

ST JOHN'S WEEKLY NEWS

19TH MARCH MOTHERING SUNDAY

MIDWEEK COMMUNION

Midweek communion service from **9.30-10am** will start on **Wednesday 5th April** which everyone is invited to. A quiet and reflective opportunity to gather together to share bread and wine. My hope is that this will then become a weekly, term-time service again, soon after Easter, from 26th April (so no service on 12th or 19th April).

Tom



GAMES NIGHT 18TH MARCH

Unfortunately, Games Night on Saturday has been cancelled. The next Games Night will be on Saturday, 15th April.



WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

To find out what is going on this week in the life of St. John's, please [click here](#) and it will take you through to the calendar on St. John's Website.





Easter at St John's

Maundy Thursday Taizé 7:30pm

Good Friday Service 10am

Good Friday Reflections 12-3pm

9am Breakfast Easter Sunday Celebration 10am
with refreshments and children's activities afterwards

We have many exciting things planned for Easter and you will hear more about what is happening in the News next week but on Easter Day there will be breakfast at 9.00am followed by the service at 10.00am. After the service there will be an Easter Egg Hunt and children activities for families plus Hot Cross buns, cakes and refreshments will also be served. Please sign up by [clicking here](#) so we know how many to cater for. Thank you.

LOVE SOUTHBOURNE

Last week I had been looking at the work of Love Southbourne and would like to plan some events for the future, especially for Easter. Are you interested in **reaching out** to the Southbourne Community? Have you any ideas of events we could plan? I would like to get the **Love Southbourne Team** up running again and Susie and I are planning to hold a **meeting** on Sunday, **26th March** at **3.00pm** at the **vicarage** where you can come along and find out more and join the Team if you want to. If you would like some information, please speak with Tom, Susie or Jon.

Please **sign up here** if you are interested in coming so we know how many to cater for.
Hopefully see you there!



Tom

CHRISTIAN AID

A HUGE THANK YOU to all who contributed to the Christian Aid emergency appeal for Turkey and Syria. If you still wish to contribute you can do so via the Christian Aid website.

Christian Aid week 14th-21st May.

I will be ordering the deliver only Christian Aid envelopes soon. Please let me know by March 26th if you would like to deliver envelopes in the parish or in your own local roads in Christian Aid week.

I also need volunteers to help organise the envelopes; and people to organise and run the book stall and cake stall for the Christian Aid Garden Party Sunday 21st May. I know this sounds a long way off, but I need a team of helpers in advance this year please.

Please contact Julie Fair 01243 372070 or 07899077035

julie58fair@btinternet.com

WANTED: Book and dvds for the Christian Aid Garden Party Sunday 21st May. Please leave in a carrier bag at back of church each Sunday or under my porch 10 Hither Green Southbourne PO10 8JA

Many thanks Julie



ANIMAL FOOD BANK

St John's has decided to trial a pet food bank for people in our local community who may need a little help. Donations of in date, sealed dog and cat food will be most welcome. Also, please spread the word in our local community to people you know, so they know that help is available if they need it



MUSLIM WORLD

Copies of 30 days of Prayer for Muslim World now available at back of Church and Centre. Donation of £1.50 welcome



ELECTORAL ROLL

If you would like to be a registered member of our Church and are not on the list posted on the notice board, please complete [the form here](#), or obtain a paper one from the back of Church and hand to the welcome team or leave in the office.

Any questions see Anne Marsden.



SOUND & PROJECTOR TRAINING

Laptop projector and sound desk training for morning or 4pm family service. If you are interested in helping with either of these, please contact Martin Fair for details. martinfair@btinternet.com or 01243 372070



COME & HEAR THE LATEST NEWS FROM BEATS

Friday 24th March, St John's Church Centre, 7.00pm drinks and nibbles for 7.30pm start.

Sarah will speak, showing photos and videos about the work of BEATS in Indonesia, helping earthquake and tsunami victims, including her recent trip to BEATS' 4 supported projects.

Then there will be a short break with time for questions and chat and more drinks and nibbles.

BEATS Trustees hope you can come to this gathering.





COMMUNION SERVICES

Here is the regular pattern of Holy Communion at St. John's Church on Sundays from now onwards.

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



PRAYER MEETINGS

Monday Morning 8:30am Zoom

Street Prayers 9.30am Zoom

Thursday Morning 8:30am Zoom

2nd & 4th Sundays 6:30pm Zoom

[Click Here to join the zoom](#)

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

This week we will be praying for:- Priors Orchard, Belmont Place, Harcourt Crescent, Worcester Drive,

Meadow View, Patricia Way, Jepson Walk & Brooks Close. Our prayers will focus on wider church fellowship events coming up.

[Click here to join the zoom](#)

Tuesday 9:30am - 10:15am

Please feel free to join us especially if we are praying for your area.



