



Rule of Life 3 and 4
- Tell (23rd) and Treasure (30th)

Services 23 October: last after Trinity

8.00am	BCP Communion
10.00am	Holy Communion + Children's Church
3.00pm	St Matthew's Asian Congregation in the Centre
3.45pm	BCP Evensong
6.30pm	Church Hill Praise

Services 30 October: 4 before Advent

8.00am	BCP Communion
10.00am	Holy Communion + Children's Church
	No afternoon service – fifth Sunday
3.00pm	St Matthew's Asian Congregation in the Centre
6.30pm	Church Hill Praise

24-29 October

It's half term – no toddlers, Brownies, Guides or Alpha

Mon 24	2.00	Craft Group	Centre
Tue 25	8.45	morning prayer	Church
	8.00	Ladies' Fellowship	Centre
Wed 26	10.00	Midweek communion	Church
Thu 27	8.45	morning prayer	Church
Fri 28	9.30	<i>The Light Party</i> Holiday Club	Centre
Sat 29	10.00	Prayer Hour	Church
	10.00	Open morning	Church
	7.30	Urban Spirit	Blue Coat

31 October – 5 November

Mon 31	2.00	Craft Group	Centre
Tue 1	8.45	morning prayer	Church
	8.00	Messy Church Planning	Centre
Wed 2	9.30	toddler group	Centre
	10.00	Midweek communion	Church
	6.00	Brownies	Centre
	7.30	Guides	Centre
Thu 3	8.45	morning prayer	Church
	7.30	Alpha session #5	Centre
Fri 4	8.45	Blue Coat Comp service	Church
Sat 5	10.00	Prayer Hour	Church
	10.00	Open morning	Church

Notices

Holiday Club this Friday! A brilliant alternative to Halloween, *The Light Party* is on Friday 28 October 9.30am-12.30pm. Children will learn about Jesus the Light of the World through fun, games, crafts and songs. Cost £3 per child. Registration forms are in church today. CRB checked helpers needed! Please sign up at the Welcome Table.

A Message from Lee Norfolk: Hello St Matthews Congregation! Thanks for the warm welcome at St Matthew's which I have received! I'm so pleased to have joined such a vibrant church with different services and communities. I'm settling in Ok to life here and look forward to get to know you all even more as time continues. I believe God's going to do some amazing things here bringing new generations of Youth to St Matthew's and restoration of families in the wider Community. Please support me and pray for me!

The Hub have relocated from St Paul's to Stafford Street, the old White Mountain Ski Shop. They hope to reopen the shop by next weekend.

Shoebox appeal. Once more we are supporting the Samaritan's Purse appeal to give presents in a shoebox to children who would otherwise not get anything at all for Christmas. Look out for more information and start saving your shoeboxes now! Deadline Sunday 13 November.

Crossways Nursing Home Ann Walton has had a request for people to go and read to the residents. If you feel you are willing and able to do this please see Ann in church or ring her on 01922 625718.

The Vine: *Vines* restaurant is taking bookings for Christmas. Work parties, Church groups or a cosy meal for two, Christmas at *Vines* will not disappoint. Group organisers for parties of 15 or more get a meal free if you book before 31 October.

Food, Toys, Clothing: A needy family with five children is **still** without any support in spite of protracted efforts. Please don't stop giving food, clothes and toys to a needy family in the box in the porch marked OLU.

The Glebe Centre has written to thank us for our Harvest gifts to feed needy people. Please see their letter on the notice board in the porch.

The Rock Book Stall offers value Christian books & gifts from only £1! Used & new Discounted Books – Gifts – Children's Books – Bibles — Cards. Every 1st, 3rd & 5th Saturday in the month 10am-12.

QUIZ 19 November: There will be another quiz to test your general knowledge at St Matthew's Centre on Saturday November 19th. Come along at 7.15 for a prompt 7.30 start. Teams of up to six, £1 per person. There will be light refreshments, or bring your own drinks if you like. There are no advance ticket sales but please let John and Enid Pryce-Jones know (01922 723719) if you are definitely coming along.

Coffee Morning 19 November 10am-12 in St Matthew's Centre. Hosted by St Matthew's Craft Group, there will be cakes, gifts and crafts on sale to start off your Christmas. Admission £1 includes tea/coffee and biscuit.

Forthcoming events:

Saturday 12 Nov	Messy Praise	Centre
Sunday 13 Nov	Remembrance Sunday	Church/town
Monday 14 Nov	Blue Coat Festival week starts	
Wednesday 16 Nov	More Tea Vicar	Centre
Saturday 19 Nov	Craft Group Coffee Morning	
	Quiz Night	Centre

Services 6 November: 3 before Advent

8.00am	BCP Communion
10.00am	All-age Worship: <i>theme – introducing communion</i>
12 noon	shortened BCP communion
3.00pm	St Matthew's Asian Congregation in the Centre
6.30pm	Church Hill Praise

Theme – Keep me burning, Matthew 25:1-13

For Your Prayers...

Give thanks for a very positive start to Faithworks' Night Café outreach to youth in our Centre on Friday nights.

Making Christ Known: Pray for the Light Party Holiday Club to be a great blessing to Walsall Children this half term, for the leaders and helpers.

The World: village chak 34 in Pakistan: this Christian village has been burned down by Islamic extremists. Members of our Asian congregation grew up there. Pray too for a new start for the people of Libya.

For Healing: Margaret Eddowes, Margaret Walker, Pamela Brown, Ray Chamberlain's mum Win, baby Ellie Chapman, Pauline Shepherd, Brian White, Pauline Bayley, William Bates, Patricia Smyth, Barry McEwan, Andrew Taylor, Doreen Hammond, Hazel Joyce, Felicity Clarkson.

Rest in Peace: Bishop Clive's father who has just died. All named in our memorial book, all those who have lost their lives in Afghanistan.

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