

# BUL LET IN

Worshipping Jesus  
Growing Together  
Reaching Others

SEPT 2019

# Weekly Service Times

## Sundays

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>Traditional Service</b>
	<b>10:30am</b>	<b>Informal Worship</b>
	<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Open to God or Evening Prayer</b>

## Weekdays

<b>Monday</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>9:30am</b>	<b>Communion</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>

For more information on items mentioned in this bulletin please go to our website [www.ststephens-ealing.org](http://www.ststephens-ealing.org)

# A Welcome Note from the Vicar



Welcome to St Stephens – we are delighted that you are here today.

We strive to ensure that we are a fresh and welcoming community where everyone is made welcome and everyone knows that they matter, both to us and to God.

St Stephen’s is alive with vibrant worship, intimate prayer and growing friendships. We value both the traditional and contemporary and you will find that our different services reflect a variety of ways of worship. Our desire however is that whatever the style, as people meet together they encounter the presence of our living God.

As a Christian community we are committed to following and trying to live like Jesus. We look for ways to love and serve each other and our wider community and seek to provide for those who are often forgotten by society at large.

In many ways, September marks the beginning of a new year of church life as all our groups and activities re start after the summer. As well as our regular mid-week groups and activities we have some one-off events this term including a new Alpha course, a Craft Fair, Café Church for the Half Marathon, a 50/60’s party and much more. The best way to get to know more people is to get involved - you will be made most welcome.

*Steve Newbold*

# Notices

## Traidcraft Stall

Celebrating 40 years since Traidcraft began, we celebrate on our stall on **1st September** with new stock and some goods that have been awarded Great Taste Awards. Come see, try new products and help Traidcraft continue to help growers with guaranteed fair prices and living conditions.

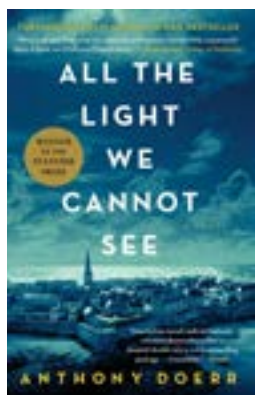
## First Tuesday Prayers and Praise at 8pm

Come along to Pray and Praise with us on Tuesday **3 September** whilst we concentrate on the mission of our church and what God has to say to us.

## St David's Home

'Summer' Hymns of Praise on **Sunday 8 September**. Starts at 3pm contact Sally Horattides 8840 6047 or Pete Devereux 8579 7884.

## St Stephen's Book Club



Our next meeting is on **Weds 11 Sept at 8pm** to discuss **All The Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr**. We meet in the church meeting room for tea, coffee, wine, cake and discussion. All welcome. No need to book just confirm along.

## Open to God

Returns on Sunday 15th September. This is our most informal service. Come along for extended sung Worship, Teaching and Prayer. For all future dates please see our Monthly Diary page.

## People and Planet Gathering

We meet at 12.30 Sun 22 Sept for a bring and share lunch, followed by a talk from our own Liz Paice. Titled 'Deforestation in Costa Rica', Liz will tell how by the '90s Costa Rica had lost 40% of its rainforest, concerning both the Government of that country and the international community. She will describe the efforts made to conserve what remained and manage it more sustainably. Sign up or talk with Sue Charlton on 8997 8236 or Enid Barron 8997 1958.



Starts on  
**Thurs 26th September**  
**7:45pm - 9:30pm**  
for 10 weeks.

Year after year we have seen lives changed through the Alpha course at St Stephen's. Would you like to join us this year or is there someone you can invite to come? If you need to know more, you can find lots of information and stories at Alpha.org. You can book a place on our website, speak to Steve or Caroline Newbold or Sam Sanya or email [admin@ststephens-ealing.org](mailto:admin@ststephens-ealing.org)

If you have baby sitting concerns please speak to us as we may be able to help.

## Autumn Craft Fair

**Sat 28 September 10:30am to 3:00pm.** Do pop into your diary to come along and invite neighbours. Also looking for helpers for lunches, children's craft area and cake stalls - including making some! Speak to Jane Maffett or Jess Ely, or [events@ststephens-ealing.org](mailto:events@ststephens-ealing.org)



On Sunday 30 September we will be supporting the EHM by running a free Community Café and Water Station with UFO Steele band. Do come and help us. 9am - 11am There will be no morning services instead there will be a single service at 4.30pm in the form of Café Church.

## Green Sunday

Creation Time lasts through September to 4th October, and we'll mark this on Sunday 8th with a Green Communion at the 9am service. Do come if you can to take part in the Act of Eco Commitment.

