggai 1:15b-2:9 or Job 19:223-27a; 2Thess 2:1-5, 13-17; Luke 20:27-38 am L-Paul, P-Bishop (CONFIRMATION); pm L-Bishop, P-Paul

## WEEKLY PRAYER UPDATE

- Lord, we pray for **Pamela** with her poorly eyesight, her daughter, **Chrissie**, and great grandson **Finley**, and members and friends - **Judy, Audrey, Pam, Hilary** and **Elizabeth**.
- Remember **Winnie** who has not been at all well recently thankfully the swelling to her knee is a little better.
- Lord, we pray for both **Arline and Ernie** as they battle on.
- Please pray for the worship team **Nigel, and the Revd Paul, the Revd Mark and the Revd Colin and Bishop Paul**.
- Continue to pray for **Lewis Robinson, Frank and Janet**.
- Pray for **Dean's sister, Molly**, who is still very poorly.
- Please remember **Doreen**. Her brake is not mending following a fall and Jimmy says she continues to be rather poorly.
- Please pray for **Lil Harrison** in Manor House, Willenhall. She was not very well last week and on bed rest.
- Pray for our twinned church - **St Francis, Shoreham-by-Sea**.
- **Colin Davis'** skin condition is sadly back to square one.
- Pray for the **Revd Robert Leone and Sarah**, his wife and all at **St Martin's Church** in France.
- Pray for **Jennie Parsons** of our Family Praise who has MS.
- Remember **John and Joy Eustice's** young grandson, **Harvey** who's operation is now planned for the 11th November. Pray that Harvey's operation will be a success and then pain-free.
- Continue to pray for **Bishop Kenneth Powell and Edna**.
- Please pray for **Tom and Sarah** in Malawi.
- Remember **Ted** in your prayers. He is doing very well following his recent operation. Pray his troublesome nose bleeds stop.
- Please pray for both **Robert and Barbara Wilson**. Thankfully Barbara is now out of hospital.
- Pray for **Daniel's** family and his future career. **Dot** has not been well with her hand and his dad, **David** has been poorly too.
- Please keep **Doris** and the family in your prayers.
- Pray **Revd Colin's** eyes will remain stabilised.
- Pray for **Sylvia** who is still rather poorly at present, but looked well when Dan took her a harvest gift recently.
- Give thanks **Terry's** shoulder is a little bit better.
- Pray for **Frances** who, following a Mastectomy is now having Chemotherapy at Cannock Hospital.
- Pray for **Mrs Ball** who is now sadly house bound.
- Pray for **Edward** as he gets Confirmed next week at 10am.
- Please remember **Deanne** in your prayers as some members of her family are going through a rather rough time at present.
- Give thanks for the **Southern Diocese Synod & Retreat** which took place last week at High Leigh Conference Centre.
- Pray for **Margaret** following a fall recently and was badly shaken up. May she be feeling much better very soon.
- Please pray for all the churches around the Diocese. **St Jude's** Walsall; **Emmanuel**, Birmingham; **Christ Church**, Harlesden; **Christ Church**, Exeter; **Christ Church**, Exmouth; **Christ Church**, Willesborough; **St Jude's**, Balham; **Christ Church**, Broadstairs; **St Francis**, Shoreham and **St Andrew's**.
- Remember to pray for the family of **Patricia Irene Meek** who was 71 years old. Her funeral takes place at Bushbury Crematorium (West Chapel) on Thursday at 3:45pm.



**BE A PRAYER WARRIOR!**  
 Would you like to be a Prayer Warrior? Prayer is vital for the spiritual health of our church. Please remember to add all those on this prayer sheet to your own family and friends prayers - daily!

Thank God that though our churches may look and feel very different, He shares in God's grace.

## The Bible Character Alphabet - U is for Uriah

"When David heard that Uriah had not gone home, he summoned him and asked, 'What's the matter? Why didn't you go home last night after being away for so long?' Uriah replied, 'The Ark and the armies of Israel and Judah are living in tents, and Joab and my master's men are camping in the open fields. How could I go home to wine and dine and sleep with my wife? I swear that I would never do such a thing.' 'Well, stay here today,' David told him, 'and tomorrow you may return to the army.' So Uriah stayed in Jerusalem that day and the next. Then David invited him to dinner and got him drunk. But even then he couldn't get Uriah to go home to his wife. Again he slept at the palace entrance with the king's palace guard."

### 2 Samuel 11:11-13

While Uriah the Hittite had been at the wars, King David had committed adultery with his wife and got her pregnant. David had Uriah sent back to him on a pretext so he could get him to sleep with his wife so the child would appear to be Uriah's. The plan failed so David sent him back and in effect had him murdered on the front line of battle. The story of Uriah's death is cruel and unfair and stands witness to the fact that innocent people get harmed in a sin-sick world by the plans of others who carry out sinful acts for which there are no excuses. When people are killed such as tourists, volunteers, aid workers, missionaries, doctors, nurses, news correspondents or other non-combatants by the actions of terrorists, states or individuals it also seems so unfair. It is unfair, which is why everybody needs a Saviour.



### FUNGI INVASION!

Have a look around the church gardens today and you will see that while we have been away at the Southern Diocese Retreat the gardens have had an outbreak of several types of Fungi. I am never sure and could not be confident to know if these are edible mushrooms or poisonous ones. Better not touch them unless you are sure, is my motto. The left hand ones are found in the lawn and around the tree stump in the rear hall garden and the rather brighter one in the front garden. If you can identify them, then please let Bishop Paul know as soon as possible.



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