



TIMBER!
We spent £450 on the trimming and removal of trees to improve the light and visibility of the church. The rear garden tree line has now been reduced to about ten feet in height and the rather ugly conifer in the front garden



has been removed. This was planted some thirty years ago. Who would have thought it would grow to be a monster. The difference it has made to the approach of the church from Willenhall is amazing. You can



actually see the whole of the church now. The downside is that the little respite from the sun is no more and the rain may actually get to the grass now.

St Andrew's
Open for a little:
TEA
LAUGHTER
CHAT

COFFEE & CHAT
The Coffee & Chat TLC will be OPEN tomorrow as normal. Come and join us for a chat and a specialised coffee or the best Bishop's Brew in Bentley! Toast is always available with jam or marmalade or just butter. You will be made very welcome. Why not bring a friend? The church is always open for you to pray for family members, friends or the world around us.



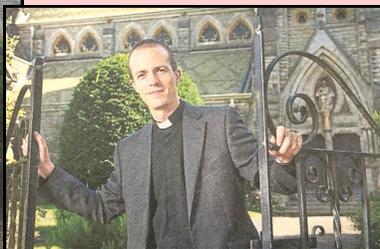
Adult Baptism.
Here is Lisa's Mom, Lisa and sister, Rachael, following her baptism last Sunday afternoon. Lisa Elaine Care will be auntie to baby Lottie Lawrence who is being baptised in church today at 1pm. Lisa



and Sam will be married in St Andrew's church next July. It seems a long way off but this year is racing away.



Emmanuel Anglican Church
The Revd Pete Sanlon's Church of England church is pictured here. Bishop Paul visited Pete and the Trustees of EAC last Thursday and was thankful for Matthew's company on the long journey home.



Willenhall Musical Theatre Company
PRESENTS : A NIGHT OF
Magical Musicals
SATURDAY
29th SEPTEMBER
6:30pm
PRICE ~ £6.50
INCLUDES FISH & CHIPS
(Alternatives available upon request)

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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
	7:30pm	Willenhall Operatic
TUESDAYS	* 9:30am	Bentley West Ladies Group
	10am to 1pm	Bishop in Denom. Office
* term-time only	3pm, 5pm, 7pm	Slimming World
WEDNESDAYS	7pm	Bible Study at St Jude's
	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
	1pm to 2pm	Keep Dancing
FRIDAYS	7:30pm	Willenhall Operatic
SATURDAYS	10:30am to 1pm	Saturday Workshop
SUNDAY SERVICES		SEE ABOVE FOR DETAILS

SUNDAY LESSONS LOG
26th August - Psalm 84; 1 Kings 8:22-30, 41-43 or Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18; Ephesians 6:10-20; John 6:56-69
am L-Daniel, P-Bishop; pm L-Paul, P-Mark
2nd September - Psalm 45:1-2,6-9 or 15; Song of Solomon 2:8-13 or Deuteronomy 4:1-2,6-9 James 1:17-27; Mark 7:1-8,14-15, 21-23

WEEKLY PRAYER UPDATE

- Lord, we pray for **Pamela, Chrissie and Finley**, and friends - **Judy, Pam, Hilary, Elizabeth, Frances, Mrs Ball, Belle (who is now a little better), Peter, Lucy, Auntie Iris, June and Frank.**
- We pray for **Arline and Ernie.** Lord, we thank you for their commitment to St Andrew's and their continued generosity today and over so many years. Lord, keep them strong.
- *Pray for our leaders* **Revds Paul, Mark, Colin, Bp Paul & Nigel!**
- Pray for **Lil Harrison** in Manor House. Daniel, Bishop Paul and Colin and Mike have visited her this last week. Sadly she is not eating and is very frail.
- Pray for the **Revd Robert** and **Sarah** now returned to France.
- Pray for **Jennie Parsons** of our Family Praise who has MS and for **June & Reg Foster** who have been so poorly recently.
- Pray for **Bishop Kenneth Powell** and **Edna.**
- Pray for **Dot.** She has not been well recently.
- Pray for **Mary Hardwick's** hand (from the am service). Pray the operation she is to have will relieve the pain.
- Keep **Doris** in your prayers. Thank you Lord, she's stronger.
- *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; Emmanuel, Tunbridge Wells, St Peter's, Croydon and, of course, St Andrew's, Bentley.**
- Pray for the **Revd Peter Sanlon.** Pray also for the **Revd James Paice** and the trials they are facing for the Gospel and the FCE.
- Thank you, Lord for a safe journey to and from **Tunbridge Wells** last Thursday. Thank you, **Matthew** for keeping your Granddad awake. Pray for this - one of our new churches.
- Pray for **Janet** and **David.** They have both been unwell again recently.
- Pray for **Alison's mom, Audrey,** and husband **Dave** who was in Limoges hospital but is now home and thankfully now on the road to recovery.
- Pray that the Lord will keep **Wesley** safe, may he know you, Lord, in his heart.
- Pray for the **Revd Jabson Watson** as he develops a new FCE work in **Croydon** and helps out at Christ Church, Harlesden.
- Pray for **Revd Colin and his helpers,** Deanne and Mike, as he takes Holy Communion to those too frail to attend church.
- We continue to hold **Eva** and **Deanne** to you, Lord.
- Remember **Maureen,** Barry's sister-in-law following a heart attack. Thankfully she is back home now, but needs to rest.
- Keep **Doreen W** and **Jimmy** in your prayers.
- Please pray for the **Revd Robert Wilson** who suffered a bad angina attack recently and now needs to rest.
- Please pray Bishop Paul will be able to obtain his **India visa.**
- Give thanks for the many adult and infant **baptisms.** Pray the families will continue to keep in touch with St Andrew's.
- Pray for all our **children** while they are on holiday from school. Pray they will be kept safe & sound & protected.
- Pray the damage to **Bishop Paul's** eye will get better soon.
- Pray for the families of:

Kenneth John Morris who died suddenly while on holiday. Mark takes this funeral at Streety on 29th August - 1:30pm.

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 prayers - daily!

The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective. (James 5:16)



YESTERDAY'S WEDDING

Paul and Kellie got married in a packed St Andrew's yesterday afternoon. Well done, choir, you sang wonderfully. They managed to get their tongue around the Shakespearean language of the Prayer Book. Mark gave an impressive sermon about roller coaster rides using 1 Corinthians 2:9 as inspiration. He

concluded his talk with a poem about married life being like a rollercoaster. I've reprinted it here with thanks to Revd Mark:

Poem -

Life is like a rollercoaster, you don't know where it ends. There's ups and downs and lefts and rights and so so many bends.

Its sometimes steady and easy going, its sometimes swift and fast, it's sometimes really hard to breathe but you sometimes have a blast!

Your friends act as a safety bar and keep you strapped in tight especially after you reach the top and plummet from a height.

Some bars you trust, some bars you don't, and you sometimes get it wrong, but there will always be that one strong bar that's held you all along.

You sit and think about what is next, but the fact is you don't know! You just have to sit and watch life move, wherever it will go

You sometimes think you will derail but that's the chance you take for the truth is that there is no time, to stop and take a break.

You smile, you cry, you gasp for air, your heart comes to a stop, you climb and climb and finally you get to the top

Then with a scream, you fall back down, much faster than before and nothing seems to stop you from a crash into the floor.

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