

St Leonard's Church, Wollaton

23 February 2025

Today's Service can be found on our website homepage <u>stleonardswollaton.org.uk</u>

St Leonard's @ 10am with Holy Communion

Lead Tim Pullen Talk David Hughes



Colossians 2:6-15 John 14: 15-26



Collect for the Second Sunday before Lent

Almighty God, give us reverence for all creation and respect for every person, that we may mirror your likeness in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Our vision is to be a joyful and vibrant church empowered by the Holy Spirit committed to sharing God's love with the wider community, welcoming partnership with others, so that all may be drawn in to the abundant life of Christ.

Find out more about us and what's going on at <u>www.stleonardswollaton.org.uk</u>

Dear members of St Leonard's,

You may be aware that our Rector, Tim, is retiring on Sunday the 27 th April after over a decade of ministry to St Leonard's and the local community. There will be opportunities to express our gratitude to him and Jo later, but we would like to acknowledge now, the huge contribution they have made to the life of this church over the years.

As we look for a new Rector, our aim is to gather views from young and old, new and longstanding members across all our regular services. As part of this process, we would like to invite you to one of two meetings:

- Thursday, 6 th March (11-1pm) in church (following a shortened 10:30am Service of Holy Communion)
- Sunday, 9 th March (12-2pm) in the Community Centre

These events will form a critical part of our discerning how God is leading us forwards. Please come ready to pray, reflect, and share, as we seek to listen to God and each other. A light lunch will be served at each event.

Whilst St Leonard's is without a Rector, the church will be managed by the Standing Committee and Resources Team (SCART), a sub-committee of the PCC. This team consists of Mike Smith, Mieneke Vine, Lisa Smith and Carol Barber and will now also include Lindy Jones and Elaine Thompson.

During this time, let's take every opportunity to pray; as individuals, families, Connect groups. There is also an opportunity each week at 9:30am before our Sunday services to come together as a church to seek God's help.

Please pray for God's blessing on Tim and Jo. Please pray for the members of SCART, that we would hear God clearly and make wise decisions. Pray for our church, that we would continue to rejoice in God's love, sharing it with whomever we meet. Pray for our future Rector, that God would envision and prepare them, to lead, encourage and challenge us.

With love and blessings,

Mike Smith & Mieneke Vine

(Churchwardens)

World Day of Prayer

Please join the Wollaton Churches for this year's World Day of Prayer on

Friday March 7th at 2.00 at St Thomas More's Church on Glenwood Avenue.

The service this year has been prepared by the women of the Cooke Islands and gives us a chance to learn about their lives in Christ.

Refreshments will be served after the service.

	Lent Course
* of Blessing ** ** ** * EASTER* * BASTER*	Based on Gospel extracts using the book 'Lent in Plain sight' by Jill J Duffield there will be a series of weekly sessions ran by the Wollaton Churches Together beginning Tuesday 11th March. A full list of dates can be found in the March edition of Link Magazine.
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Bags of Blessings Easter Appeal	The Book Group will next meet on
Please consider donating Easter crafts and	Thursday 6th March, 7.30pm at
chocolates to support Bags of Blessing Easter	The Rectory, 143 Russell Drive. We
Appeal.	are reading A Terrible Kindness by
The collection box in church will be collected by	Jo Browning Wroe. Further
17th March so please do bring your donations	information from Erica Bailey or Jo
before this date.	Pullen

"As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving".

Colossians 2:6-15

Thank you for joining us today at St Leonard's Church. If you would like to support our mission and ministry then please donate via the Parish Giving Scheme. This can be done via;

- Following the URL https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/ wollaton-st-leonard-nottingham/
- By telephone on 0333 002 1271
- Completing a gift form found on our website under the giving tab
- Or by scanning the QR code







The week ahead

Come for CoffeeTues10:00amHand bellsWed7:30pmOffice HourSecond Tues every month6-7pm

Wollaton Youth ClubTues5-6:30pmAt Kingswood ChurchToddler GroupThurs10:00amToddler GroupThurs1:30pm(Term time only)Thurs1:30pm

Worship Services Thursday 27th February St Leonard's @ 10:30am with Holy Communion

Sunday 2nd March St Leonard's @ 10am All Together St Leonard's @ 4pm with Holy Communion



Please Pray:

We each continue to pray for our five that they may explore Christian faith.

Dear God, we lift up the nations torn apart by war and suffering. Grant comfort to the broken hearted, strength to the weary and protection to the vulnerable.

We pray for the sick -Kathleen Price, King Charles III, Catherine Princess of Wales, Dr Jun, Kyle Burnet,

We remember the families of those who have died recently and pray for the families of, Joan Butler, Luigi Reale, Sarah Edward, Sheila Chambers

Funerals: Joan Butler, 25th February at 12:30 Sheila Chambers, 5th March at 12:30



Dates for your diary

Ash Wednesday Service St Leonard's Church, 7.30pm

Book Group Thursday 6th March, 7.30pm The Rectory, 143 Russell Drive



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