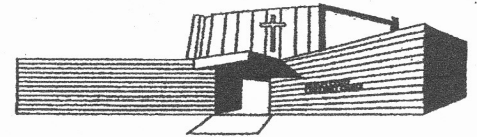
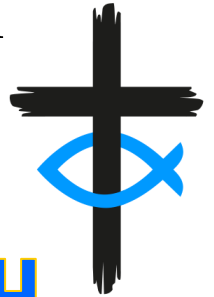


# Weoley Castle Community Church Newsletter



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## WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS MONTH

### Advice and Support Café

At Weoley Castle Community Church

Every second Thursday of the month  
10am til 1pm

Bringing organisations together to offer  
free and professional advice to the  
local community.

Offering Advice on areas including:

- Finance
- Benefits
- Housing
- Legal Matters
- Unemployment
- Mental Well-being
- Pregnancy Loss Support
- Carers Support

Weoley Castle Community Church 115 Quarry  
Road, Weoley Castle B29 5LE  
For more information: 07505 521302  
advicecafeweoleycastle@gmail.com



### Advice and Support Café

This month we see the advice and support café, with new organisations on board we will be able to offer all kinds of professional advice from legal matters and debt management, to benefit help and employment services. It includes a an area to sit and chill with a drink and cake. Simply call in on **Thursday 8th March between 10 am and 1pm** or call Mark on **07505521302** for more information. Whatever you come for there will be a welcome and a listening ear, plus there is space for confidential conversations.

All this is free so come along and see what is on offer.

### GOOD FRIDAY HAPPENING

On Good Friday morning we are holding our annual happening, with crafts, drama, food and fun. Children of all ages are welcome though we do ask for under 7's to be accompanied by an adult. It's an informal opportunity to look at

the Easter using lots of different crafts, such as Easter Gardens, chocolate nests, tattoos and much more. Those used to Messy Church will love this too. It takes place from 10am to around midday when the children will act out an Easter drama. See you there !!

**Find out more about Weoley Castle and its people:**

[weoleycastlechurch.co.uk](http://weoleycastlechurch.co.uk)

[www.stonehousegang.co.uk](http://www.stonehousegang.co.uk)

[www.shenleyacademy.org.uk](http://www.shenleyacademy.org.uk)

[weoleycastlecommunitychurch.urc.org.uk](http://weoleycastlecommunitychurch.urc.org.uk)

## ARTS CAFÉ AT WEOLEY CASTLE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Each month, on the fourth Thursday, the church is turned into a family friendly arts venue, with music, painting, drawing, knitting, poetry or whatever your craft is, coming together to make a place that is fun and creative. Led by Northfield Arts Forum, everyone is welcome to have a go or to simply relax and enjoy the atmosphere and some pay as you feel food and refreshments. It runs from 10am to 1pm. Hope to see on March 22nd !!



## COME AND PLAY



From 7pm on the 17th March the Birmingham Rep Theatre will be bringing their amazing play, Elephant, to Weoley Castle. Entry is free so come along with friends and family to experience this intense and thought-provoking production. Be aware the play is aimed at 15 years and over.

For tickets call 0121 222222

Just turn up on the night - all free!

## JOBS FAIR

On **Tuesday 20th March** the DWP, from Selly Oak Jobcentre will be coming to the church. There will be an opportunity to talk with experts, find out what jobs are available and see what you need to do to improve your chances to gain employment. There will also be employers who are looking to recruit. There is a focus upon the over 50's, though it is not exclusive. The event will take place here at Weoley Castle Community Church from **10am to 12 noon**.



# CONTACTS

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**MINISTER :** Please use the contact details below for any enquiries, thank you !

