

# ST JOHN'S WEEKLY NEWS



## SUNDAY 10AM IN THE CHURCH

Morning services are now live in the church. We still have to distance ourselves and wear face coverings but we can be together.

We need to know if you're coming so please book with Susie email [admin@stjohnssouthbourne.com](mailto:admin@stjohnssouthbourne.com)

## SUNDAY 16TH MAY



## Christian Aid Week THANK YOU!

A HUGE THANK YOU to everyone who helped and attended the Plant, Cake, Marmalade and Toy Sale last Sunday. Thank you to everyone who donated goods so generously. We have to wait 72 hours to count the money so we don't have a total just yet. If you forgot to Gift Aid your donation please let me know. I was so blessed that so many of you volunteered, I simply couldn't have done it without your tremendous support. Julie Fair.



## CHRISTIAN AID ENVELOPES

We have posted over 1500 deliver only Christian Aid envelopes in the parish this week due to the response of our amazing volunteers. Thank you so much.

You can donate to Christian Aid week by posting your envelope through the letter box at the back of the church centre. Spare envelopes are at the back of church, or please donate straight to our e-envelope via [this link](#).

So far 9 people have generously donated a total of £205, so please make your donation as soon as possible.

Please donate today or by Sunday 23rd so we can get a final total.



## FACE MASK

Thank you to the Craft Team for making masks for Christian Aid. These are available on the table at the back of church.

Additional orders can be placed with Julie Fair 01243 372070 or [julie58fair@btinternet.com](mailto:julie58fair@btinternet.com)



## CHRISTIAN AID COLOURING COMPETITION

There is still time time to enter the colouring competition. Hard copies are available at the back of church. Entry deadline Sunday 23rd May. Post your entry in the red postbox at the back of church or send as an attachment to [julie58fair@btinternet.com](mailto:julie58fair@btinternet.com). Prizes for each age group. Suggested donation 50p via the e-envelope or cash in envelope through church centre back door.

Happy colouring and NO adult help please!

[link to Fishers colouring\\_page](#)

[link to Wishing Well colouring\\_page](#)



## ALPHA TUESDAYS 8PM

Next week's topic is - Does God Heal Today? If that is of interest to you, come along on zoom, even if you haven't been before. Big questions welcome. Email [families@stjohnssouthbourne.com](mailto:families@stjohnssouthbourne.com)



## CHICHESTER DIOCESAN EVANGELICAL FELLOWSHIP

If you missed the CDEF Spring Conference with Bishop Ruth speaking you can watch it on the link below:

[CDEF Spring 2021 link](#)



## TOTS ZONE IN CHURCH

In preparation for a return to live services, Kim is looking for a couple of volunteers to sort and clean the tots zone in the south transept - contact Kim if you can help. [families@stjohnssouthbourne.com](mailto:families@stjohnssouthbourne.com)



## MISSING FOLDING CHAIRS

We seem to be missing a few folding chairs from the centre. If you have them at home, please could you return them so that we can be ready for live outdoor services. Thank you.



## CONFIRMATIONS

There's a group of 4 adults meeting with Matt starting 11th May to get ready for confirmation in early July. If you would like to be confirmed, or are interested in finding out more, contact Matt on [minister@stjohnssouthbourne.com](mailto:minister@stjohnssouthbourne.com)





## FAMILY SERVICE

Family Service is looking at the events between Jesus' resurrection and his ascension. Last week we assembled gift boxes and decorated them because Jesus told his disciples to wait for the gift... This week we'll find out what that gift is!



## HEART OF WORSHIP

As Tozer puts it 'No-one who knows Him intimately can ever be flippant in His presence. Look through Scripture, both Old and New and you'll find worshippers overwhelmed to the core in the intimate yet fiery presence of a holy God. Matt Redman, 2004, Facedown. Click here for [Build my Life](#)



## MAY CAMP

Richard has teamed up with Darren from St Pancras to organise a one day May camp event. We would like to be able to send our young people to it for free so if you're happy to sponsor them please use this link...

[MayCamp](#) for more info -

families@stjohnssouthbourne.com



## ST JOHN'S TOTS

Last week the Tots played a fishing game to explore the story of the miraculous catch of fish. This week we're looking at Ascension. Thank you to Susanna, Belinda and Doris for all your help with the weekly packs. We deliver weekly packs to 24 children across 14 families. For more info email [families@stjohnssouthbourne.com](mailto:families@stjohnssouthbourne.com)



## FREE SHOP THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone for your generous support for the Free Shop. We continue to support 25 or so families each week and we're planning on running the free shop until 22nd July. For further info email [families@stjohnssouthbourne.com](mailto:families@stjohnssouthbourne.com)



## BOOKS

Our community bookstall is closing down now that libraries have reopened, and we have plans to make a welcoming corner for that area of church. Please can you help us remove the books by taking a handful with you on Sundays and either reading them, or recycling them. Thank you.



## GET INVOLVED

Calling all you creative types to help make an outside display depicting a scene from C.S. Lewis' classic tale, The Lion and The Witch and The Wardrobe. The church is to be a location on the PTA Book Trail over half term (first week of June). Alternatively a £1 donation buys a second hand copy of the book to give away. Email [families@stjohnssouthbourne.com](mailto:families@stjohnssouthbourne.com) to get involved.



## YOUTH@STJOHNS

This week the young people are carrying on their series on God's big picture and this week looking at Genesis 12 and Galatians 3. Please pray for good weather as they meet outside.

For Youth info email [families@stjohnssouthbourne.com](mailto:families@stjohnssouthbourne.com)



## NEWSPAPERS

Thank you, we have enough cereal boxes now. Jo would like newspapers as often as you have them please - drop them to the off to the box at the back door. Thank you!



## EMMANUEL INTERNATIONAL

Message from Sue Fallon: Apologies for not being able to finish my presentation on Sunday. Thank you so much for all your prayers for the work of EI. I heard this week that we have been shortlisted for the grant from Guernsey. We do need to submit some further paper work but it looks very promising.

Here is the link for the latest short video highlighting one of the projects in Tanzania.

It is a report from the community on what they are learning and the impact it is having, with a little singing and dancing thrown in. [Link](#)



## STREET PRAYERS

Tuesday 18th May 2021 (9.30 to 10.15 am) by Zoom, please contact Anne Marsden for details.

Our prayers will focus on:-Garsons Road ,First Avenue, Second Avenue, Lazy Acre, Mons Close, Longlands Road, Trafalgar Close & Prinsted Court. We will also be thinking of our friends in the Nutbourne & Hambrook area.



## SPONSOR KAREN MEARS

Karen Mears is going to walk 32 miles on July 24th by walking round Thorney Island 4 times in one day for Release International to help families working in appalling conditions in the Brick Kilns in Pakistan. If you would like to walk with Karen on one of the legs round the Island, please get in touch with her.

To sponsor her and find out more about this walk , please click on the link below.

[Just Giving Page](#)



**If you would like to add anything to the weekly news, email Susie by the Friday of the week on [admin@stjohnssouthbourne.com](mailto:admin@stjohnssouthbourne.com)**