



St Leonard's Church, Wollaton



Living for Jesus

3 August 2025

Today's Service can be found on our website homepage
stleonardswollaton.org.uk

St Leonard's @ 10am *Kingdom Parables: The Wheat and the Weeds*

Lead Elaine Thompson Talk Trevor Hatton



Mathew 13: 24-29, 36-43

St Leonard's @ 4pm with Holy Communion

Lead Alison Brooks Talk Alison Brooks



1 Cor.14:1-19
Mark 6:45-52



Collect for the Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Generous God,
you give us gifts and make them grow:
though our faith is small as mustard seed,
make it grow to your glory
and the flourishing of your kingdom;
through 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
www.stleonardswollaton.org.uk

Interregnum Update

Following the completion of our Parish profile, the advert for our new Rector went live this week. Please pray for the process as we enter this new stage. Pray for our new Rector that as he / she reads our Parish profile they would have a deep sense of calling, excitement and vision about how God might be calling them to partner with us.

The date of the interview has been set for Friday the 3rd of October. This will be preceded by a Parish visit day on Thursday the 2nd of October. Candidates will visit the parish to gain a deeper sense of what it is like, meet with members of the congregation and visit some of the ministries going on. Please speak with Mieneke, Lindy or Carol if you would like to know more or offer help (you can also email the Church office). Whilst most of the activities will take place during the day, we hope to run an event in the early evening for those at work.

Mike Smith and Mieneke Vine
(Churchwardens)

A prayer for the interregnum:

Heavenly Father,

We thank you for the ministry of those who serve your Church, and for the gifts you pour out on us.

Be with us now in this time of vacancy and transition.

Strengthen and sustain those who are holding the life of St Leonard's together.

Show us all how we can play our part with grace, love and humility.

May we be a people of prayer, hope and unity, trusting in your timing and your will.

Guide and inspire all who are involved in seeking our new Rector.

Prepare the heart of the one you are calling to lead us, and prepare us to receive them with joy.

Renew us by your Spirit, and lead us forward together in your love.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

As we navigate the interregnum, good communication is really important. If you have any concerns, issues or queries about the running of the church please raise them directly with the churchwardens: slchurchwardens@gmail.com

Craft Groups runs every third Thursday of the month in the Community Centre, 7-9pm. All are welcome to bring a craft you are working on and enjoy coffee, cake and company!

Over the month of August, we'd love to involve more people in leading the intercessions during our Sunday services. Specifically on the 10th, 24th and 31st of August.

As our children's groups will be taking a break, we're aiming to keep the prayers simple and accessible – mindful that we may have more children present in the congregation. To help with this, we'll be following a simple TSP structure:

Thank you – giving thanks to God

Sorry – saying sorry for things that are wrong in the world or in ourselves

Please – asking for help for people and situations in need

You don't need to be an experienced public speaker, just willing to lead the church family in prayer. Please reach out to Natasha in the office if you're interested.

Loving God,

You are not confined to buildings or gathered crowds, but are present with us wherever we are.

We pray for those who long to be in church but cannot be.

Surround them with your presence. Let your peace rest gently upon them.

And may they know that they are still part of your family, still held in the prayers and love of your Church.

Draw near to every heart that seeks you today, whether in a pew or a quiet room, and remind us all that nothing can separate us from your love.

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Anointing with Oil and Prayer for Healing

Anointing with Oil and Prayer for Healing at Sunday 10am.

Communion Services will include anointing with oil with prayer for healing alongside the administration of Bread and Wine.

It seems very appropriate in the context of Communion when we receive bread and wine and remember Christ's body broken on the Cross and his blood poured out for our forgiveness to offer an anointing for healing and an empowering to serve Christ in our daily lives.

The act of Anointing will be accompanied by this short prayer; N, I anoint you in the name of God who gives you life. Receive Christ's forgiveness, his healing, and his love. May God our Father grant you his wholeness and his peace. AMEN.

The anointing with prayer for healing is voluntary. If you wish to receive anointing please give your name to the persons offering it. Please pray that people receiving Communion and Anointing may receive all the benefits of Christ's death and Resurrection.

Chair of the Community Centre – Volunteer Role

We're seeking a committed volunteer to lead the strategic management of our Centre, while acting as a link to St Leonard's Church, and ensuring the Centre remains a vibrant community hub. To express interest, email: slwollaton@gmail.com



The week ahead

Come for Coffee	Tues	10:00am
Hand bells	Wed	7:30pm
Bell Ringing Practice	Thurs	7:30pm

Wollaton Youth Club	Tues	5-6:30pm
<i>At Kingswood Church</i>		
Toddler Group	Thurs	10:00am
Toddler Group	Thurs	1:30pm
(Term time only)		

Worship Services

Thursday 7th August
St Leonard's @ 10:30am with Holy Communion

Sunday 10th August
St Leonard's @ 10am with Holy Communion



Dates for your diary

The main church building is open during the day.

You are welcome to come in to look around or to spend time in quiet reflection and prayer



Please Pray:

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

We remember the tens of thousands of children across the UK who are in need of stable and nurturing foster families. In this time of great need and shortage, we pray that the right homes will be found and they be filled with patience, kindness, and understanding.

We pray for *the sick* -
Kathleen Price, Dr Jun,
Bob Keen, Paul Asher, Ted Duncton,
Barbara Myatt

We remember *the families of those who have died recently and pray for the families of, Eric Whiles, Pat Bloor*

Funerals:
Pat Bloor, 15th August at 10:30am



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