**One off event help needed**  
**For Craft Fair, Half Marathon day Cafe, Rock n Roll evening and Light Party.**

See the sign up sheets or speak to our events coordinator, Jane Maffett or email [events@ststephens-ealing.org](mailto:events@ststephens-ealing.org)

## Rock n Roll Evening

Friday 11 October 7:30-10:30pm  
Tickets £15 (including light supper) will be on sale in early September Bring your own drinks- tell neighbours. Enquiries to Jane Maffett or

[events@ststephens-ealing.org](mailto:events@ststephens-ealing.org)



## Farwell Service for Archdeacon Duncan Green

All are welcome to attend a farewell service for Ven. Duncan Green, Archdeacon of Northolt at St Martin's, Ruislip HA4 8DG. **Thursday 17 October** at 7:30pm. If you would like to attend please email [anne.davies@london.anglican.org](mailto:anne.davies@london.anglican.org)

## Light Party

**Thurs 31 Oct 5-7pm** for ages 5-8 yrs. Fun and games. Dress colourfully. Helpers needed. Speak to Jane Maffett or email [Events@ststephens-ealing.org](mailto:Events@ststephens-ealing.org)

## Baptism and Confirmation

Interested in being Baptised (or renew your Baptism Vows) or Confirmed? We have a service on **17 November** with our Bishop. If you would like to know more please speak to Steve Newbold.

## Quiet Morning

Suzanna Rust from St Mary's. Ealing is arranging a quiet morning at St Michael's Convent, Gerrards Cross on **Sat 21 Sept from 10am - 4pm**. Belinda Barwick, (former lay reader at St Stephen's) will be leading. Cost £15 each. Tea and coffee will be provided. Please contact Suzanna Rust on 8997 3025 to book.

## Appeal

St Stephen's Ealing Soup Kitchen Team is currently seeking volunteers, **especially cooks** and those with kitchen skills, to help with organising the food to be served. If you think you could help, please contact Naomi Rattrey [nrattrey@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:nrattrey@hotmail.co.uk).

## Flowers

1 September - Liz Cooper  
8 September - [available]  
15 September - [available]  
22 September - [available]  
29 September - [available]

## Save the Date

Saturday 16 Nov – Big Tearfund Quiz  
Saturday 30 Nov – Christmas Fair  
Sunday 15 Dec - Carol Services (4:30pm & 6:30pm)  
Sunday 22 Dec - Alternative Carol Service (10:30am)





Our mid week Groups for worship, prayer, Bible Study and Fellowship. For further details for each group contact the group leaders as detailed below.

#### **p&p small group**

Meets fortnightly on Monday evenings. More info from Dinos Horattides (8840 6047) or Peter Charlton (8997 8236)

#### **Tuesday Group**

Alternate Tuesdays at 8pm at the Vicarage. For more info call Steve Newbold (8810 4929)

#### **Jigsaw**

Meeting alternate Tuesdays 7pm (for food), 7:30-9:30pm (meeting). Call Caroline or Ian Jamieson 8840 1971.

#### **Daytimers**

Meets every Wednesday at 11:00am in the Church Centre for cake, coffee, fellowship, Bible reflection and prayer.

#### **Vine**

Meets Wednesday's (not first of the month) at 8pm in different group member's houses. Contact Sam Sanya or Barbara Luland for info.

#### **Film Group**

Film Group meeting is on Thursday 5th Sept. We will be watching The Rider and will discuss it on Thurs 19th Sept. Rosemary Beardow (07733 441 431).

#### **Chinese Group**

Meets Fridays - contact Weihua Zhang or Youwen Yang for more information.



Recent polls suggest up to 83% of us are worried about Climate Change. We are told that major sources of CO<sub>2</sub> include travel, home heating, and our eating habits. There are a number of online programs that help to calculate your personal carbon footprint. The WWF Footprint Calculator is simple to use, quick to complete and gives a clear indication of your impact on the planet and suggestions about limiting further emissions. Great stuff! So have a go, and plant a tree or a shrub which will help soak up some carbon to offset some of your travel/heating etc!



#### **Shining Stars**

A group for pre-school children (0-4yrs) and their parents or carers. Returns on Tuesday 10 September at 10am-11:30am

For more info please email

[shiningstars@ststephens-ealing.org](mailto:shiningstars@ststephens-ealing.org)



#### **Tea Timers drop in cafe**

Runs most Fridays 2.30-4.00pm at church. Contact Jane Maffett

[Events@ststephens-ealing.org](mailto:Events@ststephens-ealing.org)

6 Sep - Welcome back!

13 Sep - Revolting Rhymes - celebrating Roald Dahl

20 Sep - Fashion memories

27 Sep - Getting to Know you and McMillan Tea Party

# People's Stories

## Dele Fasanya, Churchwarden



I was born into a Christian home and was a regular church goer. I moved to the 'countryside' – Ealing (from Maida Vale) in 1999 and started going to St Stephen's 8am communion service. I came to church regularly, got Communion and would leave without speaking to anyone (Sunday church attendance, check!)

