Welcome to St Andrew's Church Handsworth

If you are a visitor thank you for joining us for the service. We are a very friendly and warm community. We hope you will enjoy the service and be filled with God's love. We will pray for you and your loved ones. We hope to see you with us again.

June 11th - First Sunday after Trinity

10.00 am: Family Eucharistic Celebration Led by: Fr Paskal Chalice: Alison Intercessor: Sunday School

Hymn numbers 834 811 413 176 52

First Reading: Genesis 12:1-9

Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. Abram took his wife Sarai and his brother's son Lot, and all the possessions that they had gathered, and the persons whom they had acquired in Haran; and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan, Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. Then the Lord appeared to Abram, and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built there an altar to the Lord, who had appeared to him. From there he moved on to the hill country on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; and there he built an altar to the Lord and invoked the name of the Lord. And Abram journeyed on by stages toward the Negeb.

Second Reading: Romans 4:13-end

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") - in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall vour descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust

made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our

Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Gospel: Luke 4: 14-20

Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about him spread through the whole countryside. He was teaching in their synagogues, and everyone praised him. He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written: "The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour." Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him. He began by saying to them, "Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing."

Notices

Parish Vision Day

Saturday, June 17th from 11 am till 1 pm in the church. Do come and share your ideas to help us develop our parish vision and mission statement. It is open to everyone, but especially for the PCC members. Fr Paskal

Healing Service with the Eucharist

Healing service with the Eucharist starts on Sunday, June 18th. Then every third Sunday of the month. It is a long tradition in the Church to have a healing service with the Eucharist. There is an anointing with the holy oil. Fr Paskal

Prayer for the sick or those in need of prayer: David and Stephanie Carthew, Nancy Loveridge, Gill Ludford, Edmond Griffin, Linda Daniels, Gloria Boothe, Gloria James, Judi, Monica, Jackie Bond, Janet Whyte, Harry Wilkes, Sheila Bott, Joshua, Angela Cross, Dawn McKintosh, Deb Jones, Derek Black and family, Jacqueline Cole, Caroline P, Loren Haigh, Nancy Forbes, Beverly and Elaine Mitchell, Rachel, Judith, Elaine, Adeola, Margaret H, Steve W, Fideles, Rachel Turvey, Francesca Mpofu. **Recently Departed:** Amy Carthew.

Anniversary of Death: Betty Tonks, Rudolph Hyman, Valerie

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