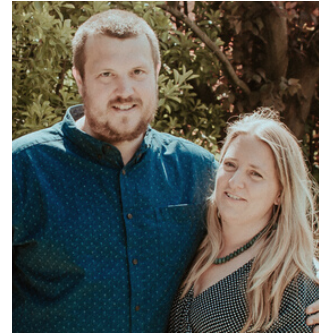


# ST JOHN'S WEEKLY UPDATE

## SUNDAY 1ST OCTOBER

### HELLO FROM THE VICARAGE!

I'd like to say a huge thank you to everyone who helped with all that contributed to our Harvest events last week. We had over 200 people through the prayer reflections, and a joyful service of celebration on the Sunday morning. It was great to be reminded of all that we can thank God for, and to share with those in need.



Today (Sunday 1st), at both our 10am and 4pm services, come and hear how Boaz models a Christ-like kindness to Ruth, that we can also know from God. I'm also leading a reflective Communion service at 6.30pm tonight in Church, and we have a midweek service Wednesday at 9.30am. I won't be in the centre on Tuesday morning, but will be on Thursday.

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 (all-age) and we have a quiet service of Holy Communion, term-time Wednesdays at 9.30am. In October and November, we're also holding a reflective evening service with Communion at 6.30pm on the 1st Sunday of each month.

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)

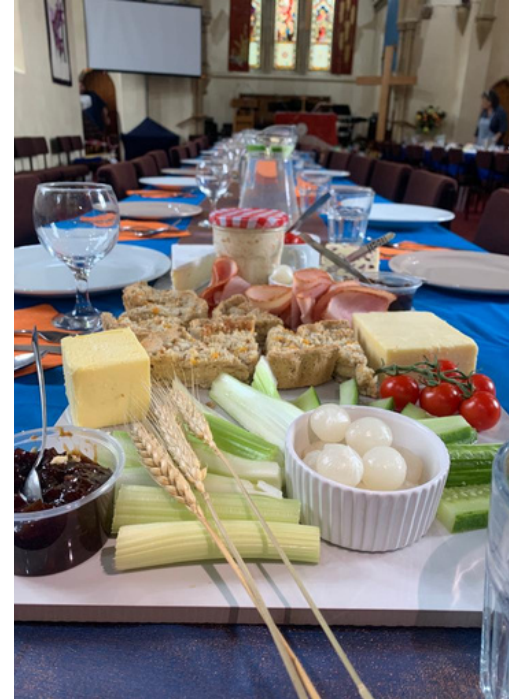


# LATEST NEWS & UPDATES



Today and the 1st Sunday of November, Tom will be leading a reflective evening service at 6.30pm with Holy Communion. A chance at the start of the month to gather and pray, hear from God's Word and share communion.

**Thank you to everyone who helped with all the Harvest festivities.**



## **DIOCESAN SERVICE FOR BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

**at Chichester Cathedral on the 7th October 2023 at 11.00am**

**ALL ARE WELCOME**

The Cathedral will be hosting a special service to celebrate Black History Month with the Revd Guy Hewitt, the Church of England's first Racial Justice Director with contributions from our church of England School choirs.

### **Saturday 7th October**

... the annual Tearfund quiz evening with puddings!

Round up your team members or come anyway and we will put you on a team. To book tickets, [click here](#) and to donate to Tearfund [click here](#).

**If you could donate a pudding, please speak with Susie in the office.**







**Thank you for the wonderful support for our Bliss fundraiser.** We're finishing our last miles this week and have raised almost **£600** with one or two donations still to come! The support from St John's alone has been amazing and had contributed at least half of that amount so we wanted to say a big THANK YOU to everyone who has been supporting us and following our progress. Julie Oldman



### **CHRISTIAN AID LIBYA URGENT EMERGENCY APPEAL**

In response to the devastating recent flooding in Libya Christian Aid are responding in many ways to help with medical care, shelter and future rebuilding after many thousands of families lost their homes and lives. Utilities have been wiped out which means no electricity or clean water supplies.

**Please click here** to prayerfully reach out in compassion to these desperate people who have lost everything.

We also have EMERGENCY APPEAL ENVELOPES at the back of church and in the Church Centre.

Please also pray for them all. Julie Fair



### **Centre Plans**

We will be holding two meetings in the Church Lounge on Thursday 5th October at 3pm and 7pm

Each meeting will have a presentation of the plans followed by a "walk through" with one of the team prior to returning to the lounge for a Q&A session. We will not be entering into minute detail re furnishings and colour etc. but taking the opportunity to clearly explain the proposed plans and receive feedback. Email: [centreplans@stjohnssouthbourne.com](mailto:centreplans@stjohnssouthbourne.com)  
Eric Thompson, Jane Inglis, Gill Prosser and Tim Marsden



**Seniors lunches are starting again** and the first one is on the 9th October at 12 noon with arrival time from 11.30am. The finish time will be at 2.30pm and Tom will be speaking at 1.00pm

There will be a sign up sheet at the back of Church, and in Coffee Connect. Please bring a friend and sign up by the 30th September and let us know if there any dietary requirements.

### **Street Prayer 9.30am on Tuesday.**

This week we will be praying for: -

Stein Road below Breach Avenue to the Railway Crossing, Mountwood Road.

Today we will also prayer for the NHS, Doctors Surgery, Chemist & Nursing Homes

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, 1 October

10:00am Morning Worship at Church  
Communion on the 2nd and 4th Sundays  
4:00pm 4pm Service at Church

## Monday, 2 October

8:30am Online Prayer at Online - Zoom  
10:00am Homegroup at Lounge  
2:00pm Japan Prayer Group at Prayer Room

## Tuesday, 3 October

9:00am Coffee Connect at Foyer  
9:30am Street Prayers on Zoom at Online

## Wednesday, 4 October

9:00am Coffee Connect at Foyer  
9:30am Communion at Church  
10:15am Bible Study at Lounge  
Bible Study group led by Carol Jones  
10:30am Nurture Group at Prayer Room  
7:30pm Singing Practise at Lounge  
7:50pm Men's Football at The Bourne Leisure Centre

## Thursday, 5 October

8:30am Online Prayer at Online - Zoom  
9:00am Coffee Connect  
9:00am Junior School Harvest Service at Church  
10:00am St John's Tots at Centre Hall  
3:00pm Open Meeting on Centre Plans at Church Centre, Lounge  
7:00pm Open Meeting on Centre Plans at Church Centre, Lounge

## Friday, 6 October

9:30am Praise & Prayer at Lounge  
10:30am Table Tennis at Upstairs  
3:00pm Friday Fellowship at St John's Church

## Saturday, 7 October

7:30pm Tearfund Quiz at Lounge



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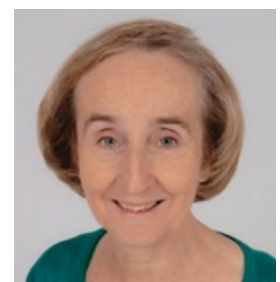
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