

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

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

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11 February 2018

The Sunday Next Before Lent

8.00am Heritage Communion
Presiding: Revd Giles Carpenter
Preaching: Revd Jill Preece
Assisting: Richard Wells

Epistle: Ephesians 6: 10 - 18
Gospel: Matthew 6: 9 - 13

9.30am Contemporary Communion
Presiding: Revd Giles Carpenter
Preaching: Revd Jill Preece
Assisting: Sheila O'Hanlon, Nick Pendry, Clive & Kate Dilloway, Jorj & Margaret Kowszun

11.15am Choral Matins
Leading: Revd Giles Carpenter
Preaching: Revd Peter Pickett

Sunday 18 February 2018

8.00am Heritage Communion
Presiding: Revd Giles Carpenter
Preaching: Jorj Kowszun

9.30am Contemporary Service
Leading: Revd Giles Carpenter
Preaching: Jorj Kowszun

11.15am Classic Communion
Presiding: Revd Giles Carpenter
Preaching: Jorj Kowszun
Assisting: Sheila MacNicol, Trevor Salmon & Patricia Kelley

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday 12 February

- 9.00am Morning Prayer (back of church)
- 11.00am PARCHE at Camelot
- 2.30pm Scrabble Club (Jubilee Hall)
- 7.30pm Confirmation Class # 4

Tuesday 13 February

- 10.30am Movement to Music (Jubilee Hall)
- 7.30pm PCC meeting (Pauling Room)

Wednesday 14 February Ash Wednesday

- 9.30am Quiet Prayer
- 2.30pm Bible study (Pauling Room)
- 7.00pm Imposition of Ashes Service (church)
- 8.00pm approx. Adams' Home Group to follow the Imposition of Ashes Service
- 7.30pm Springfield Home Group

Thursday 15 February

- 11.00am Holy Communion (church)
- 2.30pm Patchwork Love meeting (Pauling Room)
- 2.30pm Maddocks' Home Group
- 6.30pm Living Faith Course (Jubilee Hall)
- 7.15pm Rustington Court Home Group
- 7.30pm Alpha Course # 6

Friday 16 February

- 10.00am Paperback Library & Coffeepot Computing (Parish Hall)

Saturday 17 February

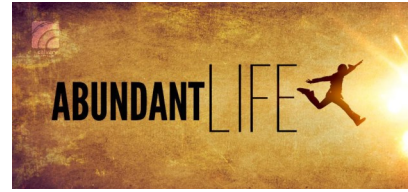
- 8.30am Prayer Plus (back of church)

Points for Prayer this week

- For the impact of the Building for the Response Document, that together we may embrace God's future for St John's
- For Maggie Gibson as she prepares to travel to India on 12th February, for protection in her travels and for her ministry of encouragement to the local church
- For the Diocesan Day of Healing on 17th February, that God's Spirit will be at work among all who come and that gifts of healing will be given

Diocesan Day of Healing

Saturday 17 February there will be a Diocesan Day of Healing taking place at Victoria Baptist Church, Eldon Road, Eastbourne.



LIFE IN ALL ITS FULLNESS

Everyone is welcome

Non-returnable booking fee of £10 per person

Apply on-line via www.chichester.anglican.org/events
Alternatively use the booking form in the Cloister
Or contact lifainallitsfullness2018@gmail.com

Drinks will be provided but please bring your own lunch.

Rotary Club - Jazz Concert

The Rotary Club of Eastbourne is holding its annual Jazz Concert on Wednesday 28th March at 7.00pm in the Eastbourne College Theatre, tickets £15 each. By popular demand the Storyville Strutters Dixie Sextet will be playing again.



Please contact Paul Honney on 01323 724374 to purchase tickets.

Availability slips

Availability slips for the next round of rotas are now in the pigeon holes for those of you not on email.

Please pick yours up today as they need to be returned to me in the office by tomorrow.

Thank you, Jo

NEWS & EVENTS

St John's trip to Chennai

Are you interested in joining a team from St John's to visit our mission partners CMCT in the city of Chennai (Madras) in Southern India? If you would like to find out more about this exciting opportunity to get some hands on experience of mission and ministry in this fascinating part of the world speak to Maggie Gibson or Giles. The intended date for the trip will be between 19 October and 28 October, but the exact dates have not been confirmed as yet.