**COMMUNITY MINISTER :** Mark Tubby.....07505521302...crcwm4wccc@gmail.com

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## REGULAR ACTIVITIES

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>Family Worship—everyone welcome Holy Communion - 2nd Sunday each month</b>
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>10.00am 12.00 noon 1.30pm 5.30pm</b>	<b>Day Centre Lunch Club Over 60's Keep Fit (Gentle Exercise) Karate</b>
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>6.00pm 7.30pm</b>	<b>Children's Club (TFC) 7-11yrs (Term Time) Youth Club (12+)</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>9.15am 5.00pm</b>	<b>Parent &amp; Toddler Group (Term Time) Elite Dance Academy</b>
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>10.00am 5.30pm</b>	<b>Advice &amp; Support Café (Various) Karate</b>
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>9.15am 10.00am 12.00 noon 1.30pm 3.30pm 5.00pm</b>	<b>Parent &amp; Toddler Group (Term Time) Day Centre Lunch Club Cardiac Club Messy Church (once each half term) Elite Dance Academy</b>
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>9.00am</b>	<b>Elite Dance Academy</b>

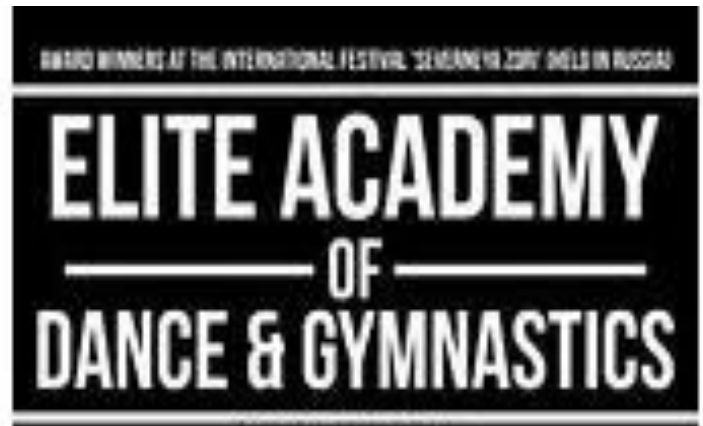
**Marriages, Funerals and Baptisms by Arrangement**

# OTHER EVENTS / ACTIVITIES



**Free Hearing Aid Battery Replacement**—This service is still be available here on **Mon, Wed & Friday** between **9.30am and 2pm**. Ask for Christine Hopkins.

Run by Yvonne and Oleg Tep-litski, Elite offers children **3—18 yrs** old a chance to learn many different dance styles such as ballet, tap, modern, and much more. If you are interested contact Yvonne on **07787062248** for more details, or drop in and speak to her.



## THIS MONTH'S FUNNIES

### Waiter, Waiter Jokes

Waiter, waiter, is there soup on the menu? *No sir, I wiped it off*

Waiter, waiter, I've just swallowed a fish bone! *Are you choking?* No I'm serious!

Waiter, waiter, will my pizza be long? *No sir: round.*

Waiter, waiter, how long will my sausages be? *About 3 inches.*

Waiter, waiter, this coffee tastes like mud! *Well it was ground just this morning.*

Waiter, waiter, bring me some tea without milk. *I'm sorry: we are out of milk - would you like it without cream instead?*

Waiter, waiter, I don't like this cheese with holes! *We'll leave the holes on the side of your plate.*

Waiter, waiter, this egg is bad! *Don't blame me: I only laid the table.*

Waiter, waiter, this soup tastes funny. *Why aren't you laughing about it?*



**The church halls are available to hire for parties and events - contact Mark on 0121 475 3841 for more details**

# CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday 4th March	11.00am	Alan Cotgreave
Sunday 11th March (Communion)	11.00am	Rev John Marsh
Sunday 18th March	11.00m	Frank Challenor
Sunday 25th March (Palm Sunday)	11.00am	Rev Donald Sampson
Thursday 29th March	8.00pm	Rev Ernest Cruchley
Sunday 1st April	11.00am	Andy Vail

Morning Prayers take place on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from  
9.15—9.45am All welcome

On Wednesday morning at 10am we are welcome to join St Gabriel's

Next WCC Elders Meeting Wednesday 21st March 7.30pm

## CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

Please remember Miles and Christine in your thoughts & your prayers.

