



NEWSLETTER

Sunday 11th October 2026

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Please email any notices and items for this weekly newsletter to Lindsey in the parish office by Thursday for printing on Fridays. Thank you. office@stmaryskingswinford.org.uk

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION SERVICES AND EVENTS

Sunday 11th October

10am Sung Eucharist
10am iSingPop Pop up Church

Monday 12th October

5pm Evening Prayer

Tuesday 13th October

5pm Soul Food
5pm Evening Prayer
7pm Community Choir

Wednesday 14th October

10am Midweek Eucharist
5pm Evening Prayer

Thursday 15th October

10am Mainly Music

Sunday 18th October

10am Sung Eucharist
4pm Pause, Ponder, Prayer and Praise

*All are welcome to Morning Prayer at St Mary's at
8:30 am on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday this week.*

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Pray for our sick and those who care for them:

Pat Hughes, Chris Hemsley, John Whitby, John Timmins, Jayne Walker, Brian and Jackie Wilson, Brian, Rogerio Ponticelli, Sandra Mee, Julia, Robert Baker, Martin Lester, Christine Poulding, Bob Green, Jean Corbett, Nicky Arnold, Maxine Mills, Margaret Crane, Adrian Blackburn, Debbie Filgate and MU Members, especially the house bound.

Recently departed

Brian Meese

Please pray for the people that live in Oaklands Care Home in our parish and for the people who care for them.

Baptism Preparation

A prayer we pray for You as parents:

Loving God, we ask that You bless these parents with love and patience so that they will always be able to reflect Your love and care even when the days and nights feel long.

Book: *Dr Seuss The Lorax*

Remembrance 2026

Wall Heath in Bloom have asked if anyone could knit or crochet poppies to make a Remembrance display. Please leave a length of wool on the back of each poppy so that they can be tied on to the display. Please leave finished poppies at the back of church. Thank you.

Blessing of the Garden of Remembrance

This will take place outside the Royal British Legion in Kingswinford on **Sunday 1st November at 11.30am**. All are welcome.

Sunday 8th November

A reminder that there will be a service of Morning Prayer on Remembrance Sunday at 9.30am followed by the usual Act of Remembrance by the war memorial afterwards.

Parish Development

In 2026 we have seen 17 people confirmed in the parish. This is an amazing number of people who want to publicly affirm their faith. First of all, continue to pray for them. Pray that the lives of all confirmed people will continue to be inspired by the Holy Spirit every single day. Secondly, come and see the next six people Confirmed at **All Saints Sedgley** on **Sunday 25 October at 4pm**.



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Thank you to everyone who donated food or toiletries to the Harvest Festival on the 27th September 2026. As a result of your generosity 39 kilograms of food (or 6 stone 2lb in old money) was delivered to the Black Country Food Bank today and an equal amount plus three full bags of toiletries will go to the local Women's Refuge supported by the Mothers' Union.

These gifts will make a huge difference and were very gratefully received 😊

14 – 18 year olds 'Faith Space'

To our 14-18 year olds in the parish, we really want to hear your ideas about setting up a monthly get together eating food, talking about God and faith and thought we could do this after Hearts on Fire on **Sunday 11 October 2026 at about 5.30pm**. We'll provide the pizza!! The session is open to anyone in this age group who might want be part of this. Please invite your friends (and they'd be very welcome to come to Hearts on Fire too).

Soul Food

Our next Soul Food gathering will be on **Tuesday 13th October at 5pm**.

Please come along – everyone is welcome

Baby Loss Memorial Service

We are holding this gentle and unhurried service joining together in prayer with the wave of light on **Thursday 15th October at 6.30pm**.

Everyone is welcome to our Movie Afternoon showing *"Song Sung Blue"* on **Saturday 17th October at 2.00pm**.

£3 per ticket – you can pay on the door – snacks and light refreshments included.

Commissioning of C, YP & F Ministers

Worcester Cathedral – Sunday 18 October at 3pm

Children's ministers from across the Diocese will be commissioned into their roles on **Sunday 18 October at 3pm** and we are all welcome to support Hayley as she is commissioned.

Pop it into your diary and if you need a lift, please speak to one of the clergy.

We will next be holding the quiet, reflective service on **Sunday 18th October at 4pm**. All are very welcome.

Prayer and Praise at Fr Mel's

This group will next meet on **Monday 19th October at 7.30pm**. Everyone welcome!



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Sunday 11th October – The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

Collect

Faithful Lord, whose steadfast love never ceases and whose mercies never come to an end: grant us the grace to trust you and to receive the gifts of your love, new every morning, in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Today's Readings

Exodus 32.1-14

Psalm 1-6.1-6, 19-23

Philippians 4.1-9

Matthew 22.1-14

Post Communion

Holy and blessed God, you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son and filled us with your Holy Spirit:
may we honour you, not only with our lips
but in lives dedicated to the service of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Vacancy

After many years of dedicated and faithful service Mary Green has decided to retire from being a Church representative on our school governing body.

This means we have a vacancy to fill!

For more information, please speak to Mary or one of the clergy but also pray that we will be able to fill this very important vacancy.

Fr Mel started a **BEREAVEMENT CAFÉ AT ST MARK'S PENSNETT, ON THURSDAY OCTOBER 8TH AT 10AM.** The group will now meet fortnightly.

If you'd like more info please call Mel on 07899945935.

If you feel that this sort of gathering might help you, you're most welcome to come along.

A new course of the **Bishops Certificate** is starting on **3rd November on Tuesday evenings** at St Andrews Wollescote, Stourbridge.

If anyone is interested, please contact Kath Davis on **07984814747**.

Gluten Free Wafers

Whenever the Eucharist is celebrated, gluten free wafers will be available.