

## Children's Sunday Groups at St John's

These are the groups we run for children and young people during the 9.30am service each Sunday:

*Rising Stars* - Ages 0-5 in the Pauling Room

*The Big God Space* - Ages 5-10 in the Jubilee Hall

*Streetwise* - Age 11+ in the Lodge

We'd love to see you, come and join in the fun!

### Attention families!

For services where there are no Sunday Clubs, or if you come to church without your child, please use the 'sign in' book at the back of church so that you are registered as attending. Thank you.

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**Office opening hours**  
Monday - Friday, 9.30am - 12.30pm

10 April 2016

## The Third Sunday of Easter

**8.00am Heritage Communion**  
Presiding: Revd Peter Pickett  
Preaching: Jill Maddock  
Assisting: Dick Thwaites

Epistle: 1 Peter 2: 19 - 25  
Gospel: John 10: 11 - 16

**9.30am Contemporary Communion**  
Presiding: Revd Jill Preece  
Preaching: Jorj Kowszun  
Assisting: David & Jenny Barker,  
Diana Guthrie, Catherine Butcher,  
Clive & Kate Dilloway

**11.15am Morning Prayer**  
Leading: Revd Giles Carpenter  
Preaching: Jorj Kowszun

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## Next Sunday

### Sunday 17 April

**8.00am Heritage Communion**  
Presiding & Preaching: Revd David Maddock  
Assisting: Diana Guthrie

**9.30am Contemporary Service**  
Leading: Revd Giles Carpenter  
Preaching: Revd Chris Oldroyd

**11.15am Classic Communion**  
Presiding: Revd Giles Carpenter  
Preaching: Revd Chris Oldroyd  
Assisting: Patricia Kelley, Ann Reid,  
Margaret Kowszun & Trevor Salmon

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## EVENTS THIS WEEK

- Monday 11 April**  
 9.00am Morning Prayer (back of church)  
 11.00pm PARCHE at Camelot  
 2.30pm Scrabble Club (Jubilee Hall)
- Tuesday 12 April**  
 10.30am Movement to Music (Jubilee Hall)  
 2.30pm Moulands' Home Group  
 7.00pm Street Party meeting (Pauling Room)  
 7.30pm Blands' Home Group
- Wednesday 13 April**  
 9.30am Quiet Prayer (chapel)  
 7.30pm Peter Pickett's Home Group
- Thursday 14 April**  
 10.00am Parent & Toddler Group (Jubilee Hall)  
 11.00am Holy Communion (chapel)  
*Presiding & Preaching: Revd Giles Carpenter*  
 2.30pm Maddocks' Home Group  
 7.30pm Thompsons' Home Group
- Friday 15 April**  
 10.00am Paperback Library & Coffee Pot Computing  
 (Parish Hall)
- Saturday 16 April**  
 8.30am Prayer Plus - monthly prayer meeting  
 followed by breakfast in the Jubilee Hall

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### Thank you!

The Mad March Fayre and other similar events made a wonderful total of £2,106. This will be divided between Katie's two special wishes - REVIVE and the placing of the cross in church.

A VERY BIG THANK YOU! to all who supported the sale events, or gave donations, and especially to those who gave time to help, transport, set up, make refreshments, sell goods, and clear up at the end.

Praise the Lord for such a fantastic result.

Sheila & Effene

### Points for Prayer this week

- Thanksgiving for the wonderful total reached at the Mad March Fayre
- Plans for the celebration of the Queen's 90th birthday
- Growth to be evident in the children's work
- The European Union preparations to enlarge our understanding prior to the Referendum

## Children's News

Parent & Toddler Group returns to the Jubilee Hall on Thursday 14 April, after the Easter break.



### Celebrating the Queen's 90th Birthday

St John's is inviting the community to celebrate the Queen's 90th birthday with a Thanksgiving Service on Sunday 12 June followed by a street party. We would like to give street party guests a copy of *The Servant Queen and the King She Serves* – a souvenir book which uses the Queen's own words to draw out the central role of her trust in Jesus Christ. Copies are available to order in bulk at £10 for 10 copies (plus p&p). To keep p&p costs down we are placing a bulk order. Preview a copy of the book at the back of church today and place your order – a donation of £5 per person will secure you a copy to keep, a copy to give away and three copies for St John's to give away to street party guests. Donations will be taken upon collection of the books.



### Talking about Jesus

In almost every Christmas broadcast the Queen talks naturally about her faith in Jesus Christ. On Saturday 21 May, Catherine Butcher (co-author of *The Servant Queen and the King She Serves*) will hold a short workshop on talking about Jesus using the book *The Servant Queen*. The workshop is in the Jubilee Hall from 10.30am to 12 noon.

### Men's Breakfast

Due to requests from a number of attendees to meet every month the next Men's Breakfast will be on Saturday 30 April.

We hope that the next breakfast will concentrate on the 'link visiting' that is part of the Diocesan and church vision for the future.

What is it? How can we be part of it? Come and find out - we men have a big part to play!



### Christian Resource Centre, Seaside

The CRC have a special offer of 50% off the price of all cards for the month of April.

Pop down, take a look and stock up!



**50% OFF**

# NEWS & EVENTS

**Bible By The Beach**  
DISTINCTIVE -  
the power of  
transforming grace  
29 April - 2 May 2016,  
Congress Theatre,  
Eastbourne.



**Volunteers needed** to assist at as many sessions/seminars as they are able. We offer free entry to the all the events over the weekend, meals provided when on duty and coffee/tea available all the weekend. Stewarding is a great way of meeting people attending the event as well as having a really good time, learning, sharing your faith and working for God's Kingdom! Volunteer application forms are available in the Cloister.

