

Please pray for our Growing Younger Facilitators: Janet Knox; Ruth Young and Damian Herbert as they help churches across the diocese work out how to 'grow younger'. Pray for good relationships with church leaders and congregations as together, through the facilitation process, they seek God's heart for the children and families living in their communities.

We pray for 'Afternoon Tea at St Peter's' Balsall Common, held on the second Thursday of the month, in the 'Baptistry/Lounge' at the back of church. May those who come feel called to join the short (dementia friendly) service of prayer and singing held immediately before, and through this be further enabled to support each other.

Fr Barrie Scott, St John the Evangelist, Perry Barr asks: *Please pray for the charity afternoon tea today, and for all the charity work and outreach done at St John's. Give thanks for the generous giving of time and money by this congregation and the community to spread the love of Christ through word, sacrament and deed.*

Please pray for the Revd Linda Granner, Chaplain, on her regular visits to the Jaguar Land Rover, Solihull site. The visits are well received although difficult to have in depth conversations with workers on the track. Events are planned which will increase the employees' knowledge of other cultures and religions to enable better working together. We pray for all assembly line workers.

Anglican Communion

Sunday 9 October: The Church in the Province of the West Indies
The Most Revd & The Hon Dr John Holder Archbishop of West Indies & Bishop of Barbados

Monday 10 October: Ideato - (Owerri, Nigeria) The Rt Revd Caleb Maduoma; Idoani - (Ondo, Nigeria) The Rt Revd Ezekiel Dahunsi

Tuesday 11 October: Ife - (Ibadan, Nigeria) The Rt Revd Oluwole Odubogun

Wednesday 12 October: Ife East - (Ibadan, Nigeria) The Rt Revd Oluseyi Oyelade

Thursday 13 October: Ifo - (Lagos, Nigeria) The Rt Revd Nathaniel Oladejo Ogundipe

Friday 14 October: Igbomina - (Kwara, Nigeria) The Most Revd Michael Akinyemi

Saturday 15 October: Igbomina - West - (Kwara, Nigeria) The Rt Revd James Akinola

Sunday 9 October Edgbaston deanery



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Edgbaston deanery is a diverse deanery stretching from the outer estates of South West Birmingham to the more inner urban parishes: lying north of the Hagley Road via swathes of suburbia. The parishes are diverse in church tradition and worship style. It has 13 parishes and also includes hospitals, Birmingham University and the Queens Foundation.

The deanery is arranged into four clusters, in which parishes co-operate and seek to grow together.

Please pray for the deanery that we continue to support one another through chapter, synod and the clusters and that we continue to learn to grow together in mission into our different communities.

Please pray that we can learn from one another through good and bad times and be strengthened in the service of Jesus Christ.

We pray for the churches of St Mary, Lapworth and St Michael, Baddesley Clinton as they seek to change the way that their parish magazine is distributed and funded. We give thanks for the magazine, its long history and wide distribution. We pray for new volunteers so the magazine can move to free, universal distribution throughout the parishes.

Please pray for Bishop Anne in her role as Sponsoring Bishop, overseeing the work of selecting candidates for the ordained ministry. As she meets today with her team of Examining Chaplains, ask God to equip them with gifts of attentiveness, wisdom and discernment.