

ST JOHN'S WEEKLY NEWS

SUNDAY 28TH JULY

Hello and Welcome.

I'd like to say a huge thank you to everyone who helped with our Church Together Day last Sunday. I'm sorry if you missed it, but it was such an encouraging day that it will be an annual fixture! This Sunday at the 10am service we reach Romans 14 and ask 'How can we best live together in love?' There is no 4pm service, but the prayer meeting is 6.30pm in Church, do join us if you can.



If you are visiting us on Sunday, please ask the welcome team for a welcome pack and prayer is usually available after our services. Our aim is: '*Together, to make Jesus known.*' We would love the chance to get to know you and share more of the life and faith of our church. I won't be in the Centre over the summer but do feel free to contact me. I will be there with a few others on Tuesday 6th and 13th from 10am, outside and hoping to chat with passers by!

God bless. Tom

THIS SUNDAY AND NEXT

This Sunday (28th July):

10am Holy Communion // (No 4pm Service) // 6.30pm Prayer in Church

Next Sunday (4th August):

10am Morning Worship // (No 4pm Service) // 6.30pm Quiet communion

Usual Sunday Services Pattern	10AM	4PM (TERM-TIME)	6.30pm*
1st Sunday	Morning Worship	(Back September)	Quiet Communion
2nd Sunday	Communion	(Back September)	Online Prayer
3rd Sunday	Morning Worship	(Back September)	(Back September)
4th Sunday	Communion	(Back September)	In-Church Prayer
(5th Sunday)	Communion	(Back September)	

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LATEST NEWS & UPDATES

Please send items for the Weekly News to the office by Wednesday.



Church Together BBQ - it was a brilliant day. Enjoyed by everyone.

Hello everyone,

A Reflective Assembly:

This assembly has been held annually now for the last three years. Instead of me visiting the school, the 60 or so Year 6 students, along with their teachers and teachers assistants come and visit the church.

The assembly has a 'light' and 'reflective' service feel to it. I lit a candle and explained, "That as Christians, we light a candle to remind us that we believe Jesus is with us, right now, and to remember that He is the light of the world". I then led the students in a short opening prayer, before sharing a short, interactive talk and creative Bible reading.

I then led the students in a creative prayer. I gave them two cardboard cut outs of feet and asked them to think of things that they were looking forward to at Secondary school. I then asked them to write on the other foot how they were feeling about stepping forward to high school in order to for them to stop for a moment to reflect on how they are feeling.

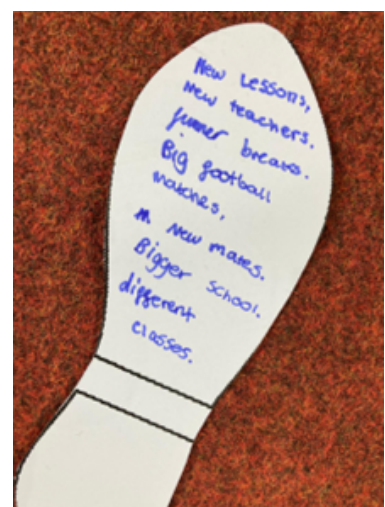
I then asked the students to bring their feet to the front of the platform and to create a line from the platform to out of the church to show that we are not stepping forward alone, but stepping forward together.

Finally, I shared Philippians 4:6 with the students which says:

6 Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done.

I then finished our time together with a prayer.

God Bless and have a lovely summer. Richard - Families and Youth Minister





Coffee Connect will be closed from Tuesday 30th July and will reopen on Tuesday 3rd September but there will be coffee mornings at various people's house during the month, 10am -12pm:

Tuesday, 6th August Paula Errock's house

Monday, 12th August Jenny Bond's house

Thursday, 22nd August Rosemary Pearson's house.

To sign up to a coffee morning just click on the person's name or let Susie know.

HARVEST 2024. It may seem a long way off but we will be preparing a display in the church for Harvest time (the week leading up to 6th October) in the style we did last year, also this year's Holy Week.

In the next few weeks we will be planning some of the scenes. If you would like to be involved in the preparation, even in a small way, please have a word with one of us. We will need people with crafting skills e.g. woodwork, drawing, sewing, painting etc. etc. You don't have to be an expert – just willing to get involved! We will also be sourcing props – a full list will come out later – but if you have large sheets of cardboard, please save them for us. Sarah Adams and Rosemary Pearson

MISSION OF THE MONTH



The Mission of the month for July is Beats

BEATS was set up in 2007 by THIS CHURCH! Even now, 3 of the 6 trustees are members of St John's Southbourne.

BEATS was born from this congregation's desire to help the 240,000 victims of the 2004 Boxing Day earthquake and tsunami and, since its conception, has largely focused its work in Indonesia, near the epicentre of the earthquake, where 175,000 people died.

Since then, BEATS has also helped victims of many other earthquakes and tsunamis. For more info look at the mission board and if you would like to donate to Beats, please [click here](#).



Street Prayers, Tuesday 9.30am on Zoom.

This week we are praying for:

Mosdell Road, New Road, Goodwood Court, First Avenue, Second Avenue, Lazy Acre.

Our prayers this week will be thinking of those in Nutbourne including Nutbourne Park, Patricia Way, Hambrook and Chidham areas.

WHAT'S ON DURING THE WEEK

Online Prayer is on Zoom [Click here to join](#) Meeting ID: 832 7893 7113. Passcode: 141540
Please check Churchsuite or the website for the full diary.

Monday, 29 July

8:30am Morning Prayer Online (Online - Zoom)
(New Wine)

Tuesday, 30 July

All day Carpets cleaned in the centre.
(Church Centre)
9:30am Street Prayers on Zoom (Online)
(New Wine)

Wednesday, 31 July

9:30am Communion (Church)

Thursday, 1 August

8:30am Morning Prayer Online (Online - Zoom)

Friday, 2 August

9:45am Prayer and Praise (Lounge)

If a Church event isn't shown, please check in the office that its on Churchsuite, thanks!

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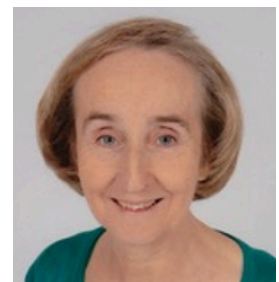
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