

The Parish Church of St Mary's
Hilton with Marston-on-Dove

September 2019



Harvest Festival
Sunday 29th September

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Supporting Farming Families

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NOTICES AND SERVICES



Services in September

Sunday 1 st September	11.00am Holy Communion (BCP) ** No Good News Crew **
Tuesday 3 rd September	11.00am Holy Communion at Percy Wood Close
Sunday 8 th September	9.30am Holy Communion 11.00am Family Service
Sunday 15 th September	11.00am Morning Prayer
Sunday 22 nd September	11.00am Family Communion ** With Good News Crew **
Sunday 29 th September	Family Service with Harvest Festival

Currently we are awaiting a new vicar as Reverend Andy Murphie has relocated to a parish in the Lake District. All services, baptisms and wedding bookings are proceeding as normal.

For up to date information on services please see

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Future Events

Sunday 29th September 11.00am - **Harvest Festival**

Sunday 10th November 11.00am – **Remembrance**

Sunday 15th December – **Turkey Cobs and Trifle**

Sunday 24th December 3.30pm – **Christingle**

Sunday 8th December 11.00am – **Nativity Service**

CHURCH NOTICES

Parish Photo

We are aiming to take a photo of the congregation for the Parish Profile after the Family Service on the 8th September. The Parish Profile will serve as an advert for the church to attract a new vicar. We would like to encourage as many people to attend as we can.



Church Bells

If you are interested in learning how to ring the bells then please let Nigel or Helen know as we are looking to train up a small team to be able to ring the bells on Sunday mornings.

Flowers in Church You would be very welcome to put flowers in Church or give a donation for flowers to remember a special occasion or anniversary. If you would like to do this please speak to a Churchwarden.



Stamp collection There is a collecting box for used postage stamps in the Church porch for 'Oxfam'.

Parochial Church Council

Next Meeting: Standing Committee/PCC – **Tuesday 10th September at 7.30pm** in the Schoolroom

PCC Members: Mrs. E. Barber (Churchwarden); Mr. N. Brown (Churchwarden); Mr. J. Murphie (Hon. Secretary); Mrs. H. Brown (Hon. Treasurer); Mr. S. Johnson; Mr. B. Keane; Mrs W. Morris; Miss C. Owen; Mrs. L. Rees-Jones; Mrs. P. Roberts; Mr. P. Walton-Knight; Mr. G. Draper; Mr L. Bean

DIY Bible Study

In our DIY Bible Study this month, we look at Jeremiah. The thoughts and questions are adapted from the book '100 Stand-Alone Bible Studies' by Penelope Wilcock.

Bible passages

Jeremiah 1:4-8

The word of the Lord came to me saying, "Before I formed you in the womb I know you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as prophet to the nations." "Alas, Sovereign Lord," I said, "I do not know how to speak; I am too young." But the Lord said to me, "Do not say, 'I am too young.' You must go to everyone I send you to and say whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of everyone I send you to and say whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you and will rescue you," declares the Lord.

Jeremiah 20:8-9

So the word of the Lord has brought me insult and reproach all day long. But if I say, "I will not mention his word or speak any more in his name," his word is in my heart like a fire, a fire shut up in my bones. I am weary of holding it in; indeed, I cannot.

Commentary

Jeremiah was a reluctant prophet who didn't like what he saw, correctly anticipated that speaking out would make him seriously unpopular, and tried his best to dodge the responsibility of what the Quakers call "speaking Truth to Power".

But there is something about God's truth that simply won't let him alone. Maybe that's what it means to be a prophet, someone who can't just be content to do what everyone else does – turn a blind eye to injustice and wrongdoing, choose what is convenient, expedient, and comfortable over what we really know deep inside is responsible and good.

Jeremiah's prophetic career started early. One of the first objection he made to God's call on his life was that he was way too young – nobody would listen to him. God promised he would be with him. That may not have been entirely reassuring. I remember the great preacher John Wimber commenting that God's way is never easy. What he actually said was, "Get filled with the Holy Spirit and spend the rest of your life desperate! John Wimber said he knew three prayers: "Help!", "Oh God!", and "Oh God, help!"

I Guess Jeremiah knew what he meant.

Questions

- Any day of the week you can hear the old folks complaining about "young people today"; they seem to be held in no higher regard than they were in Jeremiah's day. What do you think? Does the church community take its young people seriously? Do the lives of the older church members offer enough of a prophetic example and ethical challenge to inspire the younger ones? Can you remember a time when someone who you assumed was too young to have a worthwhile opinion surprised you by their insight and sagacity?
- The prophetic life is not easy. Can you think of issues of importance in our day where doing the right thing seems too large and complicated to tackle? What would it mean to live a prophetic life in the modern world? On what topics would you want to speak out and try to make a difference?
- Jeremiah's ministry meant accepting unpopularity and loneliness as an everyday way of life. Have there been times when you (or someone you know) have lost friends and encountered antagonism and disapproval by standing up for truth and goodness?

