

# ST JOHN'S WEEKLY UPDATE

## SUNDAY 26TH NOVEMBER

### HELLO FROM THE VICARAGE!

As we get closer to the start of Advent, it's a good time to remember that we don't only celebrate Jesus birth 2,000 years ago, but we also look forward to his return. At the back of Church and in the Centre are Christmas invite cards - could you help deliver some? There's also information and daily readings for Advent.



This Sunday (26th) at 10am, come and here about serving Jesus, the servant King. The 4pm service is our informal all-ages service this afternoon. Do join us for that if you can. Then at 6.30pm we have a prayer meeting in Church, I'll be sharing some updates from the national Church of England to pray into, along with time of open prayer.

God bless, and see you soon. *Tom*

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## WELCOME IF YOU'RE JOINING US TODAY

Our Sunday services are at 10am and 4pm.

We have a quiet service of Holy Communion, Wednesdays at 9.30am.

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.

If you are visiting, please ask the welcome team for a welcome pack.

Prayer is usually available after the services.

More information is available at: [stjohnssouthbourne.com](http://stjohnssouthbourne.com)

Including details of groups for all ages at various times through the week.

For any further information, please contact the Church office:

(01243) 375576 or email: [admin@stjohnssouthbourne.com](mailto:admin@stjohnssouthbourne.com)

For St Nicholas, Thorney Island, please go to [stnicholastimeline.org.uk](http://stnicholastimeline.org.uk)



# LATEST NEWS & UPDATES

## Celebrate Christmas at St John's, Southbourne

All the Christmas events are on our website with more details at [www.stjohnssouthbourne.com/Christmas](http://www.stjohnssouthbourne.com/Christmas) or [click here](#).

Please can you also help deliver more of the Christmas invites, they are bundled with road names in the centre



### DONATIONS WANTED!

We would love any of the following items you can donate to support various events over Christmas:

- Empty 2 litre plastic bottles
- **Battery LED lights (please name if you'd like back!)**
- **Christmas greenery, e.g. ivy, holly, berries etc**

Please drop to the office or the back of church, thank you! Speak with Susie for more info.



### Christmas Cards by Rachel Mande

Homemade cards for sale to raise money in support of their ministry in Uganda. Will be on Sale on from Sunday in the Centre. 5 for £10.00



### St John's Christmas Card..

This will be at the back of church from Sunday 3rd December. If you wish you can sign the card instead of sending cards to your St John's friends and put the money saved in the silver box marked Stonepillow Night Shelter for the Homeless.



Come and share some Christmas joy. We're singing carols together with the Free church at:

**Prinstead Care Home - Friday 8th December 5.30pm**  
**Glebe House - Wednesday 13th December at 2.30pm**

Just meet there shortly beforehand.





There will be a church prayer meeting on Sunday at 6.30pm in the church. Tom will be sharing recent updates from the national church for prayer. (This will then become a regular prayer meeting on the 4th Sunday of the month in 2024)

Tom had added a list of suggested resources for personal Bible study and prayer to the website: [www.stjohnssouthbourne.com/study](http://www.stjohnssouthbourne.com/study)



**Families In Need Christmas Appeal 🎄**

We are hoping to support families who are struggling to provide presents for their children and buy the extra Christmas goodies others might take for granted.

We are also holding a Christmas hot turkey and ham baguette afternoon tea SATURDAY 9TH DECEMBER 11AM-2PM CHURCH LOUNGE

Please [sign up here](#) or the sheet at the back of church. Speak to Julie Fair for more information.



Please scan the code opposite to donate to the Families in Need Appeal. Thank you!

BEAUTIFUL CHRISTMAS TREE BAUBLES FOR SALE in the Centre. to raise funds for Families in Need



if you would like your child to come to this, scan the code above. Please take note that this High Tide will finish at 10.00pm. Speak with Richard for more information.



**Street Prayer 9.30am on Tuesday.**

**This week we will be praying for:**

Main Road from Stein Road to Pottery Lane, The Crescent, Church Road,

Farm Lane, Islands Road, Pottery Lane, & School Lane.

We will also be praying for our Schools & College in the Parish.



# WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Online Prayer is on Zoom. [Click here to join.](#) Meeting ID: 832 7893 7113. Passcode: 141540

## Sunday, 26 November

10:00am **Morning Worship** at Church  
Communion on 2nd and 4th Sundays  
4:00pm **4pm Service** at Church  
Communion on 3rd Sunday  
6:30pm **Prayer Meeting in Church**

## Monday, 27 November

8:30am **Online Prayer** at Online  
10:00am **Homegroup** at Lounge

## Tuesday, 28 November

9:00am **Coffee Connect** at Foyer  
9:30am **Street Prayers on Zoom** at Online  
1:00pm **Safeguarding Meeting** at Lounge

## Wednesday, 29 November

9:00am **Coffee Connect** at Foyer  
9:30am **Communion** at Church  
10:30am **Nurture Group** at Prayer Room  
12:30pm **Funeral & Wake** at Church  
7:30pm **Singing Practise at Lounge**  
7:50pm **Men's Football** at The Bourne Leisure Centre

## Thursday, 30 November

8:30am **Online Prayer**  
10:00am **St John's Tots** Upstairs  
7:30pm **PCC** at Upstairs

## Friday, 1 December

9:30am **Praise & Prayer** at Church

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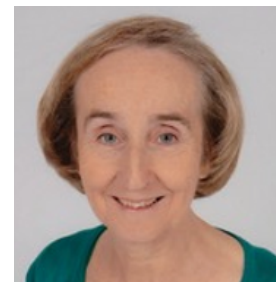
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