Let me know of your birthdays and I will add them in here, it's good to remember all those associated with the church community.

Please also think of Hilary Littlejohns as she settles into her new home in Norwich.



# OTHER ACTIVITIES

**Sunday 18 March**

7.30 – 9.00 p.m.

Cotteridge Church

Pershore Road South, Birmingham B30 3EJ

**Political Night Prayer** bringing together  
our concerns about living with difference and our  
hope in God's inclusivity



## Beyond Brexit

**Dalit Solidarity & the Churches' Dalit Support Group**

**Doing Theology in a Strange Land:  
insights from Dalit Theology into Caste Discrimination  
in India and Britain (Psalm 137, vs 4)**

Queens Foundation, Somerset Road, Birmingham B15 2QH  
Friday April 27<sup>th</sup>, 10.30 till 4 pm - Cost £15

**Speakers: Revd Dr Vincent Manoharan  
Revd Dr Israel Selvanayagam  
Chair: Revd Dr Inderjit Bhogal**



**The Fair Tax Mark –  
A Tool for Tax Justice?**

church action for  
**tax justice**

**Main Speaker Richard Livings  
Project Manager, the Fair Tax Mark  
Unity Trust Bank (also invited)**

8<sup>th</sup> floor, Church of England Diocesan Office, 1 Colmore Row, B3 2BJ  
(just by Snow Hill Station)

Monday March 19<sup>th</sup>, 6.30 – 8.30 pm  
(hot drinks available from 6 pm, bring your own food)

# FROM WEOLEY HILL CHURCH

The Church at Weoley Hill also has events and activities to join in:



There is a monthly Lunch Club, ask for Nancy Nicholls. The next one takes place on **Wednesday 7th March at 1.00pm.**

The Friendship Group are next meeting on **Wednesday 14th March at 2.30pm.**

The Community Choir meets weekly in the church on **Fridays at 6.30pm** and all are welcome.

From **Feb 21st**, there will be some weekly Lent Talks starting at **7.00pm.** These will take place at Selly Oak Methodist each week.

Women's World Day of Prayer service here at **10.30am on 2nd March**

Services are each **Sunday at 10.30am** and anyone is welcome to join us.

For details of these and more events contact Cheryl Thornett on email **cherylthornett@hotmail.com**

# AND FROM BEAUMONT ROAD

Beaumont Road, in Bournville, also part of the pastorate has events too:



On 2nd and 4th **Thurs** there will be a quiet space for meditation from **3—4pm.**

**Sunday** Services begin at **10.30am** and all are welcome.

Contact Jim Garrow if you would like more details on **jgarrow7@btinternet.com**

# THE WORLD OF CRCW

Well, another exciting year on the cards as we are joined by Kirsty for 6 months. She will be working alongside me here, looking to move things forward and add to what's already being done. I'm sure you'll see her around. One thing she is looking to do is to produce a directory of all that goes on in Weoley Castle and the surrounding area. So, if you are part of a group locally, or know of something that is happening, do let her know, it will inform us all of what is going on so that we can publicise things better. We have had another fun



Messy Church, exploring love and what that is and how we show it. Watch out for the next one. In between we will have the Good Friday Happening, which is similar, so you're very welcome to come along to that, see the front page.



Our groups and clubs continue, though new members are always welcome, see inside for what happens each week and for contact details. The next Love Weoley meeting will be taking place on Thursday 22nd March here at the church, so come along and get involved. We are looking to make Weoley Castle an even better place to live and work so if you have ideas of how we can do this then we need you. There is



an Awards night planned as part of this, looking to celebrate our local heroes. So, if you know of someone who goes above and beyond, someone who has quietly got on with doing something positive for many years or someone you feel we should recognise for their achievements or service then do get in touch. The Awards event will take place on **Wednesday 23rd May** at Shenley Academy, so put in in your diary now. Meanwhile, I'll hopefully see you around.

*Mark Tubby CRCW*

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in Communities and the Church

