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in Christian faith,
confidence and calling.*

Newsletter May – July 2026

JOINT OVERSIGHT AREA SERVICES

Ascension Day Service: Thursday 14th May, 7:30pm at Hampton Church
A service of Holy Communion with choir from across the oversight area.

Pentecost Praise: Sunday 24th May, 4pm at Temple Balsall

An open-air service for all ages on the lawn at Temple Balsall. Come and pray for our parishes as we gather together to worship and celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit.

Temple Balsall

- **Sunday Teas:** First Sunday of the month, May–September, 2:30pm – 4:30pm at The Old Hall.
- **Summer Fair:** Saturday 6th June, 12pm – 4pm on the lawn of Temple House. Stalls include books, 'Elegant Clutter', tombola, plant stall, home-made cakes & produce.

Barston

- **St Swithin's Weekend:** 11th & 12th July, 10:30am – 4pm. Flowers and craftwork in church, refreshments in house and garden. On the Sunday at 10:30am there will be an outdoor service with worship band followed by ploughman's lunch. Bishop Esther will be preaching.
- **Bell ringing:** Thursday evenings 6:45 – 8pm. Contact Mary Daymond (Bell Captain) on 07717 009251 / 01675 523951. Generally Year 6 upwards (height requirement), no upper age limit.
- **Big Breakfasts:** St Swithin's House on Saturdays 9th May, 13th June. 8:30am – 11am. £10 adults, £5 children. Cereal, fruit, pancakes, full English, toast, tea/coffee.

Hampton-in-Arden

- Tea & Toast Stay & Play: Fridays 9am – 10:15am, 8th & 22nd May, 5th & 19th June, 10th July.
- Ladies' Breakfast: Saturday 16th May, 20th June, 18th July, 9am – 10am.
- Open-Air Service & Picnic: Sunday 5th June, 11am.
- Church Open Day: Saturday 13th June, 10am – 2pm.

Bickenhill

- Sunday Services at 11am.

Marston Green

- May Market: Saturday 16th May, 10am – 2pm, Parish Hall.
- Scout Gala: Saturday 20th June, 12:15pm – 3pm, Parish Hall. Parade 12:30pm
- Marston Green & Bickenhill Parish Council Fun Day: Saturday 18th July, 12pm – 4pm, Recreation Ground.

Balsall Common

- The Bereavement Journey: Tuesdays 7:15pm – 9pm for 7 weeks starting 2nd June. Email vicar@spcbalsall.org.uk to book a free place.
- Yoga Wellbeing Club: Free, for school years 10–13. Tuesdays 3:45pm – 4:45pm during term-time.
- Warm Welcome Cafe: Thursdays 2pm – 4pm with free refreshments.
- Teeny Tinies and Toddlers: Fridays 1:30pm – 3pm during term-time. £3 per adult includes homemade cake and coffee.
- Youth Group: Fridays 8th May, 12th June, 10th July, 7pm – 8:30pm.

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- Choral Evensong: Sunday 17th May, 4:30pm. Singers from across the oversight area are welcome to join. Rehearsals Friday 15th May at 7pm and Sunday 17th May 3pm. Music available from davidpickering84@gmail.com.
- Friday Night Girls Night: 5th June, 7pm.
- Green Fair: Saturday 6th June, 10am – 12pm.
- Songs of Praise style service: Sunday 21st June, 4pm.
- Dinner Dance at Hogarths: Thursday 10th July, 7pm. Tickets £75 include welcome drink, 3 course dinner and live band.