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The Theme for 2017 is 'Faith in Action'

How will you put your faith into action during 2017 through your work for Mothers' Union?

Please pray for God's guidance as you plan the work in your parish and deanery. If you want to do something but are not quite sure how to get it started, please ask for help.

Do let us know what you are doing so that we can share your good work and ideas with each other.



We are very grateful to Jean Price for taking on the role of Lichfield Beacon Editor.

Please send all items for Lichfield Beacon to the office email or address, and they will be forwarded to Jean

Copy date deadline is Friday 17th March and that issue will be available at Spring Council in May

Make a Mother's Day Gifts 2017 Gifts that put mothers at the heart of everything

Make sure you ask your branch leader for a Gift Catalogue

or visit www.mothersunion.org

When you are planning your branch programme please remember to use the two meeting plans we have provided for this year.

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Our vision is to see a world where God's love is shown through loving, respectful, and flourishing relationships.





Wedding Prayers

Couples who have asked for our prayers this month are;

we have no individual requests now until May so we ask you to pray for all couples who are getting married during January and February

We are still looking for Wedding Fayres to attend. Please let us know if you see one advertised in your area.



at St Chad's Church Longsdon ST9 9QF[on the A53] 12 noon to 4pm

Wedding Fayre

weddingfayre@unitedbeneficechlr.co.uk

Coffee Morning held at Porthill during the summer.



If you have photos you have not sent, It's never too late to share them



Mothers' Union Christmas tree in Lichfield Cathedral.

During the month the tree was on display we had over 180 prayer requests added to it.

The flags had the name of the country and how many members live there.

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Wave of Prayer 9-11th February 2017 Our link Dioceses are: Karnataka North, Ankole, Laygos West, Lainya and Abuja



We also have a friendship link with Matlosane

To ensure a Wave of Prayer each branch has been allocated the following time slot, please try to use the time given A copy of the Wave of Prayer service can be found on the website <u>www.mothersunionlichfield.org.uk</u>

	9 th February		
9.00	Pelsall		
9.20	Streetly		
9.40	St Paul, Wednesbury		
10.00	Burntwood		
10.20	St Chad, Lichfield		
10.40	St Michael, Lichfield		
11.00	Little Aston		
11.20	All Deanery Members		
11.40	Yoxall /		
	Barton under Needwood		
12.00	Brewood		
12.20	Penkridge		
12.40	Blithfield		
13.00	St Luke, Cannock		
13.20	Great Haywood		
13.40	Rugeley		
14.00	Stonydelph / Wigginton		
14.20	Edgmond		
14.40	Ellesmere		
15.00	Welshampton		
15.20	Welsh Frankton		
15.40	Market Drayton		
16.00	Hengoed w Gobowen		
16.20	Kinnerley w Melverley		
16.40	Llanyblodwel w Trefonen		

	10 th February		
9.00	Oswestry		
9.20	Selattyn		
9.40	Harlescott		
10.00	St Giles, Shrewsbury		
10.20	Meole Brace		
10.40	Priors Lee		
11.00	Dawley		
11.20	Hadley		
11.40	Wrockwardine Wood		
12.00	Wellington		
12.20	Shawbury		
12.40	Wem		
13.00	High Ercall		
13.20	Seighford		
13.40	Kingsley / Cotton /		
	Upper Tean		
14.00	Cheddleton / Longsdon		
14.20	Endon		
14.40	All Saints, Leek		
15.00	St Edwards / Leek Team		
15.20	Norton		
15.40	Audley		
16.00	St Giles, Newcastle		
16.20	Porthill		
16.40	St Andrew, West Bromwich		

	11 th February		11 th February
9.00	St Phillip and the Good		-
	Shepherd	13.00	Oulton w Moddershall
9.20	Short Heath	13.20	St Michael, Stone
9.40	St Thomas, Wednesfield	13.40	Tittensor
10.00	St Mary, Stafford	14.00	Horninglow
10.20	St Paul, Stafford	14.20	Tutbury
10.40	Berkswich	14.40	Denstone / Rocester / Checkley
11.00	St Mark, Shelton	15.00	Stanton / Waterfall
11.20	Holy Trinity, Sneyd	15.20	Kinver
11.40	Christ Church, Tunstall	15.40	Penn
12.00	Hartshill	16.00	Tettenhall Wood
12.00		16.20	Bloxwich
-	Normacot	16.40	Great Barr
12.40	Trentham		

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Diary Dates 2017

March

Friday 24th - Quiet Day - at Shallowford House.Leader:Bishop MichaelTime:10 for 10.30 a.m. until 3.30 p.m.Cost:£21 to include lunch.Please complete and return the form [download from the website] with a deposit of £5 per
person by Friday 24th February 2017 to: Adie Harris [Administrator] Mothers' Union Office

Saturday 25th - Lady Day Sunday 26th - Mothering Sunday

April - Sunday 16th - Easter Day

May

Thursday 11th – **Spring Council** at Doxey 7pm **Guest Speaker; Bev Julien CEO Mothers' Union**



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If you do not wish to receive the newsletter in the future please email the office and you will be removed from the mailing list

If your friends, family or other members would like to receive the newsletter please email the office with their details and they will be added to the mailing list

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