

The Parish of All Saints' Ockbrook with St Stephen's Borrowash

Developing Christian disciples, who love God, love one another, and live out God's love in the world.

All regular church services for April 2025

St Stephen's, Borrowash	9.15 am	Sun	6 th , 13 th & 20 th
All Saints', Ockbrook	8.00 am	Sun	6 th
	11.00 am	Sun	6 th , 13 th 20 th & 27 th
	10.00am	Sun	27 th (joint service, followed by the AGM)
St Stephen's, Borrowash	10.00 am	Wed	2 nd , 9 th , 16 th , 23 rd & 30 th

Children's & Youth Work:

Mondays (All saints')

Shining Stars 10-11.30am: 28th April

Wednesdays (All Saints')

Shining Stars 1-2.30pm: 2nd, 23rd and 30th April

Youth Café 3.30-5pm: 2nd, 23rd and 30th April

Sundays (All Saints'/Parish Hall)

Rise & Shine **9.45am**: 27th April

Sunday Night Saints: 27th April

Easter Day is a family service at 11am at All Saints

Future Dates for your diary

We are holding the following 4all services at 11am

15th June- Father's Day

5th October- Harvest

7th December – Christingle

Rise & Shine Breakfast Service

Sunday 11th May

9.15am – All Saints' Ockbrook

A note from Nat.....*Our youth and children's groups are growing more than ever, and we'd love some extra helping hands!*

If you can spare even just one session a month, you'd make a huge difference in the lives of the children and young people we support.

Whether it's for one group or all, your time and energy would mean the world to us.

Holy Week reflective services:

Mon 14th April 10am - St Stephen's (Chris Morrison)

Tue 15th April 10am - All Saints' (Mike Allen)

Wed 16th April 10am - St Stephen's (Lecky Allwood)

Thur 17th April 10am - All Saints' (Jeffrey Fewkes)

Fri 18th April 12noon - Coop carpark (Tim Sumpter)

2pm - All Saints' (Sue James)

Sat 19th April 10am - All Saints' (Tim Sumpter)

Sun 20th April, Easter Day:

9.15am HC, St Stephen's, & 11am HC, All Saints'

Sun 27th April:

10am - Joint MW All Saints', followed by the AGM

Baptism: On Easter Day, as part of the 11am service, Tim will baptise Henry Kingham, by full-emersion in Matt & Dawn Lee's Garden pool. Henry will share his testimony in the service and affirm his Christian faith, with the baptism taking place after Holy Communion around 12.15pm. Do please hold Henry in your prayers and come along to the baptism to support him.

AGM-27th April 11.15am in All Saints' Ockbrook:

Including: election of a new Parochial Church Council (PCC), reflecting on the activities of the last year in our churches, and looking forward to what the next year might hold for us. Do please come along and support this event and do please consider standing for the PCC. Please have a chat with Tim or one of the church wardens for more information about this.

For our prayers: Jean & Eric Thomas (Jean has a rapid form of dementia and is in The Firs Residential Home, Breaston), Ann English, Keith Tyler, Marion Johnson, Brian & Beth Meese (Beth is now in Sandicacre Court, Care Home), Peter & Margaret Parkin, Robert Russell, Jenni Bevis, Margaret Wilson, Philip Churchman & Beryl Good. Please also pray for the Families of Eileen Eyre & John Jacklin, following their recent funerals.

April prayer meetings: 1.30pm in All Saints' on Thur 10th & 24th. Please contact Lecky for more information (07802 546066).

Vicar: Tim Sumpter 820084 - tmsumpter@hotmail.co.uk

Associate Priest: Jeffrey Fewkes 07985 565328 - j.fewkes@btopenworld.com

Associate Priest: Bob Short 07913 245748 - bobthevicar@gmail.com

Children's and Youth-Work Lead Nat Coxon 07966 502740 - natcoxon15@gmail.com

All Saints' Caretaker: Patrick Smith 07301 297720) - padsmith@gmail.com

Parish Safeguarding Office: Angela Disney 07985 505870 - angelajdisney@outlook.com

Growth Group Coordinator: Geoff Peel 01332 583068 - geoff_peel@hotmail.com

Facebook: www.facebook.com/oandbparish

Diary Dates - March 2025

(For all *regular* and Holy Week/Easter services, see overleaf).