Prayer

O God of truth, whose word burns like fire, whose light exposes what is hidden away, who calls us to live as the prophets of our day – give us wisdom and courage, give us honesty and determination, and with that give us graciousness, gentleness, and kindness, so that we may witness to both your truth and your love to the people of our own day. In Jesus' holy name; Amen.

Good News Crew



The Good News Crew is an opportunity for children, aged 3 and up, to encounter bible stories in a fun and relevant way through activities, stories, craft and prayer.

They usually meet on the **first Sunday of each month** and start with the normal service at 11am.

The children then go across to the school room for fun and educational activities before rejoining the congregation towards the end of the service to show what they have been learning.

Next meeting in 2019 on:

Sunday 22nd September – Don't Love Money/Harvest

Sunday 6th October – The Spice Stall

Sunday 3rd November – All Saints Day/Remembrance

Sunday 1st December – Preparing for Nativity/Christmas Crafts

Sunday 8th December – Nativity

Please see Helen or Louise for further details
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**Support and friendship
for families**

Parenting is tough. As parents we can face all sorts of challenges - the behaviour of our children, the behaviour of our partner, the censorious voice of our own expectations. And for some people, other difficulties come on top of these - loneliness, mental ill-health, and financial difficulties. In all of this, the children are growing up, and the children will not wait for these difficulties to be resolved.

Home-Start supports families with young children during hard times. The support is aimed at helping parents learn to cope, improve their confidence, develop a local community support network and build better lives for their children. It is through trained volunteers, who have experience of parenting themselves, that this support is given. The volunteer visits the family's home for a couple of hours each week and the support which they offer is tailored to each family's needs. Parents and volunteers often develop a profoundly trusting relationship which can lead to significant change within the family; volunteers report that working alongside the family is deeply rewarding, whilst parents often report that the volunteer support made an important difference to them at a difficult time.

The over-arching aim of this voluntary support is to improve the lives of children whose parents are struggling. This improvement is achieved through supporting the parents.

Do you have experience of parenting? Do you have a little time to give back to your local community? And do you think that you might be able to go in to someone's home to offer a listening ear and kindly support?

Home-Start Erewash is currently running a project in South Derbyshire to support local families, and is actively recruiting volunteers. The next training course is due to begin towards the end of September 2019. Training takes place over several weeks and addresses the types of issues likely to be encountered - confidentiality, boundaries and adopting a non-judgmental and supportive approach. Volunteers are asked to commit to 18 months to two years volunteering with Home-Start to reflect the value of the training which is provided.

All volunteers are subject to a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check.

Home-Start Erewash is part of Home-Start UK which was first established in 1973, in Leicester. Now there are Home-Start branches in 71% of local authority areas.

If you would like to volunteer with us, or have a discussion about what is involved, please call our Ilkeston office on 0115 9304640 or Bee Bramhall on 07498 332314

For further information please have a look at our website

<https://home-starterewash.co.uk/>

or the national website

<https://www.home-start.org.uk/about-us>

Harvest Collection - 29th September 2019



PADLEY 2019 NEEDS LIST

PERISHABLES	TOILETRIES & CLEANING MATERIALS (Please pack separately)
CHEESE	DEODORANT
COOKING OIL	DISPOSABLE RAZORS
FRUIT	KITCHEN ROLLS
MARGARINE/BUTTER	SHAVING FOAM
VEGETABLES	TOILET ROLLS
SAUSAGES	WASHING POWDER
BACON	WASHING UP LIQUID
DRINKS	FOOD
FRUIT SQUASH	GRAVY GRANULES
LONG LIFE MILK	BISCUITS
	COOK-IN-SAUCES
	SUGAR
NON FOOD ITEMS	SAUCES – RED, BROWN, MAYONNAISE
CLOTHES	JAM
SLEEPING BAGS	TINNED FISH
SHOES	TINNED FRUIT
UNUSED UNDERWEAR	TINNED MEAT
BOOKS	TINNED MEATBALLS
BRIC A BRAC	TINNED RAVIOLI
JEWELLERY	TINNED RICE PUDDING
BLANKETS	TINNED VEGETABLES
BEDDING	TINNED CASSEROLE
THERMAL HATS, GLOVES, SOCKS, SCARVES	TINNED CUSTARD
COATS	

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NO PET FOOD
 NO BABY PRODUCTS
 NO OUT OF DATE PRODUCTS NO OPENED FOOD
 NO DUVETS OR PILLOWS NO FURNITURE
 NO MATTRESSES

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