



Welcome to St Edburgha's Church **Sunday, 10th August the 8th Sunday after Trinity**

During the distribution of Holy Communion, you are most welcome to take time to pray and light a candle in the Gilby Chapel.

Collect

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading

Hebrews 11.1-3 & 8-16

¹ Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.

² Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval.

³ By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

⁸ By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an

inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going.

⁹ By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise.

¹⁰ For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God.

¹¹ By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised.

¹² Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, 'as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.'¹³ All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth,¹⁴ for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. ¹⁵ If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had

opportunity to return. ¹⁶ But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

Gospel Reading

Luke 12.32-40

³² 'Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³ Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. ³⁵ 'Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; ³⁶ be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks.

³⁷ Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸ If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. ³⁹ 'But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁰ You also

must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.'

Children's activities and toys are available to use at any time during the service at the top of the north aisle.

For Your Prayers

Jackie, Christine, Liz, Andrew,
Glenys, Bill and Jo.

Please contact the parish office if you would like to include someone on the prayer list

Monthly Charity



Our vision is of a world where everyone, everywhere has clean water, decent toilets, and good hygiene.

Supporting our Community



Your donations of tins of meat, fish, fruit, rice pudding, and monetary donations are always gratefully received.

Children and Families Work:

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Safeguarding: If you have any concerns about a vulnerable child, young person or an adult, please contact Julie Bridges (children) 07814 023913 Sylvia Roberts (adults) 07771 655 789

Summer Opening

As is tradition St Edburgha's will be open on the second and fourth Sunday afternoons from 2:00pm-4:30pm. Drop in for a visit! Tea and refreshments will be available to purchase. History tours are available on request by ringing Enid on 0121 291 0401.

Electronic Order of Service:



Fundraising Events

6th September

12:00 noon Beer Festival

20th & 21st September

Heritage weekend

18th October

Table-top Sale

Phone Pauline on 0121 783 7965

29th November

Christmas Quiz

For more information, please visit our website www.stedburghasyardley.com or phone Enid on 0121 291 0401 for more information and booking.

Upcoming Special Services:

Sunday, 31st August, 10:30am

special guest speaker from Church Mission Society.

Saturday 13th September

09:00 - 13:00

'An Oversight Area Quiet Morning'

(Make a note of the date - more information including how to book a place will be available soon)

Hymn Numbers

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