



# 16th November 2025

# Second Sunday before Advent

#### Verse of the Week

"For certain men whose condemnation was written about long ago have secretly slipped in among you." Jude, verse 4 (NIV)

#### Collect

Heavenly Lord, you long for the world's salvation: stir us from apathy, restrain us from excess and revive in us new hope that all creation will one day be healed in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# **Safeguarding Sunday**

St Mary's Church, Hobs Moat

**Morning Worship** 9.30am

followed by refreshments

Bekah Clark will preach on Jude 1-4

#### **Elmdon Church**

Refreshments 10.30am

Holy Communion with Kids in Christ 11.00am

Bekah Clark will preach on Jude 1-4

### Coming up this week

**Open Church** at Elmdon Church Sunday, 2-3.30pm

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...

- Bekah Clark preaching next Sunday.
- The residents of Rangoon Road and Redfern Close.
- Gift and Kathryn Asiku, their sons, James and Simon Peter, and the work of Wycliffe Bible Translators throughout the world.
- The volunteers of Elmdon Park Support Group.
- As we mark Safeguarding Sunday, pray for those who are vulnerable and in need of protection, that they may receive the Lord's safety, comfort and peace.
- Communities we're called to love and serve in Hobs Moat and Elmdon.

## **Diary**

Mondays at 9.30am: Zoom Morning Prayer. Email <a href="mailto:revbekahclark@gmail.com">revbekahclark@gmail.com</a> for the Zoom link.

**Midlands Churches Connect event**: At Christ Church, Sparkbrook, B11 1LS on Saturday, 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 10am-3pm. An event celebrating the joy, growth, and revival that happen when refugees are welcomed by churches across the Midlands. The day will include a range of activities to inspire, encourage and equip, and is aimed at people both with actual experience of seeking refuge. and others. Find out more or register on *welcomechurches.org*.

**Celebration Sunday (joint service at Elmdon):** Sunday, 30<sup>th</sup> November, 10.30am – Holy Communion with Kids in Christ.

**Church of England Safeguarding Survey**: We want our churches to be places of welcome and safety. Please could you take a few moments to complete a short survey about how welcome and safe you feel at your church? The survey is open until 14<sup>th</sup> December and is available at

https://www.cognitoforms.com/Cofebirmingham/ParishSafeguardingSurvey2025 or ask Lesley Huss for a paper copy.

## This week's Discovery Bible Study

Bible passage: Jude 1-4

- 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, 23rd November

St Mary's Church, Hobs Moat

9.30am Holy Communion

followed by refreshments

Readings: Jude 5-16 and Luke 23:33-43

**Elmdon Church** 

10.30am Refreshments

11.00am All Age Morning Worship

Bekah Clark will preach on Jude 5-16

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**News Sheet** 

News for the 23<sup>rd</sup> November edition of the news sheet should be sent to <u>news@elmdonchurch.org</u> by 7pm on Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> November.