



Knowle
Parish Church



Letting our light shine at the village centre as a house of God's light for all peoples and generations

Sunday 28th April 2024

7.45am Holy Communion Steve Johnson 'Calling on the name of Jesus' Psalm 116: 1-7, Romans 10: 5-13
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4pm Welcome service for Bishop Michael at St Alphege Church, Solihull – notice below
6.30pm Holy Communion in church Tony Lumb 'Timothy's timely visit' 1 Thessalonians 3: 1-13

The week ahead SJH = St John's Hall LGH = lower Guild House UGH = upper Guild House

Monday 29th April

9am Stepping Stones SJH
12 noon Caterpillars LGH
7.45pm Parenting Children course SJH

Tuesday 30th April

9.15am Rainbow Tots session 1, 10.45am Rainbow Tots session 2 SJH
4-5pm Youth drop-in Years 10-13
5-6pm Youth discipleship Years 10-13
6.30pm Music rehearsal in church - all welcome to come and listen

Wednesday 1st May

9am Stepping Stones SJH
10am Holy Communion Roy Carr 'It was never plain sailing' Mark 4: 35-41
Followed by refreshments in LGH
2-4pm Renew Café wellbeing space – all welcome LGH
3.15pm onwards (straight after school) until 4.45pm New Year 6 group – notice below
7.30pm Let's Pray SJH
7.45pm Make @ KPC Craft Club Booking – notice below

Thursday 2nd May Polling Day (in Guild House)

6.45am The Waiting Room prayer group SJH
10am New Horizons **NB in church today**
12 noon Let's Pray **NB in church today**
12.30pm Friendship Club light lunch SJH
2pm Table Talk English conversation **NB in church today**
3.30pm Youth drop-in Years 7-9
5-6pm Youth discipleship Years 7-9
6-7pm Youth club Years 7-9

Friday 3rd May

9am Stepping Stones SJH
10am Bumps and Babies LGH

Saturday 4th May

10am Cobbles Café LGH

Sunday 5th May

7.45am Holy Communion Geoff Lanham 'New birth' Ezekiel 36: 22-27; John 3: 1-15
9.30am All Age service Rick Carstairs 'New birth' John 3: 1-15
11.15am Morning Prayer Christine McCone 'New birth' Ezekiel 36: 22-27; John 3: 1-15
6.30pm Evening Worship in SJH (preceded by refreshments) Steve Johnson 'Living to please God' 1 Thessalonians 4: 1-12

As the lower Guild House will be used as a Polling Station on Thursday 2nd May, meetings/events that day have been moved into church.

Please pray for:

Val Joyce recovering from a hip replacement operation.

Sam Lung, currently in hospital with pneumonia; for his full recovery.

Deb Dubar as she recovers from recent severe burns.

Janet Stewart who requires further chemotherapy for her myeloma.

Adrienne Curtis who has had a recent diagnosis of a tumour in her kidney. She thanks everyone for their prayers.

News Headlines

Welcome Bishop Michael A Welcome Service in our Deanery for the new Bishop of Birmingham will be held today (Sunday) 28th April at 4.00 pm in St. Alphege Church, Solihull. Everyone in the Deanery is welcome.

Make @ KPC - our monthly craft club for adults will be held on Wednesday 1st May. Free, but **booking is required**. To secure your place and for venue details (in Knowle) please email sarah.chapman@kpc.org.uk

Thy Kingdom Come Join us for prayer every morning in church, St Johns Chapel, front right from 7am Monday 13th May to Friday 17th May. There will be a time of reflecting and open prayer, Thy Kingdom Come prayer stations, copies of the Prayer Journals and "Pray for 5" memory aids. Please sign up for 1 hour prayer slots during our 24 hours of prayer. This will be in Church 7am-8pm Saturday 18th May and then on Zoom 8pm throughout the night and concluding 7am Pentecost Sunday 19th May. The sign-up board will be in church throughout the services and at the Big Church Prayer Meeting 8pm on Wednesday 15th May. Find out more about Thy Kingdom Come here: <https://www.thykingdomcome.global/> You can download the Prayer Journal with QR code to watch Thy Kingdom Come videos here: <https://www.thykingdomcome.global/resources/2024-prayer-journal>

Church opening hours At the moment our church is open to visitors from 9am–3pm during the week and from around 9am–1.30pm on Saturdays. We would love it to be open for longer, but to do this we need volunteers willing to lock the church Monday – Saturday (and to open it on Bank holidays when the office is closed). We also need someone to organise this rota of volunteers. If you would be willing to join the rota or organise it, please contact the Parish Office – we'd be delighted to hear from you.

Save the date - the next Big Church Prayer Meeting will be held on 15th May in St John's Hall, so please do save this in your diary if you're able to come. This is a great opportunity to hear about and pray for different areas of the church.

Table Talk English conversation club is back on Thursdays in the Guild House on the following dates: 2nd May (in church), 9th May, 16th May and 20th June (party). If you're new to the UK this is a chance to chat to friendly local people and become more familiar with the English language with different topics each session. If you are interested, please email office@kpc.org.uk

A new '**Hong Kong Welcome Course**' begins at St Philip's Church in Dorridge Friday April 26th at 7:30pm. There are six sessions covering everything for house buying, and job hunting to meeting your neighbours. Videos and in-person sharing from HKers will help you with the many adjustments to living here. Meet other HKers, and to learn about life in the UK. Come as a first timer or as a repeat if you think the course will help. We look forward to seeing you - Jan & Bill Wilson (07966 448370).

Knowle Mothers' Union 60th Anniversary - We would love you to join Knowle Mothers' Union for our 60th Anniversary celebrations on Thursday 9th May with a service in Church at 2pm, including dedication of our new banner, and afterwards in St John's Hall for some light refreshments of sandwiches and cakes. There will be prayers, thanksgiving, memories, displays, fun and of course fellowship and afternoon tea.

No Mow May This year at church we are planning again to participate in 'No Mow May', leaving some sections of the churchyard free from the mower in order to allow grass and wildflowers to grow for the benefit of pollinating insects. To read more see <https://www.plantlife.org.uk/campaigns/nomowmay/> This campaign encourages us all to leave some of our lawns unmown for at least a month to help wildlife. Even a smallish patch of unmown grass can be beneficial.

Have Fun at the Run! KPC is planning to have a very visible presence at this year's Fun Run on **Sunday 19th May**. We have gone in faith and committed to the Lions to organise the Arden Water Station, a new Jelly Baby Food Station located by the Church, and provide 10+ marshals along Wilsons Rd, Kenilworth Rd, and the High St. We also need 25+ Fun Runners running and/or walking together in teams. Every KPC participant is invited to a **Team Pasta Party at 5pm in St John's Hall the day before!** Please join us by contacting James Thorne on 07775705636 or at cjameslthorne@hotmail.com

Calling crafters St Alphege church is planning a knitted and crocheted poppy installation for this year's Remembrance Sunday and would love as many poppies as possible. Patterns are available if you need one. Please email s.maguire@solihullparish.org.uk

Keep in touch 😊 kpc.org.uk

KPC is on X @_KPC and Facebook @knowleparishchurch so do please give us a follow on social media

*All items for the notice sheet – in writing and not more than 50 words – should reach the parish office by **9.15am on Wednesday at the latest**.*

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