

## Easter at St John's

Maundy Thursday Taizé 7:30pm

Good Friday Service 10am

Good Friday Reflections 12-3pm

9am Breakfast Easter Sunday Celebration 10am  
with refreshments and children's activities afterwards

We have many exciting things planned for Easter and you will hear more about what is happening in the News next week but on Easter Day there will be breakfast at 9.00am followed by the service at 10.00am. After the service there will be an Easter Egg Hunt and children activities for families plus Hot Cross buns, cakes and refreshments will also be served. Please sign up by [clicking here](#) so we know how many to cater for. Thank you.

## DON'T FORGET THE CLOCK GO FORWARD ON SUNDAY!

## THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who helped with making the Posies. They were gorgeous!



## WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

To find out what is going on this week in the life of St. John's, please [click here](#) and it will take you through to the calendar on St. John's Website.



## LOVE SOUTHBOURNE MEETING



**There is a change of venue for the Love Southbourne meeting.** Sunday 26th, 3pm. It will now be held in the Centre with a film showing for the children in the Lounge. If you would like some information, please speak with Tom, Susie or Jon. Hopefully see you there! *Tom*

## ANNUAL PAROCIAL CHURCH MEETING



The APCM will take place on Thursday 27th April at 7.30pm in the Church. Come along and hear what has been happening through the last year at St. Johns.

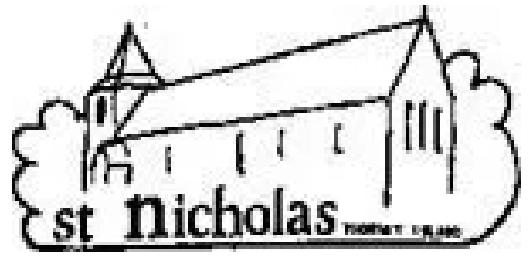
## HAVE YOU GOT A STORY TO TELL?



If you have any stories of how God has worked in your life recently, or any personal news you would like to share with your church family, please email Susie at the admin email. We would also love photos of places, events you have been etc as well!

# SUNDAYS IN APRIL

# April



Click the image above  
for a full schedule of  
services at St Nicolas



## Sunday 2nd April

10am Morning Worship at St John's

10:30am Palm Sunday Eucharist at St Nicolas

4pm Church at St John's focusing on Jesus' death

## Sunday 9th April

10:30am Easter Eucharist at St Nicolas

9am Breakfast at St John's followed by

10am Altogether Celebration at St John's with Communion followed by refreshments and children's activities.

## Sunday 16th April

10am Morning Worship at St John's with Communion

10:30am Easter Fellowship at St Nicolas

## Sunday 23rd April

10am Morning Worship at St John's with Communion

10:30am Battery Communion

4pm Church at St John's Launching New Series

## Sunday 30th April

10am Morning Worship at St John's

10:30am Morning Fellowship at St Nicolas

4pm Church at St John's with Communion



# GOOD FRIDAY



We are planning visual displays and commentary for the three hours meditation during Good Friday afternoon. We will be setting this up between 1 and 4 p.m. on Maundy Thursday (6th April). We would very much appreciate some help to do this please. Some of it will involve moving chairs around etc. We would also like help from folk with creative gifts before the day and on the day too, if possible.

We would like to borrow several items if you have them -  
Plants (both indoor and outdoor ones).

Imitation swords, clubs, lanterns

A couple of old blankets (plain ones – preferably dark colour).

A couple of rustic looking (perhaps earthenware) tankards

A short length of rope – not too thick

Also – we would like some 5 ft poles - if anyone is cutting down trees in the next ten days, please may we have your prunings!

Please have a word with one of us if you are able to help –  
Sarah Adams 07877 260799, Rosemary Pearson 01243 371591

## **HOT CROSS BUNS NEEDED!**



Lots of Hot Cross Buns are needed over the Easter Weekend. If you could donate some that would be great. Please drop them into the Centre anytime over the next few weeks. THANK YOU!

# CHRISTIAN AID

**A HUGE THANK YOU** to all who contributed to the Christian Aid emergency appeal for Turkey and Syria. If you still wish to contribute you can do so via the Christian Aid website.

## **Christian Aid week 14th-21st May.**

I will be ordering the deliver only Christian Aid envelopes soon. Please let me know by March 26th if you would like to deliver envelopes in the parish or in your own local roads in Christian Aid week.

I also need volunteers to help organise the envelopes; and people to organise and run the book stall and cake stall for the Christian Aid Garden Party Sunday 21st May. I know this sounds a long way off, but I need a team of helpers in advance this year please.

