

# Families Newsletter January 2025



## Sunday worship for families

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

On a snowy **5th January** the Junction met at **9.15am in the Oliver Bird Hall.** We celebrated Epiphany and the visit of the Wise men and we made crowns. The Parish puppet team joined us and performed three fantastic songs. Sorry if you missed it!

On **12th January** everyone will meet together in the church building at **9.15am** for a very special **Baptism themed All age worship.** 

On **19th January** the **Junction will meet at 9.15am in the Oliver Bird Hall** We'll be hearing about a very special wedding when Jesus turned water into wine.

On **26th January** the Junction will be at **St Helen's Church,** St Helen's Road, B91 2DA (off Buryfield Road) at **10am**. We'll be doing lots of fun activities.





#### **Messy Church**

There will be a special Epiphany themed Messy Church session on **Friday 17th January 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

<u>I.hicks@solihullparish.org.uk</u> 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 <a href="Lhicks@solihullparish.org.uk">Lhicks@solihullparish.org.uk</a>

#### **Praise and Play**

Praise and Play will restart on Friday morning **10th January** 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 <a href="mailto:l.hicks@solihullparish.org.uk">l.hicks@solihullparish.org.uk</a> for more information.

### **Toy Collection**

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the toy collection. If you have received duplicate toys as Christmas presents do think about donating them to next year's Toy collection.