

Social and Fundraising Events continued



March 25th Pancake Party



June 7th Festival Lunch



July 25th Summer Fair



October 3rd Harvest Supper



Nov 28th Christmas Fair

Old Church Festival Events

Recitals

Diversity Open-mic night -
Festival Tea Dance & Cocktail Party
Festival Service
(time & dates to follow)

The Church will be open daily 11am - 4pm from June 5th - 10th.

Smethwick Old Church

What's On 2020



Open Church

On Wednesdays
from 10am - 1pm
Old Church is open.

Feel free to come in for prayer or a chat and a drink. All are welcome!



A Singing Workshop

will be led by Claire Hollocks on Saturday February 1st from 10am - 12.30pm at Old Church. You don't need to be a skilled singer to take part...

...all are welcome!



Walk & Talk ..

An opportunity to take a gentle guided walk with others on a Sunday afternoon.

The walks will take place on:
May 17th, July 19th & September 20th



Day Trip to Oxford

On July 11th there will be a coach trip to the historic town of Oxford, which has much to offer. Amongst other things you can choose to visit the Carfax Tower which offers superb views over the city; and the historic Covered Market with its many shops; the iconic Bodleian Library; Oxford's wide streets, intricate network of smaller lanes.

The cost and specific details will be available nearer the time



Prayer

Parish Prayers - On the last Thursday of each month there is the chance to meet together in Church for a time of informal prayer for our parish, ministry and mission from 2.30 - 3.15pm. If you wish to pray out loud, in silence, or give amen to prayers offered, you are welcome. Further information from Rosemary

Courses

Pilgrim Course: The Bible

This 6 session course will be led by Paul Martin. It explores issues of faith and how our faith impacts on our every day lives. This course will take place weekly 7pm - 9pm at Old Church beginning on June 9th.

The Gospel According to Everyone

This course, which will begin in the Autumn, will explore the impact our Christian faith has on our lives, in the fullest sense. We will look at how the gospel stories map onto our own stories and how our stories shape our faith and our lives.

The course will take place in people's homes and there will be a range of places, dates and times to choose from.

More information will be provided in the pewsheet nearer the time.

The Tradition and Theology of Anglican Worship

Many people ask questions about our worship at Old Church, including questions about the different seasons, the liturgical colours, the meaning behind Holy Communion and the structure of the services. For those interested, we will be running a number of sessions that will hopefully address some of these questions. The sessions will take place at Old Church on the following dates:

Saturday March 28th 10am - 12noon
The seasons of the church year

Saturday May 16th 10am - 12noon
The meaning behind Holy Communion

Lent



Lent soup lunches

These will take place in Old Church after a 12 noon Communion Service on the Tuesdays throughout Lent. The money raised from donations will be given to Christian Aid.

Lent Course:

'Old Testament Poetry' Led by Ann Conway-Jones

Much of the Old Testament is written in poetry. We will explore this ancient verse afresh, reading from the Psalms, Isaiah, and Job. We will also discover how biblical poetry has inspired poets and musicians down the centuries, and consider how it might nourish our own spiritual journeys.

The course will run on Tuesday mornings at 10:30am for four consecutive weeks beginning on March 3rd.



Being an Inclusive Church

In 2020 we are continuing to offer the opportunity to explore issues of inclusion. This year we are offering the following talks:

- The experience of asylum seekers and refugees
- Living with mental health difficulties

The dates and times of these events will be advertised when they are due to take place.

Social and Fundraising Events

The Discovers Group... ...for the over 55's.

The group goes on trips out on the third Thursday of the month. The cost varies depending on the location, but it is kept to a minimum. For more information, speak to Christine Tanner.

