



CELEBRATING AUDREY'S LIFE
Audrey Mary Page's funeral will take place at St Andrew's Church on Thursday 26th January at 1:30pm. Please do come if you are able and support the family. The service at church will be followed by cremation at Streetly Crematorium. Further details will be published after Bishop Paul has seen the family on Wednesday.

Dealing with the devil (3)

'If you are the Son of God, jump off!' - Matthew 4:6

The Bible says, 'The devil took him...to the highest point of the Temple, and said, "If you are the Son of God, jump off! For the Scriptures say, "He will order his angels to protect you. And they will hold you up with their hands so you won't even hurt your foot on a stone."' Jesus responded, "The Scriptures also say, "You must not test the LORD your God"" (vv. 5-7). Notice, Satan will misquote the Scriptures. So when you do battle with



him you need to be able to say as Jesus did, 'The Scriptures also say.' Jesus defeated Satan by using Scripture correctly - and that's a secret Satan hopes you never discover. So arm yourself with God's Word. Load your pistol with Scriptures and keep your finger on

the trigger. Notice where this temptation took place: in church [the temple]! 'If you are the Son of God, jump off!' In church, of all places, Satan will urge you to do tricks, impress others with your service, make a show of your faith, call attention to your good deeds, and manipulate your way into a position of prominence. God has called you to be a servant, not a star. Kneel, don't strut. 'God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble. So humble yourselves under the mighty power of God, and at the right time he will lift you up in honour' (1 Peter 5:5-6). When Satan told Jesus to jump into the arms of God, Jesus refused. Not because God wouldn't catch Him, but because He didn't have to prove anything to anyone, much less the devil. And you don't either.

Parent & Toddlers

OUR PARENT AND TODDLER GROUP IS BACK ON MONDAY. THEY MEET BETWEEN 1pm & 2:30pm. ALL WELCOME.



IN MEMORIAM
Mrs Barbara Wilson
Beloved wife of the Revd Robert Wilson

Called home to be with her Lord and Saviour on Thursday at 5pm.

Please keep all the family, especially Robert in your prayers. Barbara was a well-respected member of the Southern Diocese and beyond. It is hoped that Barbara's funeral will be on a Saturday, but it is too early to say yet, but if you want to join Bishop Paul at the service in London in support of Robert, please let him know. You may remember that Barbara made many of the ordination cakes for Paul and Mark and others.

BISHOP PAUL



BAPTISM
Last Sunday we had the Baptism of Faith Elizabeth Hancocks pictured here with her mom and dad, Samuel and Jodie and God-parents' Zoe, Martin, Matthew and Stacey. The

Revd Mark did the Baptism and Bishop and Matthew played their chosen



songs which were - Welcome to the Family and Shine, Jesus, Shine. The top two photos were sent from their photographer, Tina who works at Streetly Crematorium. It was also Faith's fourth birthday on 4th January making it a double celebration - I wonder if that means Bishop Paul gets twice as much cake!

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FAMILY PRAISE LEADER

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SUNDAY SERVICES

10am ~ Morning Service

11:30am ~ Family Praise

6pm ~ Evening Prayer

Holy Communion 1st am and 3rd pm Services

Mid-week activities:

MONDAYS	10am to 1pm	Coffee and Chat
	* 1pm to 2:30pm	Parent and Toddler Group
	5:30pm	Weight Watchers
	7:30pm	Willenhall Operatic
TUESDAYS	* 9:30am	Bentley West Ladies Group
*Term-time only	10am to 1pm	Bishop in Denom. Office
	3pm, 5pm, 7pm	Slimming World
	7pm	Bible Study - Church House
WEDNESDAYS	7:30am	Prayer Group
	12:30pm	Luncheon Club
	2pm	Friendship Club
	7pm to 8:30pm	Youth Club (5 to 11yrs)
THURSDAYS	11am	Holy Communion
	10am to 1pm	Bishop in Denom. Office
	6pm	Karate Class
	7pm to 9pm	STAND Class
FRIDAYS	7:30pm	Willenhall Operatic
SATURDAYS	10am to 1pm	Saturday Workshop

SUNDAY LESSONS LOG

15th January - Psalm 40:1-11; Isaiah 49:1-7
1 Corinthians 1:1-9; John 1:29-42
am L-Paul, P-Colin; pm L-Mark, P-Paul
(Bishop is in Exeter for the licensing of Lazlo Flores)
22nd January - Psalm 27:1,4-9; Isaiah 9:1-4
1 Corinthians 1:10-18; Matthew 4:12-23
am Mark; pm L-Mark, P-Colin
(Bishop is in Christ Church, Broadstairs)