In 2010, Sharon (my wife) and I had our first son and my world changed. I had a healthy bouncy baby boy and my happiness knew no bounds. I immediately wanted to get him christened and it was at that point I started thinking about my relationship with God because even though I was a regular church goer, in truth, I don't think that I really knew God. I started praying for 3 things – Health, Happiness & Holiness (in no particular order). I felt I was healthy, happy but not holy (i.e. giving my life to Christ) so I decided to start reading the Bible, reading Psalm 150 and Psalm 91 and a quote from the bible from bible.com every day and slowly with each quote I started my Christian journey. I also decided to be more active in church by talking to people, finding out their names (I had been coming to church for over 15 years and still struggled with names!), I also volunteered to be a Chalice Assistant and then Assistant Warden. My journey had truly begun but it was still lacking something.

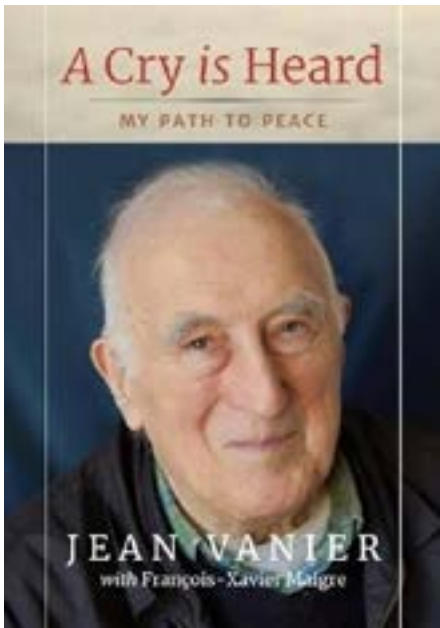
In 2018, after Sharon came home raving about the Alpha course, I started watching Alpha YouTube videos and I found it amazing. At about that time I also had a health scare that turned out to be nothing but in the months that I had the scare, the scriptures and the post Alpha connect group at St Stephens were extremely helpful with words of encouragement and prayers and I couldn't have made it through (mentally) without them. This journey has been challenging but as I was writing this I read this in a Christian journal I subscribe to

*"When we walk in faith with Christ daily, we can begin to recognize trials as growing pains. Our trust in God through the seasons that elude our understanding strengthens. Just as a marathon runner must train diligently over time, we must be all-in for this journey with Jesus in order to catch a glimpse of the wisdom that the pages of His Word contain. We become stronger, the more we surrender to Him. One verse a day. 5 minutes each morning. Church every Sunday. With every step we take, we get to know Him more. And that makes us strong. He is the strength that allows us to hold onto joy"*

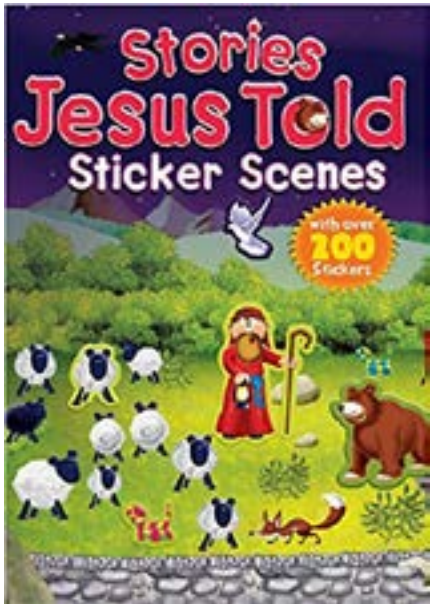
My journey continues!

# Bookstall

The Bookstall will re-open on Sunday 8th September  
Come and see our new stock of Bibles and books for all ages.



Part autobiography, part memoir, part call to action to walk a path to unity and peace, this new book by L Arche founder Jean Vanier is profoundly inspiring and filled with hope. Vanier s account of his life revolves around encountering difference and working constantly to build bridges and not walls: this is the path of peace. Indeed, says Vanier, a path to unity, fellowship, and peace is possible. True freedom grows from loving others and letting ourselves be loved. By accepting ourselves and others with all our weaknesses and all our gifts we find true inner freedom. In meeting those on the margins, we heal our own hearts and are able to work for a transformation of societies.



