



News-sheet Gemeindebrief February



Bless the Lord, O my soul
and all that is within me
bless his holy name.

Psalm 103 v. 1

For the healing of the nations

For those affected by the coronavirus outbreak in China.
For those who care for the sick and the bereaved.
For those who work to prevent pandemics.

Support St. Catherine's...

Thank you to those who responded to last month's call to support St. Catherine's in practical or financial ways. If there are particular skills or talents you have and would like to share, speak to Kara.



Baptism opportunity...

A service is planned for March. If any adult or child would like to be baptised talk to Kara as soon as...

Confirmation opportunity...

A service is planned for November. If anyone aged 15 plus would like to be confirmed talk to Kara as soon as ...

For your prayers:

For those in the congregation undergoing treatment or praying for and supporting family members who are ill or awaiting test results.



Weltgebetstag - World Day of Prayer

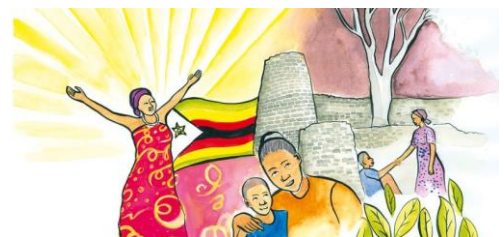
Informed Prayer – prayerful action † At Home – globally and locally † Connecting people in over 120 countries of all ages and across faiths

This year's World Day of Prayer is on Friday, 6th March 2020. The Markuskirche in Stuttgart-Süd, Filderstraße 22/Ecke Römerstraße is acting as host this year for our area. The country which provided the liturgy this year and which we are focussing on is Zimbabwe. Everybody is invited to attend.

Should you wish to be involved in the preparation of the service you are also invited to attend any or all of the evenings proposed: Tuesday 4th February at 7 pm and Tuesday 11th February at 7 pm. For more information ask Lauris, who is our church representative for the Weltgebetstag.

Zimbabwe means 'House of Stones' and it is located in Southern Africa. It is a landlocked country that lies between the Limpopo River in the south and the mighty Zambezi River in the north. Harare is the capital city and also the seat of government, while Bulawayo is the second largest city. The country has an estimated population of about 16 million people and 16 official languages. English, Shona and Ndebele are the most widely used.

Under the motto of "Rise! Take your Mat and Walk", using material developed by a team from Zimbabwe, we are invited through worship to learn more about that country and to pray for all those who live there.



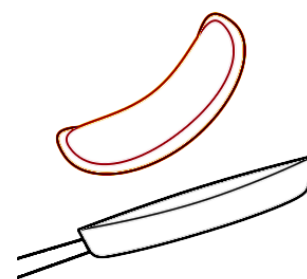
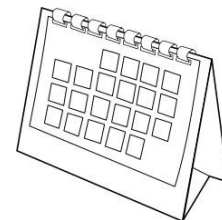
Upcoming events

Items in italics are for your prayers and for your information.

- Wednesdays - 19:30: **Bible Study** check website for exact details.
- *Thursday 6th February – Kleiderkammer – (donations not currently needed)*
- Saturday 8th February – **Prayer breakfast** – 09:15 – Anglican Centre
- Thursday 13th February – **Men's Pub Night** – 19:00 - Sophie's Brauhaus, Marienstraße 28 , 70178 Stuttgart – e-mail pints@stcatherines-stuttgart.de for more details.
- Thursday 20th February – **Women's Group** – 10:00 – Anglican Centre
- *Thursday 20th February – Kleiderkammer – (donations not currently needed)*
- *Friday 21st February & Saturday 22nd February – CAECG Training Safeguarding Trainers Help* with making coffee needed for one hour on Friday and Saturday. Contact Kara if you can help.
- Sunday 23rd February – **Pancake Sunday** – after church – helpers needed – all types of pancakes welcome – check the website/e-mails for further details.
- Wednesday 26th February – **Ash Wednesday** - check website for exact details. Most likely, as last year, we will join with the Old Catholics for a service and fish supper.

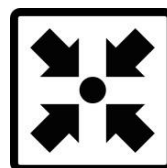
Tuesday 3rd March - 19:00 - **LEGS Ladies' Evening Group, Stuttgart** – e-mail legs@stcatherines-stuttgart.de for more details.

- Friday 6th March – **Weltgebetstag** – Markuskirche – 19:00 (tbc)



Meeting with the Chaplain

Usual office hours, along with the Church Administrator, Thursdays 09:30-11:00. Most people prefer to make an appointment for a time of their choosing –just e-mail chaplain@stcatherines-stuttgart.de



Informal German Conversation

Resuming Monday 17th February from 19.00 - 20.00 in Anglican Centre

Welcoming anyone, including native speakers, to help members of the congregation and local

refugees improve their language skills.



Children & Young People



Over the next couple of weeks the Sunday School children will be learning from a couple of parables. ~~✂✂✂✂✂~~

On Sunday 23rd February the children will be leading part of the worship for Pancake Sunday.

Revision of Electoral Roll and preparation for Annual Church Meeting

If you have joined us at St. Catherine's and have made this your church home in Stuttgart now is the time to consider whether you would like to be added to the electoral roll to allow you to formalise your membership and vote plus stand for election at the Annual Church Meeting. For more details and forms speak to Frances (in her hat as Electoral Roll Officer) or Kara. Forms must be returned by 8th March 2020.

Keeping you safe

Any queries, concerns or feedback regarding safeguarding can be sent to safeguarding@stcatherines-stuttgart.de