WEEKLY PRAYER UPDATE

- Lord, we pray for **Pamela** with her poorly eyesight, **Chrissie** and **Finley**, and friends - **Judy, Pam, Hilary** and **Elizabeth**.
- Remember **Winnie** who has not been very well recently.
- 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** and **Jimmy**.*
- Please pray for **Lil Harrison** in Manor House, Willenhall.
- Pray for our twinned church - **St Francis, Shoreham-by-Sea**.
- 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.
- Continue to give thanks that young **Harvey** is very much better and that **the Revd John Eustice** has been given the all clear.
- Continue to pray for **Bishop Kenneth Powell** and **Edna**.
- Please pray for **the Revd Robert Wilson** following the sad loss of Barbara last week. Lord, be with Robert in his moments of loneliness and help all his family at this time in their grief.
- Pray for **Daniel's** family. His Nan, **Dot** who after having the cast removed from her hand is making a good recovery. There are good signs about movement and sensitivity. Thank you, Lord.
- Please keep **Doris** and her Sciatica problems in your prayers. She has been in a lot of pain again. Pray it will be eased as we are all missing her at church.
- Pray **Revd Colin's** eyes will remain stabilised.
- Pray for **Sylvia** in the Winehala Court Home.
- Pray for **Terry** whose shoulder remains rather painful. He is scheduled to have a replacement shoulder in about three months time.
- Pray for **Frances** as she continues to have Chemotherapy.
- Pray for **Mrs Ball** who is now sadly house bound.
- Keep **Deanne** in your prayers. She has not been well recently.
- Pray for the family of **Baby Harley James Steel** who was sadly Stillborn on Tues 3rd January. Pray especially for mom, **Lorna**. Harley's funeral is in St Andrew's on Thursday 9th Feb - 10am.
- Thank you for the prayers for **Bishop Paul** in dealing with all the problems around the Diocese at present. Continue to pray!
- Please pray for **Russell Fenn** in Exmouth who has been rather poorly recently. Pray for the **Christ Church Leadership Team** as they pull together to maintain the services there.
- Pray for the family of **Ethel Joan Wright** who was 96. Her funeral took place at Streetly on Monday.
- Pray for the family of **Margaret Ann Salter** who was 93. Her funeral took place at Bushbury last Wednesday.
- Remember the family of **Audrey Page**. Remember Audrey's daughters, Lisa, Sharon and all the family. Her funeral will be in St Andrew's on Thursday 26th January at 1:30pm.
- 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**, Bentley.
- Pray for **Bishop John Fenwick** as he travels to New Zealand and Australia. Lord, keep him and **Lis** safe.



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

Be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might, Put on the full armour of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

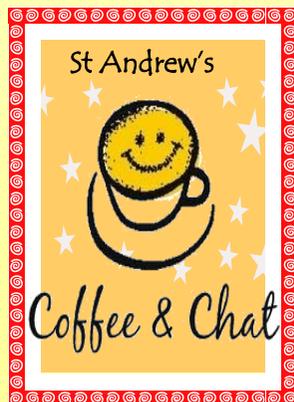
Dealing with the devil (4)

The devil took Him up on an exceedingly high mountain.'
 Matthew 4:8

The Bible says: 'The devil took Him up on an exceedingly high mountain, and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. And he said to Him, "All these things I will give You if You will fall down and worship me." Then Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan!...You shall worship the LORD your God, and Him only you shall serve"' (vv. 8-10). Paraphrased: Satan said to Jesus, 'If you serve me I'll help you rise to the top.' When your ultimate ambition is to glorify God, you're being led by God. But when your ultimate ambition is to glorify yourself, you're being led by Satan. And he'll appeal to your pride, for pride is at the very core of his being. His fall from heaven was preceded by these lofty aspirations: 'I will ascend to heaven; I will raise my throne above the stars of God; I will sit enthroned on the mount of assembly, on the utmost heights of the sacred mountain. I will ascend above the tops of the clouds; I will make myself like the Most High' (Isaiah 14:13-14). Satan wants to take God's place, but God isn't moving. Satan covets God's throne, but God isn't abdicating. Satan wants to win you to his side, but God will never let you go. The truth is: you can't defeat Satan in your own strength, but you don't have to. The Bible says, 'Let us...feel very sure that we can come before God's throne where there is grace. There we can receive mercy and grace to help us when we need it' (Hebrews 4:16)



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COFFEE & CHAT

The Coffee & Chat Shop will be open for business tomorrow as usual. Come and enjoy the chat and a specialised coffee or the best Bishop's Brew in Bentley! Toast is always available with jam or marmalade or just butter.

This is a community project compliments of St Andrew's Church. You will, as always, be made very welcome. Thank you to all those regular supporters, you are much appreciated by Colin, Janet, Sue and the Bishop. Come and join us!

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 After the Epiphany

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