



Welcome to St Edburgha's Church
Sunday, 19th October the 18th 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:

Eternal God,
you crown the year with your
goodness and you give us the fruits
of the earth in their season: grant
that we may use them to your glory,
for the relief of those in need and
for our own well-being; through
Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you, in
the unity of the Holy Spirit, one
God, now and for ever.

First Reading:

Genesis 32. 22-31

²² The same night he got up and
took his two wives, his two maids,
and his eleven children, and
crossed the ford of the Jabbok.

²³ He took them and sent them
across the stream, and likewise
everything that he had. ²⁴ Jacob
was left alone; and a man wrestled
with him until daybreak. ²⁵ When
the man saw that he did not prevail
against Jacob, he struck him on the
hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put
out of joint as he wrestled with him.

²⁶ Then he said, 'Let me go, for the
day is breaking.' But Jacob said, 'I

will not let you go, unless you bless
me.' ²⁷ So he said to him, 'What is
your name?' And he said, 'Jacob.'

²⁸ Then the man said, 'You shall no
longer be called Jacob, but Israel,
for you have striven with God and
with humans, and have prevailed.'

²⁹ Then Jacob asked him, 'Please
tell me your name.' But he said,
'Why is it that you ask my name?'
And there he blessed him. ³⁰ So
Jacob called the place Peniel,
saying, 'For I have seen God face to
face, and yet my life is preserved.'

³¹ The sun rose upon him as he
passed Peniel, limping because of
his hip.

Second Reading:

2 Timothy 3. 14 - 4. 5

¹⁴ But as for you, continue in what
you have learned and firmly
believed, knowing from whom you
learned it, ¹⁵ and how from
childhood you have known the
sacred writings that are able to
instruct you for salvation through
faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶ All scripture
is inspired by God and is useful for
teaching, for reproof, for

correction, and for training in righteousness,

¹⁷ so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.]

¹ In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: ² proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. ³ For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, ⁴ and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. ⁵ As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

Gospel Reading:

Luke 18. 1-8

¹ Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. ² He said, 'In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. ³ In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, "Grant me justice against my opponent." ⁴ For a while he

refused; but later he said to himself, "Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, ⁵ yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming."'

⁶ And the Lord said, 'Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷ And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them?

⁸ I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?'

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

**Stuart Dimes – Vicar
St Mary & St Bartholomew
Hampton in Arden /St Peter
Bickenhill/St Swithin Barston**

Jill B, 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



ACACIA FAMILY SUPPORT

Acacia is a local Christian charity, based in Sutton Coldfield and serving the Birmingham area. It seeks to improve the lives of mothers and families affected by pre- and postnatal depression or anxiety. Over ten per cent of women suffer in this way.

Teams of trained staff and volunteers provide a range of support services, including short courses and one-to-one sessions at its centres, phone support, practical help in the home and crèches.

All services are free of charge and available to people of all beliefs.

For further information visit:

<https://www.acacia.org.uk>

Or ring: 0121 301 5990

Monday to Friday 9:30am - 3:00pm

Supporting our Community



Your donations of tins of meat, fish, fruit, rice

pudding, and monetary donations are always gratefully received.

Children and Families Work:

Nate Glover: 07341 543761

Email:

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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

Electronic Order of Service:



Fundraising Events

29th November

Christmas Quiz

In Church Halls

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

17th December

Christmas Wreath/table/door decoration making 2 sessions
Starting 17:30 & 20:00 – Cost £23.00 which includes everything needed to make wreaths.
Refreshments are also included in the cost. All you need to bring are sharp scissors or secateurs.
Booking is essential on:-
0121-291-0401

Other Notices

6th & 7th December

Christmas Tree Festival

By candle-light

Saturday 6th 13:00 – 18:30

Sunday 7th 12:30 – 16:30

Free Entry – Refreshments available

**An invitation from the Vicar:
5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Tuesday,
21st October and Tuesday,
28th October.**

We are living in extraordinary and often very worrying times. In Scripture we read St Paul's encouragement to followers of Christ with these words from Philippians 4.6: "Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God."

Join me to pray for God's presence to sustain us and for God's justice and peace to reign in all the earth. Any questions please ring: 07462 228 797. This is a Stechford and Yardley Churches Together initiative.



Saturday 27th November

10: 30 am–12:30 pm

Come and join us for the beginning of our adventure in Messy Church. Aimed at families with 0–11-year-olds.

We'll create together, play together and eat together. Each session will be themed, and we'll have a short story from the Bible. **(Registration forms at the back of the Church)**

Special Service

Sunday 26th October

Compline Service 6:30 p.m.

Hymns for today

558, 321, 81 & 89



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