



# 15<sup>th</sup> February 2026

## Verse of the Week

“Now about your love for one another, we do not need to write to you, for you yourselves have been taught by God to love each other.”  
1 Thessalonians 4, verse 9 (NIV)

10.30am Refreshments

11.00am **Holy Communion with Kids in Christ**

Karen Matthews will preach on 1 Thessalonians 4:1-12

## Coming up this week

Sunday, 2-3.30pm

**Open Church**

Tuesday, 2pm

**Tuesdays at Two**

Wednesday, 10.30am

**Ash Wednesday – Holy Communion**

## **Please pray for ...**

- All those we know who are in pain or distress.
- Bekah Clark preaching next Sunday.
- The residents of Whar Hall Road and Wharton Avenue.
- Our local hospitals and emergency services.
- Those involved with mission and outreach, both here and abroad.

## **Save the date ...**

**Mondays at 9.30am: Zoom Morning Prayer.** Email [revbekahclark@gmail.com](mailto:revbekahclark@gmail.com) for the Zoom link.

**Tuesdays at Two** will recommence on 17<sup>th</sup> February at Elmdon Church. *Please bring a notepad and pencil!*

**Ash Wednesday**, 18<sup>th</sup> February, Holy Communion at 10.30am.

**'A Day of Prayer and Worship' led by Roger Jones on Saturday, 7<sup>th</sup> March:** Roger will be focusing on the theme of "Lord, teach us to pray" (Luke 11), the ministry and gifts of the Holy Spirit and hearing from God in simple and accessible ways. It will be "bring your own lunch", other refreshments provided and children must be accompanied by an adult. Refreshments will be available from 10am; 10.30am start, finished by 3pm. It will be free, with the option to donate towards refreshments and the ministry of ReSource (<https://www.resourcingrenewal.org/>) who are providing us with the day. The booking page is set up and the link is: [www.elmdonchurch.org/go](http://www.elmdonchurch.org/go)

## **Lent resources:**

*Bible Society* free daily devotionals on the Psalms "Lent Encounter 2026". For more information and to sign up visit <https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/resources/the-lent-encounter>

*Tearfund* - "*Living Water*: a free seven-week Lent devotional" For more information and to sign up visit <https://www.tearfund.org/forms/lent-email-sign-up-form>

**Parish Racial Justice Survey:** As part of Racial Justice Sunday, 8 February, the West Midlands Racial Justice Initiative is inviting parishes to take part in a short survey which takes about 5 minutes to complete and is anonymous. The responses will help build a clearer picture of experiences and perspectives across parishes and will inform ongoing reflection, learning, and action around racial justice. The survey can be accessed via this link:

<https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/WMRJI-Birmingham-Diocese-Parish-Survey/>

## **This week's Discovery Bible Study**

### **1 Thessalonians 4:1-12**

- 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, 22nd February (Lent 1)**

10.30am Refreshments

11.00am **Holy Communion**

Bekah Clark will preach on 1 Thessalonians 4:13-5:11

## **Find it online:**

Quick access to event sign-up, notice sheets, captions/translations and more: [www.elmdonchurch.org/go](http://www.elmdonchurch.org/go)

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## **News Sheet**

News for the 22<sup>nd</sup> February edition of the news sheet should be sent to [news@elmdonchurch.org](mailto:news@elmdonchurch.org) by 7pm on Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> February.

