

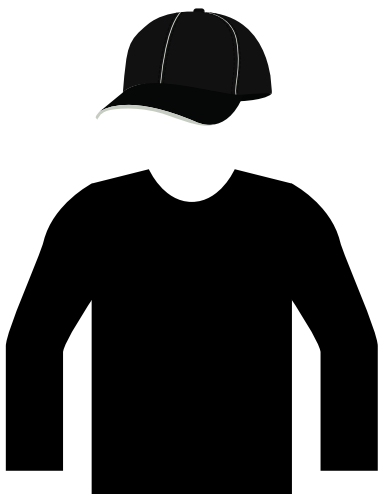
ST JOHN'S WEEKLY NEWS

**SUNDAY
31ST
OCTOBER**



31st October 4pm

There's still room for you! **[click this link to sign up.](#)**
We will be using the lounge and foyer to sit and eat.
Food is served at 4pm, party upstairs is 4:30-5:30pm.
5:30pm onwards, please continue socialising but the team will start tidying up.



**Please wear dark
coloured clothes
for a better
effect, and bring
a cap if you have
one.**





CLIMATE SUNDAY

On November 7th we will be marking Climate Sunday ahead of the World Climate Summit, COP26.

While it will be good to focus on our place in creation during the service, there are enormous amounts of resources to get you thinking wider than the Sunday service.

Click [here](#) for a report from Greenpeace, which gives some ideas, which I found interesting and challenging all at once.

Grace and peace

Matt



REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

The St. John's Remembrance Service this year will be held on Sunday, 14th November around the Memorial Cross in the Garden. It will start at 10.15am finishing with the Two Minute Silence at 11.00am. We will hopefully been joined by various local Southbourne groups placing wreaths around the Cross.

FAMILY CHURCH



Carrying on with our series through the Old Testament with a look at Jonah on 7th November. This is also climate Sunday.

General Info for family church.

Ventilation We open all the windows and doors so please bring a warm coat. Distanced seating available.

Masks are encouraged.

Open to all ages - please sign up below.

The address is

Chidham Parochial Primary School, Chidham Lane, PO18 8TH

Park in the playground - the gates will be open and any help to tidy up at the end is gratefully received.



[To come along, click here and sign up.](#)



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If anyone could help with set up and set down at Family Church we would be really grateful. [Click here to contact Kim and Richard if you can help.](#)



13TH NOVEMBER 10AM-3:30PM

For those who haven't been before, or would like to go again, SGP's Annual Conference is about Fruitfulness on the Frontline, which includes a couple of seminars we may be able to learn from. [Booking details on the flyer](#), but I'm happy to give a lift. Matt.
email minister@stjohnssouthbourne.com



NEXT MEETING 12TH NOVEMBER

Come along for some space to relax, kids can play, some time to focus on life and faith and then tuck in for a fill yer belly meal.

[Sign Up here](#)



BRING YOUR OWN COFFEE

Why not bring your own coffee/tea in a flask with you to the Sunday Service and you can catch up with friends over a drink afterwards.



MORNING PRAYERS

There are Morning Prayer Meetings on Mondays and Thursdays at 8.30-9am if you would like to come to this, join on the Zoom I-wonder link. We pray for a variety of topics and needs. All welcome. If you would like more information, get in touch with Anne Marsden



ALL SOULS SERVICE AT ST NICHOLAS

On Tuesday 2nd November 5pm there's an all souls service to light a candle and remember loved ones. To book email ruperthclucas@gmail.com by 1st Nov



WE'RE OPEN!

Thursday Mornings in term time 10-11:45am. Toys, role play, baby zone, stories, singing and a take away craft bag. £2 per family. Please book in for each session you'd like to attend. [Click here to book.](#)



YOUTH NEWS

On Tuesday nights the young people at St John's have the opportunity to join the young people at Chichester Baptist Church for discipleship. For info contact Richard at families@stjohnssouthbourne.com



STREET PRAYERS [CLICK HERE](#)

This week our prayers will focus on Southbourne Fields, Alfrey Close, Woodhouse Way, Lawley Avenue & Whitchers Way.

We will also pray for "Love Southbourne" as we reach out into the area.



NEWS FROM THE TEAM

Unfortunately due to the rise in Covid cases, the Coffee Connect team have decided to close the cafe until further notice.



COVID SAFETY

Given the increase in cases, please wear masks throughout services. If you have any symptoms, please stay at home and arrange a PCR test and wait for a negative PCR result before attending.

We thank you for your cooperation at this challenging time, particularly to those for whom isolation is especially a struggle.



CRAFT CLUB!

Craft club was caught crafting recently.

So nice that the building is back in use! If crafting is your thing get in touch with Janice via the office on admin@stjohnssouthbourne.com



MEN'S BREAKFASTS

If you'd like to join some guys from St John's and head over for a breakfast in Chichester to hear an inspirational speaker, [click here to join the Men's events whatsapp group.](#)



HELP NEEDED!

Is there anyone who would be able to make the compost bins round the back of the church stronger please? Speak to Sue McNeill, tel 375963



IONA PILGRIMAGE APRIL 2023

Revd Andrew and Mrs Karen Doye, of Westbourne Parish, will lead a journey to the Hebridean isle of Iona, a cradle of Christianity from 15-22 April 2023. There is a presentation of the trip is offered in Westbourne Parish Church at 10am on Sunday 6 November if anyone would like to find out more.



TEARFUND QUIZ SAT 20TH NOV

Gather your team members and sharpen your pencils for Saturday 20th November at 7.30.

The Just Giving page is open for donations, please click [here](#) to access the St. John's/Tearfund account.

As Covid is still with us, we can't safely squash lots of people into the Church Centre. But at least this year you can **invite your team to your home**, and perhaps feed them (for an extra donation of course!). So please plan to get a team together around your kitchen table (or anywhere you can log in to Zoom) and join us.

This year, Tearfund is focussing on working with people affected by climate change. Please spread the news to anyone who would enjoy a quiz, either to join your team or form their own, and give them my email address.

Once again, we are asking if people would like to **make cakes or puddings** to keep the teams going during the quiz, so for an extra donation you can have one **delivered** to your door. If you really don't like quizzing (you know who you are!) perhaps have a **Games night** and ask for donations to join in. Any good fundraising ideas.....please email/talk to me. Sarah Maclennan sarah@maclennans.org



STAIR GATES

Could anyone do some research into the best type of stairgate that could be fitted to the bottom and top of the centre stairs? If that's you, [then please click here](#) to let us know your results. Thank you



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