



19th October 2025

Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Verse of the Week

"As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit came on them as he had come on us at the beginning." Acts 11, verse 15 (NIV)

Collect

God, our judge and saviour, teach us to be open to your truth and to trust in your love, that we may live each day with confidence in the salvation which is given through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

St Mary's Church, Hobs Moat

Holy Communion 9.30am

followed by refreshments

Bekah Clark will preach on Acts 10:1-11:18

Elmdon Church

Refreshments 10.30am

Holy Communion with Kids in Christ 11am

Bekah Clark will preach on Acts 10:1-11:18

Coming up this week

Open Church at Elmdon Church Sunday, 2-4pm

Tuesday, 2pm **Tuesdays at Two** at Elmdon Church

Wednesday, 1-3pm Knit and Natter at St Mary's

Thursday, 9.30am **Refresh** at St Mary's

Thursday, 1.30pm **Craft group** at St Mary's

Please pray for...

- Karen Matthews preaching next Sunday.
- The residents of Oakslade Drive and Odensil Green.
- Aid to freely enter Gaza and for safe humanitarian access.
- Those confirmed at St Alphage, including our dear friend.
- Prisoners and their families, prison staff and all who care.
- The children's Light Party and the Annual Memorial Service.

Dates for your Diary

Please note: no **Zoom Morning Prayer** on Monday, 27th October.

Confirmation service at St Alphege at 5pm today, 19th October; the Elmdon church family are invited to come to support the person from our church family being confirmed or if anyone is interested in seeing what a confirmation service is like before taking this step on their own faith journey.

Save the date - Light Party, crafts, games, baby and toddler zone, Bible talk, party tea and light trail, celebrating Jesus the Light of the World, for under 11s and their parents/carers, Friday 31st October, 4.30-6pm, more details coming soon.

Annual Memorial Service: Sunday, 2nd November at 3pm. Elmdon Church, Elmdon Park, Solihull, B92 9EJ. A reflective service to remember and give thanks for those whom we love but see no longer. Booking not required, simply join us on the day. Refreshments will be served from 2.30pm.

Harvest services: Many thanks to the church families of St Mary's and Elmdon for the items of food and toiletries donated to Helping Hands. Your generosity is very much appreciated.

This week's Discovery Bible Study

Bible passage: Acts 10:1-11:18

- Review how you did with last week's passage: What changes did you make in your life? Who did you tell?
- Read this week's passage again.
- Retell the passage in your own words.
- Reflect on the questions below.
- Pray for God's help.

What does the story tell me about God?	If this is really God's word, what changes would I have to make in my life?
What does the story tell me about people or myself?	Who am I going to tell?

Next Sunday, 26th October

British Summer Time ends - clocks go back one hour

St Mary's Church, Hobs Moat

9.30am Morning Worship

followed by refreshments

Karen Matthews will preach on Acts 12:1-25

Elmdon Church

10.30am Refreshments

11am All Age Morning Worship

Karen Matthews will preach on Acts 12:1-25

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News Sheet

News for the 26th October edition of the news sheet should be sent to news@elmdonchurch.org by 7pm on Wednesday, 22nd October.