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16th March 2025

“Martha, Martha”, the Lord answered, “you are worried and upset about many things, but only one thing is needed. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her.”

(Luke 10, verses 41 & 42)

The Elmdon Church ‘verse of the week’.

Welcome to Elmdon Church!

**Elmdon Church exists for you. Because Christ loves you.
Whoever you are, whatever your story,
we'd love to get to know you.**

Next Sunday, 23rd March 2025

*Our time together begins with
refreshments at 10.30am*

11.00am All Age Holy Communion

John Tsipouras will preach on Psalm 46

Open Church: 2.00pm-3.30pm

Tuesdays at Two: 25th March at 2pm

*Our time together begins with
refreshments at 10.30am*

11.00am Morning Worship, with Kids in Christ

Richard Huss will preach on Luke 10:38-42

Open Church: 2.00pm-3.30pm

Tuesdays at Two: 18th March at 2pm

Readings:

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| Mon | 17 th March | Luke 23:26-24:12 |
| Tue | 18 th March | Luke 24:13-53 |
| Wed | 19 th March | John 1:1-42 |
| Thu | 20 th March | John 1:43-2:25 |
| Fri | 21 st March | John 3:1-36 |
| Sat | 22 nd March | John 4:1-54 |
| Sun | 23 rd March | Psalm 46 |

Please pray for:

- Bekah, our Rector.
- The residents of Arden Croft and Banbrook Close.
- John Tsipouras preaching next Sunday.
- The RSPB, the Environment Agency and Natural England as they work together to mitigate the effects of the collision between the cargo ship and the oil tanker in the North Sea.
- Those who are working for justice in the world, especially the conflicts where there appears to be no end in sight.

News, and dates for your diary:

Joy Hoban's funeral: Thursday, 20th March, 11am followed by light refreshments/ buffet in the Wilberforce Hall. Please wear a splash of colour. We are expecting a large number of people. Please car share.

Recycling: Solihull Council are now collecting soft plastics, bags, crisp packets, bubble wrap, etc. Just put these items in your brown bin!

Preparation of new Church Electoral Roll:

Being on our Church Electoral Roll is a sign of being part of the body of Christ here in Elmdon, and of joining in our work of "Sharing the Love of Christ" together. Every six years we need to prepare a completely new Church Electoral Roll, and 2025 is one of those years. Names on the current roll are **not** carried across automatically, so if you would like to be entered on the new roll, now is the time to apply.

Richard Huss is our electoral roll officer and will be glad to give you a form. (He will be writing to all who are on the current roll.) The deadline is **Tuesday 22nd April 2025**, and the new roll will come into effect on Sunday 27th April.

Welcome Churches network: As a church we are a member of the Welcome Churches network, which supports churches in welcoming refugees and asylum seekers. We have received an invitation to an event they have arranged at Holy Trinity Church, Leicester on Saturday, 5th April, 1-4pm; they would love as many from Elmdon Church to join them. The day will include a range of activities to inspire, encourage and equip, and is aimed at people both with lived experience of seeking refuge and without. Google Midlands Churches Connect for further info.

West Midlands Men's Convention: Monyhull Church, Birmingham, B30 3PS, Saturday, 10th May. "Reclaiming Masculinity". Tickets £15 standard and £10 reduced. Further information to follow. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please speak to Rob Dean.

News for the 23rd March edition of the news sheet should be sent to news@elmdonchurch.org by 7pm on Wednesday, 19th March.