- Tue 1st Staff meeting in vicarage, 9.00am.
Prayer Ministry Team training, All Saints', 10.30am.
- Wed 2nd Parish Council meeting, St Stephen's, 7.00pm.
- Sat 5th Deadline for AGM reports; send to tmsumpter@hotmail.co.uk
- Tue 8th Monthly Full-Staff meeting in vicarage, 9am.
- Sat 12th John Hills men's breakfast Malt Shovel, Shardlow, 10am.
- Sun 13th GLH money group meets in vicarage, 7.30pm.
- Tue 15th Staff meeting in vicarage, 9am.
Standing Committee meeting, in vicarage, 1.30pm.
- Sun 27th April AGM at 11.15am in All Saints'.
- Tue 29th April Staff meeting in vicarage, 9.00am.

Walking Fellowship Group

Do you like getting outside for a walk? Spending time in nature appreciating God's creation? Chatting with others whilst doing some gentle exercise? Come and join our Walking Fellowship Group, meetings at Elvaston Castle car park on Thur April 6th at 10am, and Thur April 17th at 1.30pm (please note change of time for Holy Week). Speak to Janet Pinchbeck for further details: 07929 536051.

Live Streaming

The 11am Sunday services are now being live-streamed and can be accessed live, or afterwards by going onto YouTube and typing into the search option *all saints' ockbrook*, or using:

<https://www.youtube.com/@allsaintsockbrookststephen4235>

Summer & Autumn service rotas

These have been produced together, due to Tim's sabbatical, and have been emailed to all those involved. There is also a hard copy up at the back of each church building. In the main Sunday am services, the sermons will be following the Lectionary readings. We will welcome the following guest preachers: The Ven. Karen Hamblin, Rev. Dwayne Enge, Rev. Helen Bridger Sarah Johnson & Steve Sharpe, as well as the 'home team.'

Sabbatical-Tim writes

I will be on sabbatical from 1st May until the last Sunday in August. Some of the things I will be doing are:

- Exploring silence, through a retreat each month, at four quite different retreat centres around the UK.
- Walking in North Wales & Cumbria.
- Editing a book written in draft, in the first Covid-19 lockdown.
- Catching up on some reading.
- A holiday with Zoe.

Whilst I'm away the church wardens take-on formal church leadership responsibility, supported by the PCC. Therefore, if you have any pastoral needs/concerns, in the first instance, please speak with one of the church wardens. For all safeguarding concerns, please contact our PSO, Angela Disney: angelajdisney@outlook.com / 07985505870.

Thank you in anticipation for your prayers, for which I am deeply grateful, and please be assured of my ongoing prayers for you all. Tim X

Moir Dick has kindly offered to edit the monthly news sheet through Tim's sabbatical, and is contactable on 07810532982 / moira.dick@ntlworld.com

Coffee morning and 'bring and buy' at St. Stephen's, to raise funds for the Easter flowers, Sat 5th April from 10am to 12noon. All welcome.

All Saints' Caretaker: Paul Cullen has agreed to take on the caretaker role from 22nd April 2025, and will do this separate to, but alongside, his role as church warden.

Easter holiday: Tim will be away from work from Monday 21st April to Friday 26th April inclusive.

Church Website: Haydn Bowley is our web manager. If you have any items of news, or photos of church events, which might be included, please send them to: hello@ardenweb.com

For booking All Saints': Patrick Smith (caretaker) 07301 297720.

All Saints' gardening team: Meets on the 1st Sat. each month. Volunteers will have their own tools and protective equipment. Please contact Patrick for more information: 739563/padsmith@ntlworld.com

Safeguarding: The PCC, vicar and PSO continue creating and maintaining an environment safe for all, supporting all volunteers to adhere to safer working practice. and challenging any witnessed abuse of power. Info is available within section 11, *Code of safer working practice* of the Parish Safeguarding Handbook. Visit [Layout 1 \(churchofengland.org\)](http://Layout 1 (churchofengland.org)) or search the Derby Diocese website - Parish Safeguarding Handbook. If you are unable to access an electronic copy please contact Angela (PSO): angelajdisney@outlook.com 07985505870, also for **any** concerns.

The May 2025 News Sheet: Any items for inclusion should be with Moira Dick by no later than Tues 22nd April.