**Also Two Volunteer Tech assistants required:**  
Two people required who are happy to lift and carry, and bend, and put down a carpet etc, for Friday 29 April - 9am - 6pm (Congress: Eastbourne) and potentially available on Thursday 28 April from 2pm - 6pm... to help the tech team generally and also set up radios.



If interested please contact the Bible By The Beach Events team on [info@biblebythebeach.org](mailto:info@biblebythebeach.org) or tel: 07958 047140 and we will put you in touch with our Technical Manager to discuss further.

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**Eastbourne Food Bank**  
The Food Bank is always in need of provisions. Please remember to add an extra tin or two when you're shopping and bring your donations to church for the Food Bank crate, situated in the cloister. Thank you.



**Deanery Healing Ministry Group**  
The next meeting is arranged for Wednesday 11 May, 7.30pm at St Mary's Church, Hampden Park by kind invitation of Revd Mike Blanch. Refreshments from 7.10pm. Everyone welcome.

**Chaseley Songs of Praise Service**  
Our next Songs of Praise at Chaseley will be on Tuesday 19 April at 2pm. Please let Vic Lawrence know if you'd like to join in.



**LINKS meeting**  
There will be a LINKS meeting on Wednesday 20 April at 10.30am in the Pauling Room. Coffee will be served at 10am. If you would like to be part of the LINKS team or would like to find out more about it then please come along, everyone welcome!

**Sunday 17 April**  
Rachel & Neil Grimes would like to invite everyone to join them and Astrid for a selection of sweet treats with your tea and coffee after the 9.30am service on Sunday 17th April. This is a small token of their appreciation of the overwhelming love and support all at St John's have shown them as they welcomed Astrid into the world. We hope you can join us!



**Vision Day, Sunday 24 April**  
On Sunday 24 April there will be a 10am Combined Communion Service followed by an opportunity for you to be part of a fun and interactive workshop that will engage all ages. This will begin directly after coffee at the end of the 10am service on 24 April. We will finish with a light buffet lunch followed by a final roundup. Please join us, so you can help us to move forward as a church for all ages.

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## APCM/APM Meeting Tuesday 19 April, 7pm



**ELECTORAL ROLL NOTICE**  
We are revising the electoral roll ready for the Annual Meeting on 19 April. If you are on the electoral roll already, you don't have to do anything (there's a list of names already on the roll, at the back of the church if you need to check). If you would like your name to be added, please pick up an application form from the back of church and return it to the church office. You are eligible if you have been baptised and live in the parish or have worshipped here for six months. If you have any queries, please contact Jo in the church office.

**ANNUAL CHURCH MEETINGS NOTICE**  
The Annual Church Meetings will take place on Tuesday 19 April, and we require nominations for the Churchwardens (1-year term) and PCC members. Please use the nomination forms at the back of the church. Nominees must be on the electoral roll and have attended the church for 6 months. If you wish to nominate someone, please complete the right form (including the nominee's signature) and give it to a churchwarden.



## New to St John's? - Connexions

# CONNEXIONS

A very warm welcome from us all if you are new or visiting St John's for the first time. We hope you enjoy being part of our church family. If you are looking for a church and would like to find out more about us, Giles our vicar, and his wife Rachel, regularly host an informal afternoon (by invitation) with a cream tea at the vicarage. This is a great chance to find out more about the vision of St John's church and our mission to make disciples and to serve the community of Meads.

For more details please complete one of the Connexions/Welcome cards (usually available in the pews) and return it to one of our welcome team.

Another way in which we like to reach people is through our 'Keeping In Touch' email list. To be included in the mailing list please sign one of the forms on the Welcome Desk. You'll then receive regular updates and news.

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## New Wine Summer Camp

Saturday, 23 July to  
Friday, 29 July 2016  
Royal Bath & West  
Showground,  
Shepton Mallet,  
Somerset.



Come and join us at New Wine this year. A group from St John's will be attending the summer 'New Wine' camp at the Royal Bath and West Showground. The week-long programme includes morning and evening celebrations, seminars, teaching, and a great opportunity to get to know other members of the church family both here at St John's and from our Deanery partner church of St Elisabeth's who we will be pitching camp with. It's going to be great fun!

For more information and to book go to The New Wine website: <https://www.new-wine.org> and book under St Elisabeth's (NOT St John's) or alternatively contact Giles or Jill Preece for more information.



Summer Fête 2016

Saturday 4 June  
12 noon - 4pm

It's that time of year again when we begin to ask for donations to various stalls for our ever popular Summer Fête.

We need the following...

**Bottles** - for our very popular 'bottle tombola' stall so please feel free to pop into the office with any spare, unopened, bottles.

**Plants** - cuttings, plug plants, house plants or outdoor plants  
*lots needed!*

**Bric-a-brac**

**Cakes** - on Friday 3 June please, for our fantastic cake stall, plus jam, preserve, chutney, marmalade are all very popular too!

Please bring your donations to the church office. We look forward to receiving them, thank you.



To make it a success we desperately need a team of people who can work behind the scenes gathering together everything we need on the day (and the day before).

Our requirements are:

**The day before :-**

- ◆ someone with a van who can collect tables from the Parish Hall (and take them all back again after the event on Saturday or Sunday)
- ◆ someone to put up the bunting (and take it down again afterwards)
- ◆ tables and chairs to be arranged in the Jubilee Hall with table cloths etc

**On the day AM :-**

- ◆ approx. 20/30 chairs to be set up for the Silver Band
- ◆ tables and chairs to be set up on the day for the stall holders
- ◆ general help if anyone needs an extra pair of hands

Please let Jo Naunton know (in the church office) if you can help in any way.

Email: [office@stjm.org.uk](mailto:office@stjm.org.uk) or phone: 01323 738671

Thank you!