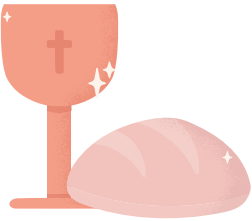


Families Newsletter

February 2025



Sunday worship for families



The Junction is a short family focussed service that meets on Sunday mornings. Here are the February themes.

On **2nd February** the Junction will meet at 9.15am in the Oliver Bird Hall for a very special service to celebrate Candlemas. Come along and hear Unstoppable Anna tell her story, we'll make a bookmark and at the end of the session we'll make our way up to the church building to gather around the Candlemas window to bless the Junction candles for the year ahead. Why not bring along a special candle from home to be blessed – maybe your baptism candle.

On **9th February** everyone will meet in the church building at 9.15am for **All age worship** including a welcome to children who will be attending the First Communion course. We will be welcoming our Parish Puppets to help us explore the shape and content of our services of Holy Communion.

On **16th February** the Junction will meet at 9.15am in the Oliver Bird Hall and will be thinking about loving God and loving others.

On **23rd February** the Junction will be joining the Sunday club at St Helen's Church, St Helen's Road, B91 2DA (off Buryfield Road) at 10am. We'll be continuing to think about love and will be doing lots of fun activities.

Parish pancake party

Parish Pancake Party Saturday 1st March 5.00pm in the Oliver Bird Hall. There will be cakes for sale, a tombola for the children, lots of pancakes to eat. £5 per family (pay on the night). Join a team for the pancake tossing races or sit back and enjoy the fun!



Messy Church



The next Messy Church session is on **Friday 28th February 4-6pm** at St Helen's Church, St Helen's Road, B91 2DA (off Buryfield Road). We will be celebrating the visit of the wise men. Activities for families of all shapes and sizes with lots of hands-on, crafty fun - followed by a celebration including a story and a prayer. We'll finish with a tasty hot tea for everyone!

Cost: £2 per person, max £7 per family. Booking is essential so e mail Linda l.hicks@solihullparish.org.uk to secure your place.

First Communion preparation for children in school Yr 3 upwards

First Communion will be launched during the all age service at St Alphege on 9th February when the children will be welcomed. The fun and interactive preparation sessions will be on Sunday afternoons 2.30pm-3.30pm on 2nd, 9th and 23rd March, 6th and 27th April. There will be a rehearsal on the afternoon of 4th May and the children will be admitted to receive First Communion during the 9.15am all age service at St Alphege on 11th May. For further information or to receive an Application form contact Linda Hicks

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Praise and Play

Praise and Play meets every Friday morning in the Oliver Bird Hall 9.30am-10.30am for a mix of songs, a Bible story, a craft, toys and chat. Come along and join in the fun and enjoy a hot drink and a biscuit. E mail Linda l.hicks@solihullparish.org.uk for more information.



Pause and Pray



Pause and Pray meets every Monday morning in term time. This as a time for parents and carers to pause in Room 5 of the Oliver Bird Hall immediately after school drop off to enjoy pastries and good coffee together and reflect on the week ahead. We would love you to join

us! 😊