Summer

Let's Go

CAMPING

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NEW WINE

Wed 26 July – Sun 30 July 2023

Kent Event Centre,
Maidstone, Kent,
ME14 3JF

OAK HALL

Family and Friends Week

19 - 25 August & 25 - 28 August

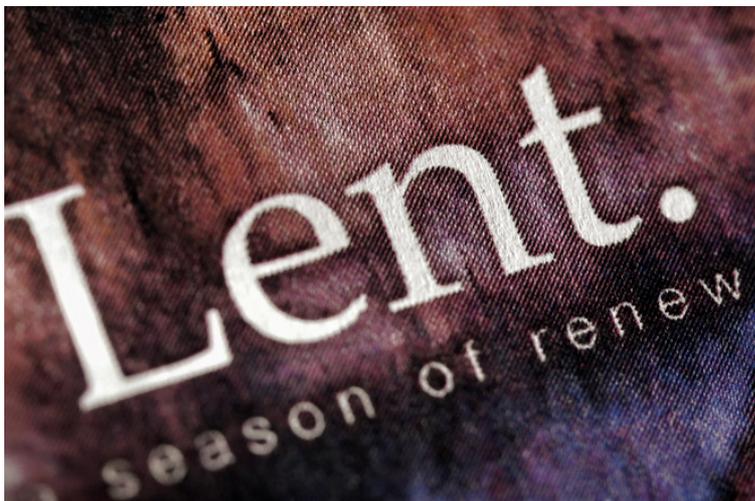
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NEW WINE - EXCITING, EXPERIENCE, EXTRAORDINARY
OAK HALL - RETREAT, RELAX AND RECONNECT.

Lots of St John's already booked.

LENT



The Lent talks will continue this Sunday during the 10.00am Service. Each week of this series will be encouraging, challenging and helpful to us all as we head towards the great celebration of Easter Sunday.

Men's Socials

Thursday
23rd March



Drink & a catch up

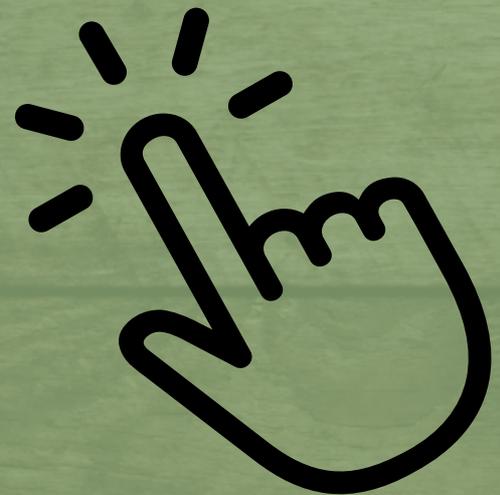
7:30pm - 9:30pm

The Travellers Joy Pub

325 Main Road

Southbourne

PO10 8JH



If you would like to attend please
contact Richard Carter on:

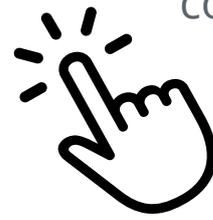
07966409173 or

families@stjohnssouthbourne.com

or scan the code to sign up.



Parents of 0-10s, have a look at this promo video and post your interest in the church connect groups if you'd like this course to run.



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

 **ST JOHN'S TOTS**

Thursday Mornings in term time.
St John's Church Centre, Southbourne
10-11:45am £2 per family

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.



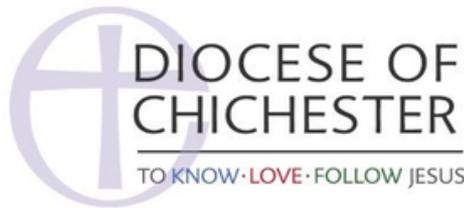
YOUTH NEWS



Next High Tide 12th May
Meet at church 6:30pm
Transport Provided



Yr 7 +



Maycamp

SIGN UP!

Friday 26th May - Monday 29th May

Plumpton Racecourse

Year 6 and upwards

All meals and transport provided

3 nights camping

£130 (Bursaries available)



4 O'clock Church INFO

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? [Click Here](#)





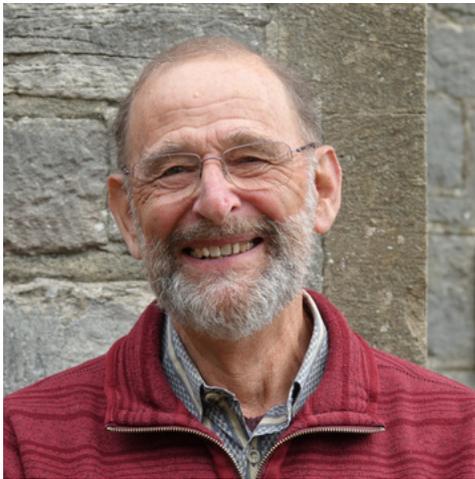
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