Please contact Julie Fair 01243 372070 or 07899077035

julie58fair@btinternet.com

**WANTED:** Book and dvds for the Christian Aid Garden Party Sunday 21st May. Please leave in a carrier bag at back of church each Sunday or under my porch 10 Hither Green Southbourne PO10 8JA

Many thanks Julie



## **ANIMAL FOOD BANK**

St John's has decided to trial a pet food bank for people in our local community who may need a little help. Donations of in date, sealed dog and cat food will be most welcome. Also, please spread the word in our local community to people you know, so they know that help is available if they need it



## **ELECTORAL ROLL**

If you would like to be a registered member of our Church and are not on the list posted on the notice board, please complete [the form here](#), or obtain a paper one from the back of Church and hand to the welcome team or leave in the office.

Any questions see Anne Marsden.



## COMMUNION SERVICES

From May onwards, the pattern of communion will look like this.

1st	2nd	3rd	4th
St Nicholas 10:30	St John's 10am	St John's 4pm	St John's 10am

**5th**

Special Services  
See Calendar



## PRAYER MEETINGS

Monday Morning 8:30am Zoom

Street Prayers 9.30am Zoom

Thursday Morning 8:30am Zoom

2nd & 4th Sundays 6:30pm Zoom

[Click Here to join the zoom](#)

Meeting ID: 832 7893 7113

Passcode: 141540

Friday Morning Prayers 9.45am in the Lounge

Prayer for Persecuted Church 2nd Wednesday of the Month at 11.30am in the Centre.

## STREET PRAYERS

This week we will be praying for:- Main Road to the west of the Church, Pears Grove, Parham Crescent, Jubilee Mews. Our prayers will focus on local business, caravans sites etc.

[Click here to join the zoom](#)

Tuesday 9:30am - 10:15am

Please feel free to join us especially if we are praying for your area.



# Summer

## Let's Go

## CAMPING

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### NEW WINE

Wed 26 July – Sun 30 July 2023

Kent Event Centre,  
Maidstone, Kent,  
ME14 3JF

### OAK HALL

Family and Friends Week

19 - 25 August & 25 - 28 August

Otford Manor Sevenoaks TN15 6XF



**NEW WINE - EXCITING, EXPERIENCE, EXTRAORDINARY**  
**OAK HALL - RETREAT, RELAX AND RECONNECT.**

*Lots of St John's already booked.*

### LENT

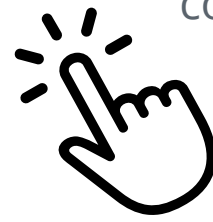


The Lent talk continues this Sunday during the 10.00am Service.

Each week of this series will be encouraging, challenging and helpful to us all as we head towards the great celebration of Easter Sunday.



Parents of 0-10s, have a look at this promo video and post your interest in the church connect groups if you'd like this course to run.



**Green Group**  
Sunday 4pm  
For those currently in Year 6, 7 and 8.  
Runs as part of the service.



**Pink Group**  
Sunday Sunday 4pm  
For GIRLS currently in years 3, 4 and 5  
COMING SOON



**Blue Group**  
Sunday 4pm  
for BOYS currently in years 3, 4 and 5  
COMING SOON

**ST JOHN'S TOTS**

Thursday Mornings in term time.  
St John's Church Centre, Southbourne  
10-11:45am £2 per family

**Friday Fellowship**

- Jan 13th
- Jan 27th
- Feb 10th
- Feb 24th
- Mar 10th
- Mar 24th
- Apr 28th
- May 12th
- May 26th
- Jun 9th
- Jun 23rd
- Jul 14th

**3-5:30pm**  
Parents and children stay for games, crafts, to explore faith and enjoy a meal together.

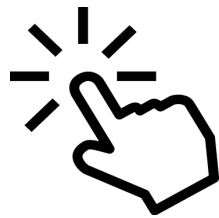




# YOUTH NEWS



Next High Tide 12th May  
Meet at church 6:30pm  
Transport Provided



Yr 7 +



# Maycamp

**SIGN UP!**

Friday 26th May - Monday 29th May

Plumpton Racecourse

Year 6 and upwards

All meals and transport provided

3 nights camping

£130 (Bursaries available)



# 4 O'clock Church INFO

## ACCESSIBLE

We use pictures alongside words in our liturgy and worship to help everyone feel included. There is plenty of activity at this service so if you need to move around that's ok.

## TODDLER ZONE

There is a dedicated zone for pre-schoolers with colourful, easy to clean and fun but quiet toys so parents can relax and engage with the service. We're glad you're here, don't worry about noise.

