

Coming up

Quiet day: Saturday 24th November, 9.30 - 4.00pm at St Swithin's House, Barston. Tickets £10. Please sign up in the Wilberforce Hall.

Refreshments training: Sunday 25th November, after the morning service. All members of refreshments teams are encouraged to attend.

Also...

Christianity Explored and Start!: We will be advertising dates for these courses soon. Please speak to Toby if you are interested in taking part.

Bible notes: Next week we start looking at the book of Daniel in our daily readings. Copies of the notes are now available on the bookstall, £2 each.

Church halls discussion: As we start to think about planting again, and as we move towards disposal of the 1960s buildings which were established for this purpose last time, it would be good to reflect on our previous planting attempts. Were they successful? What didn't work? What can we learn? Thoughts to Toby, please, at rector@elmdonchurch.org

Francis Sender, our Crosslinks study partner in Uganda, recently had his laptop stolen. The PCC has agreed to fund the cost of a replacement. If anyone wants to contribute towards this, please speak to Lesley Huss or Eli Malkin.

Missed a Sunday? As well as listening to the sermon on our website, you can now find our Podcast on iTunes and Spotify – just search for "Elmdon Church Sermons".

A short film, called 'My Father', was recently part-shot at Elmdon Church. We hope to be able to link to it on our website when it is released.

Eco tip: Seven million coffee cups are thrown away every day in the UK. Lots of outlets offer a discount if you use your own cup. Investigate the options!

News for 18th November edition (40 words max) by 7pm on Wednesday 14th November to news@elmdonchurch.org please. We are an EcoChurch and this document is printed on recycled paper. It is also available on our website and via email.



"The Church in the Park"

11th November 2018

"After I have risen, I will go ahead of you."
Mark chapter fourteen, verse 28 (Church Bibles, page 1020)

Welcome to Elmdon Church. It's lovely to see you!

Remembrance Sunday

10.15am Parade service, all ages together.

Toby Crowe will speak on Mark 14:26 - 31.

Got a question? Disagree? Email rector@elmdonchurch.org

1.30 - 4.00pm Open Church

6.45pm Act of remembrance and beacon-lighting

In the week

Mon 12 Nov

Holy Communion: 2.00pm at Gaydon Road.

Tue 13 Nov

Women's Bible study: 10.00am at Elmdon Church.

Holy Communion: 2.00pm at Coppice Road.

Prayer night: 8.00pm at Elmdon Church.

Wed 14 Nov

Acorns toddler group: 9.30am at Elmdon Church.

Bible study: 1.30pm at 706 Old Lode Lane.

Bible study: 7.30pm at 4 Wharton Avenue.

Rector Revd Toby Crowe **Children & Families' Worker** Kelly Purdy

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Read & pray...

Monday *Mark 14:26 - 31*

- Russia and the countries of NATO following the largest military exercises (on both sides) since the end of the Cold War.
- Christian residents of Tanhouse Farm Road and The Glade, that they might be confident in sharing their faith with their neighbours.
- The monthly meeting of clergy and churchwardens this morning.
- Those who are bereaved, including the families of Brian Clayton, Sue Graesser and Judith Kemp.

Tuesday *Ezekiel 43:1 - 27*

- President Sirisena's attempts to dissolve the parliament in Sri Lanka.
- Agency staff at JLR, trying to make up hours lost during the recent shutdown and always vulnerable to sudden dismissal.
- Our church prayer night, taking place this evening.
- Those who are sick, including Mary Reynolds and Graham Stallard.

Wednesday *Ezekiel 44:1 - 31*

- The people of Iran, following the re-imposition of sanctions by the US.
- Unbelieving residents of Tanhouse Farm Road and The Glade, that they might come to know and follow Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord.
- Richard Huss, preparing to preach on Sunday, and those who will lead our groups for children and young people.
- Church members: Bronwen Cooke, Shirley Copsey and Ann Davis.

Thursday *Ezekiel 45:1 - 25*

- The safety of Asia Bibi, following the overturning of her death sentence on a trumped-up 'blasphemy' charge in Pakistan.
- All victims of knife-crime in our communities, and those who combat it.
- Our reflections on what it might mean to be, again, a planting church.
- Those who are bereaved, including the families of Margaret Partlett, Brian Smith and Dorothy Walton.

What do Christians believe? Visit www.twowaystolive.com

Friday *Ezekiel 46:1 - 24*

- Hostages held by Islamist groups in Syria and elsewhere.
- A good implementation of the recently-released masterplan for Birmingham Airport.
- Those who are attending the National Youth Ministry weekend, run by Youthscape and meeting at Elmdon Church today.
- Those who are sick, including Don Stanton and Stephen Young.

Saturday *Ezekiel 47:1 - 23*

- Diplomats and politicians, still trying to agree a fair and just Brexit deal.
- Safety for all who attend the Birmingham Christmas market.
- Members of the Diocesan Synod, meeting in Elmdon this morning, and those sharing discussions with Bp Ric Thorpe this afternoon.
- Church members: George & Eileen Cotton; Rob & Joy Dean.

Sunday *Mark 14:32 - 42*

- Those who are challenging our throw-away culture, and developing recyclable and reusable options.
- Staff and students are our local secondary schools: Lode Heath & Lyndon.
- Our service this morning, that all who attend will meet Jesus Christ as we study his word in fellowship and with prayer.
- Our prayers and plans for 2019: 'Year of decision and purpose'.

Please send prayer requests to prayer@elmdonchurch.org and note that names will usually appear for a month at a time.

You can receive these prayers through the free PrayerMate app or by our daily email bulletin. Details at www.elmdonchurch.org/prayer

*We have a prayer chain for urgent prayer needs.
Please email prayer@elmdonchurch.org or call 0121-743 6336.*

Next Sunday, 18th November

10.30am Holy Communion with groups for children & young people.
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1.30 - 4.00pm Open Church