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### Mothers' Union Aim, Purpose and Objectives

Our **aim** and **purpose** is to demonstrate the Christian faith in action by the transformation of communities worldwide through the nurture of family in its many forms. Members do this by working towards five **objectives**:

- Promoting and supporting marriage.
- Encouraging parents in their role to develop the faith of their children.
- Maintaining a worldwide fellowship of Christians united in prayer, worship and service.
- Promoting conditions in society favourable to stable family life and the protection of children.
- Helping those whose family life has met with adversity.

**Mothers' UNION**  
Christian care for families

Diocese of Birmingham

**ST ALPHEGE SOLIHULL**

# PROGRAMME

## January - December 2019

*Theme for 2019*

**'Listen, observe, act - in step with God'**

### The Mothers' Union Prayer

Loving Lord,  
we thank you for your love so freely given to us all.  
We pray for families around the world.  
Bless the work of the Mothers' Union  
as we seek to share your love  
through the encouragement, strengthening  
and support of marriage and family life.  
Empowered by your Spirit,  
may we be united in prayer and worship,  
and in love and service  
reach out as your hands across the world.  
In Jesus' name.  
Amen.

# Programme - January to December 2019

## JANUARY

- Thur 3 1.30pm OBH *125 Years of Mothers' Union in Birmingham*  
- an illustrated talk by Susan Leach.
- Thur 17 10.30am in church *Corporate Communion* including *Wave of Prayer* followed by **Annual General Meeting** (in church).

## FEBRUARY

- Thur 7 1.30pm OBH *Women at Arms : Women in the British Army?*  
- Padre Stuart Richards, Chaplain to the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, The Royal Regiment of Fusiliers.
- Sat 16 11.00am Birmingham Cathedral *Commissioning Service* for the Diocesan President and Trustees.

## MARCH

- Sat 2** 5.00pm OBH **PARISH PANCAKE PARTY.**
- Thur 7 1.30pm OBH *St Alphege Pre School*  
- a talk by Meryl Homer MBE.

## APRIL

- Thur 4 1.00pm OBH *Lunch* followed at 2pm by *Lent Meditation* with Revd Dr Sam Gibson.
- Sat 6 10.00am Carrs Lane *Spring Members' Meeting (Diocesan Council).*

## MAY

- Thur 2 1.30pm OBH *Australia - Journeys in the Outback*  
- an illustrated talk by Susan Leach.
- TBA TBA *Diocesan Afternoon Tea.*

## JUNE

- Thur 6 1.30pm OBH *Strawberry Tea and time to talk.* Bring a favourite trinket.

## JULY

- Thur 4 12.00pm *Lunch at The Bear* in Berkswell, and a *Tour of Berkswell Church.*

## AUGUST

### NO MEETING IN AUGUST.

- Fri 9 *Mary Sumner Day* : Day of Prayer for Mothers' Union.

## SEPTEMBER

- Thur 5 1.30pm OBH *The Role of Diocesan President.* A talk by Deirdre Moll.
- 17 - 18 *Mothers' Union General Meeting* in Portsmouth.

## OCTOBER

- Thur 3 1.30pm OBH *Bishop Anne* will visit us if her diary allows.

## NOVEMBER

- Thur 7 1.30pm OBH *A Talk by a Local Historian.*
- Sat 16 10.00am Carrs Lane *Autumn Members' Meeting (Diocesan Council).*

## DECEMBER

- Thur 5 1.00pm OBH *Lunch* followed at 2pm by *Advent Meditation* with Fr Simon.

Birmingham Mothers' Union website:  
[www.muenterprises.org/birmingham/](http://www.muenterprises.org/birmingham/)

Do join us for

### Corporate Communion

Third Thursday at 10.30am in St Alphege Church