ST JOHN'SSUNDAYWEEKLY NEWS28TH MAYHELLO FROM THE VICARAGE!

This Sunday at the 10am we're celebrating Pentecost and the sending of God's Spirit to send out his church. Do join us if you can.



At the 4pm it's half term so we don't have a service, but you're welcome to come to the vicarage garden (assuming it's dry) for a tea party. Please bring something to sit on (chairs or a rug) and if you can, either a bottle of soft drink or a cake. You can park in the usual places and walk round to the vicarage, 2 houses along from the church and straight into the garden.

Next Sunday (4th June) at 4pm I'm leading a memorial service - a quiet and reflective service to remember those who've died and give thanks to God for them. Everyone is welcome.

I'm taking a few days leave this coming week so I won't be around in the centre and there's no midweek communion (on Weds 31st), but both will be back next week. Please be praying for some of our young people and youth-workers on the Diocese May Camp this weekend - for a fun and faith-building time!

God Bless and see you soon.

Tom

PRAY FOR RICHARD AND KIM AND ALL THOSE GOING TO MAYCAMP THIS WEEKEND





Praying for Maycamp

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Please pray in these last few days before Maycamp.

- For our wonderful GROUP LEADERS will be blessed and encouraged as they pull their final things together for Maycamp. Pray for STRENGTH, GRACE & WISDOM as they bring their young people away.
- Pray for the MAYCAMP TEAM, who are already onsite and building Maycamp and finalising all the details to get ready for Friday night's launch. Pray for PROTECTION, STRENGTH & PEACE as it all comes together.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

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A QUIET SERVICE, OPEN TO EVERYONE, WITH PRAYERS, MUSIC AND REFLECTION

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

To find out what is going on this week in the life of St. John's, please <u>click here</u> and it will take you through to the calendar on St. John's Website.

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SOUTHBOURNE FREE CHURCH



Is anyone interested in joining Tom and Paul the Free Church minister in visiting Glebe House Care Home for a short worship service? We're particularly keen to have a few people who can sing to help us lead some hymns. The first visit is Wednesday 7th June at 2.30pm. If you might be interested, please speak to Tom

SOUTHBOURNE SUSSEX DAY FETE



The Sussex Fete is taking place on Saturday, 17th June and the Parish Council have asked us to do the BBQ, so we are looking for volunteers to help with this! Please speak with Tom or Susie if you are able to help, even if it just for an hour. Thank you!

PRE-LOVED CLOTHES FOR SALE

Many thanks to all who have kindly donated clothing to go to Ukraine. There will now be a sale of some of our Pre-Loved items at 23 Garsons Road on Bank Holiday Monday (29th May) from 11 a.m. with proceeds going to Ukraine. We would appreciate your support. Please note – these are our items on offer. We don't need more! Rosemary Pearson

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 14TH-20TH MAY

A HUGE THANK YOU to everyone who contributed to Christian Aid so generously. Thank you for helping pack and deliver over 1,800 envelopes in the parish; attending the FUN Quiz; supplying cakes, plants, books, jigsaws, cards, marmalade; setting up for the fabulous Garden Party and serving on yummy cream teas and stalls; and finally to the team who helped me pack everything away.

You are all superstars *

We will be announcing our grand total once all the envelopes come in and our fabulous counting team have added it all up. There is still time to give via the St John's e- envelope just click here. Thank you. Julie Fair.















COMMUNION SERVICES

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

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
St	St	St	St	Special Services
Nicholas	John's	John's	John's	See
10:30	10am	4pm	10am	Calendar

Wednesday @9.30am in the Church

PRAYER MEETINGS

Monday Morning 8:30am Zoom Thursday Morning 8:30am Zoom 2nd & 4th Sundays 6:30pm Zoom <u>Click Here to join the zoom</u> 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

Our prayers will focus on: -.Stein Road below Breach Avenue to the Railway Crossing, Mountwood Road, Merrivale Court & Hartland Court. We will also be remembering our friends who live in the Hambrook & Chidham areas. Please feel free to join us especially if we are praying for your area.





NEW WINE

Wed 26 July – Sun 30 July 2023

Kent Event Centre, Maidstone, Kent, ME14 3JF

OAK HALL Family and Friends Week

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Camping

19 - 25 August & 25 - 28 August

Otford Manor Sevenoaks TN15 6XF

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

Camping at the Manor











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



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.



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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? <u>Click Here</u>





















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