## WORSHIP

You can expect contemporary worship, working towards some free space to experience and enjoy God's presence.

## COMMUNION

We have communion twice a month You can choose bread only, or intincted (dipped in wine), or simply come forward for a blessing. We're working towards admitting children to communion before confirmation. We will keep you posted.

## CREATIVE BIBLE READING

We often use tactile objects to explore a bible story or topic. We aim to make the story come to life for the listener! Congregation participation!

## ACTIVITIES

Children are provided with engaging activities for use during the sermon to give parents a chance to go deeper into God's word.

## PRAYERS

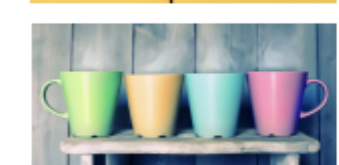
We use creative ways to engage with God in prayer, sometimes moving around the room or using objects to guide us.

## CHURCH NEWS / YOUR NEWS

We use this news sheet to communicate all things church news, but tell us your achievements and celebrations. Also, we welcome testimony of what God has been doing in your life

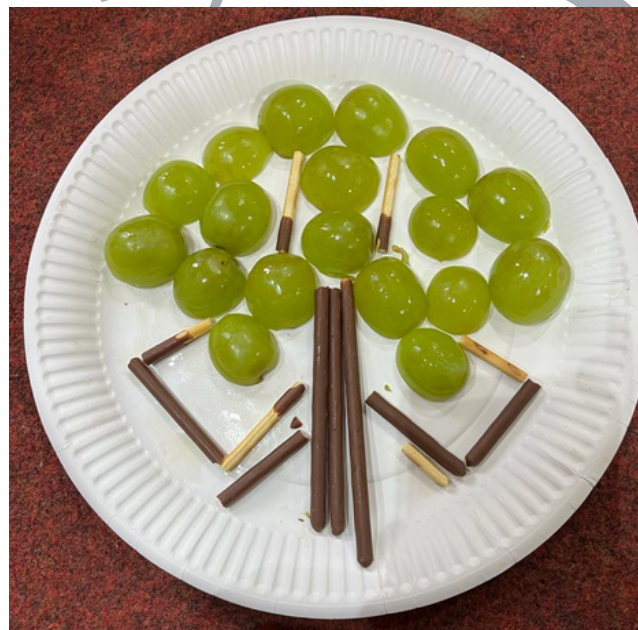
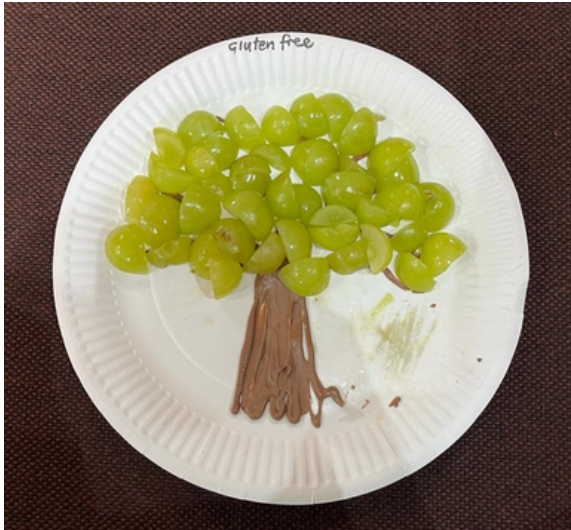
## GET INVOLVED

Could you prep the drinks trolley before the service? Do you play an instrument and could help facilitate worship? Can you pray with others? Could you rota in to help facilitate kids groups? [Click Here](#)



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Here are some of the activities the children took part in based around the story of Jesus meets Zacchaeus.





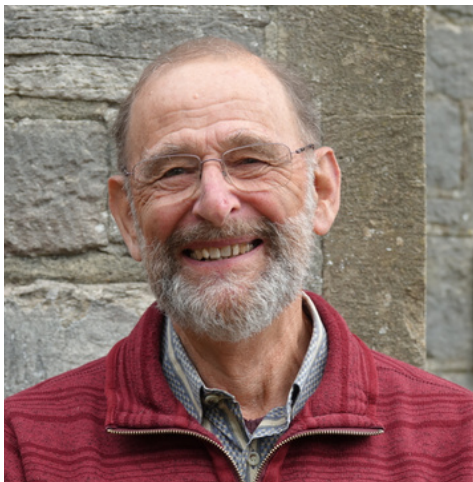
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