Illustrate your own Bible stories with this fantastic sticker scene book. Fill in the empty backgrounds with lots of fun characters, animals and scenery to help tell the story. The artwork is detailed and vibrant and the scenes can be as simple or complicated as you like so will keep children of all ages entertained for hours.

Please visit the Bookstall. As well as books to sell we have a selection of books you can borrow.

# Monthly Diary



September		
Sunday 1st	11:45am	Cafe Extra
Tuesday 3rd	8:00pm	First Tuesday Prayers and Praise
Sunday 8th	3:00pm	Hymns of Praise at St David’s
Tuesday 10th	10:00am	Shining Stars Returns
Wednesday 11th	8:00pm	Book Club
Sunday 15th	6:30pm	Open to God
Wednesday 15th	4:00pm	Communion at St David’s
Monday 23rd	7:45pm	Church Council Meeting
Thursday 26th	7:45pm	Alpha Starts
Saturday 28th	10:30am - 3:00pm	Craft Fair
Sunday 29th	9:00am 4:30pm	Community Cafe/Ealing Half Cafe Church

October		
Tuesday 1st	8:00pm	First Tuesday Prayers and Praise
Thursday 3rd/10th/17th/24th	7:45pm	Alpha
Sunday 6th	11:45am 6:30pm	Cafe Extra Open to God
Wednesday 9th	8:00pm	Book Club



# Prayer Requests

**Give thanks for:**

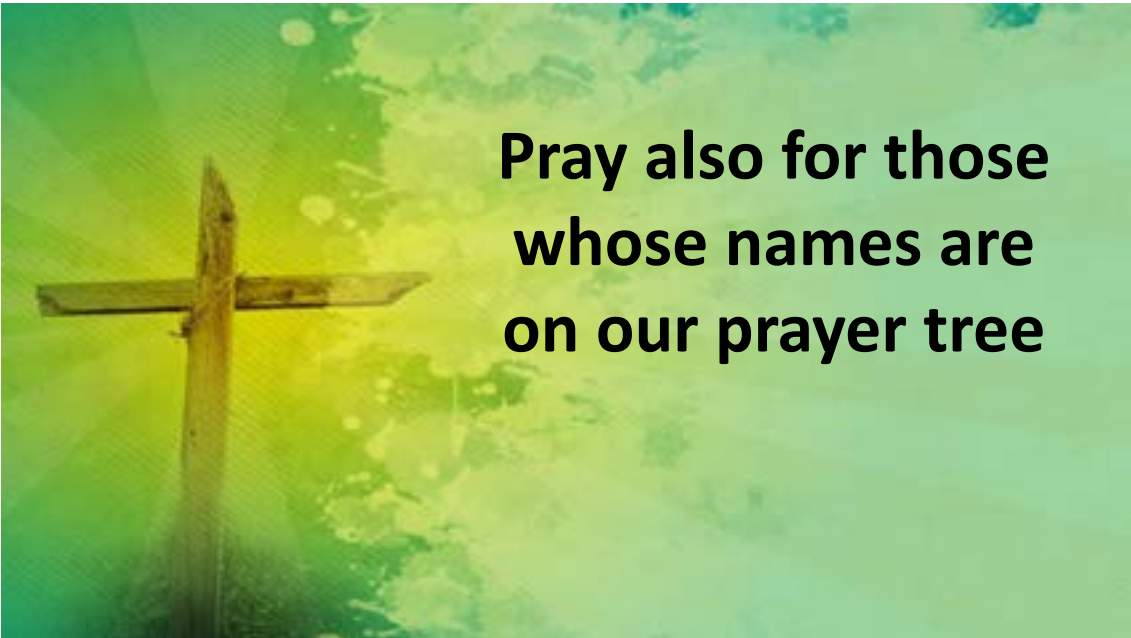
- Those who went to New Wine, Soul Survivor, Green Belt and other summer festivals and encountered God in new and powerful ways
- Those who have been on holiday
- Our Clergy and Lay Leaders
- Ash Abbott our former Worship Pastor
- Lucy and Arjun Mistry who were married here last month

**During this month please pray especially for:**

- Kristen and David Cload on the birth of Astrid and Marni and James Nolan on the birth Reilly
- The Ealing Half Marathon and those taking part
- Our newly appointed Worship Pastor, Jo Leeds

**Those who are sick and in special need:**

Gordon Couch, Pat Devereux, Alan and Jane Hanley, Jane Morris, Maisie Poulton, Ken Taylor and Ann, Fiona, Lorraine and Denise.



**Pray also for those  
whose names are  
on our prayer tree**

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# Worship & Prayer

## Discipleship

## Outreach

## Children & Youth

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