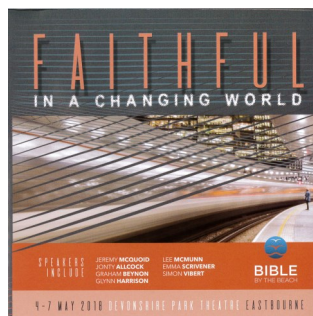


Bible by The Beach 4 - 7 May 2018

'Faithful in a changing world'

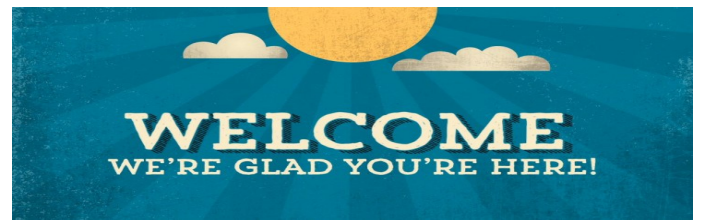
Bible By The Beach this year will be held at the Devonshire Park Theatre from 4th to 7th May. There will be lots of guest speakers including, Jeremy McQuoid, Emma Scrivener and Jonty Allcock. The weekend will also have a full programme for all ages with lots of kids and youth events.

Discounted ticket rates apply before 28 February. Application forms are available in the Cloister or go online to: www.biblebythebeach.org



Friends of the DGH

The Friends are recruiting volunteers to help out in their new Flower Shop. No experience needed. Pop in and have a chat to find out more or contact The Friends Office: 01323 438236



CONNEXIONS

New to St John's? - 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 with tea and cake 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.

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 or complete a Welcome card. You'll then receive updates and news.

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

Building For The Future

If you haven't already taken your copy of the Response Document please pick one up on your way out today.

Inside the document is form entitled 'Discussion Sessions'

We are running three discussion sessions to discuss Building For The Future.

The dates and times are:

Tuesday 20 February - 7pm
Sunday 25 February - 2pm
Monday 26 February - 12 noon

Please let us know which session you are attending so that we can set up the room with enough tables and chairs, make sure that we have an ample supply of tea, coffee and cake and arrange for helpers to look after children.

Please complete this form and put it in the box at the back of the church or return it to the church office. Thank you.

Flower Team

We urgently need a replacement leader for our Flower Team. If you're interested in learning more about this role, then please contact Giles, Jill Preece or Jo in the office.



Foodbank - urgent donations still required

Eastbourne Foodbank's stock of food is extremely low at present and they urgently need the following items to enable them to maintain the service they provide:

- Tinned fruit
- Tinned Rice pudding
- Biscuits
- Microwavable rice
- Tinned tomatoes
- Cereal



Donations are always gratefully received.



Women's World Day of Prayer

Friday 2 March

St Agnes Catholic Church

Sermons Online



You can find the Sunday Sermons online on our website, on Facebook or on YouTube. A great way to keep up to date with the current messages.

Parent & Toddler Group

Just a reminder that next Thursday, 15th February there will not be a Parent & Toddler session as it's half term. But join us again the following week as usual.

CAMEO

Monday 19 February - all ladies welcome to join us for our Film Afternoon - "Tea with Mussolini" 2pm - 4pm in the Jubilee Hall.

We shall start promptly so we can finish by 4pm. There will be an interval with refreshments (no ice creams though!).



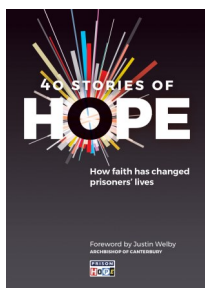
Patchwork Love Prayer Blanket

We have a Baptism taking place on Sunday 18 February for Matilda Funnell - Strange, so please come and pray over the blanket and write a message in the card.



40 Stories of Hope

40 Stories of Hope has been compiled by Catherine Butcher and includes our vicar's story - story 19. The foreword is by the Archbishop of Canterbury and the book includes stories from prisoners, prison chaplains and ex-prisoners, together with 40 daily readings and prayers. It is the 2018 Lent book for Churches Together In Britain and Ireland.



Copies are available at the back of church for £2 or can be ordered online at www.cwr.org.uk/hope where copies can be ordered as a gift for prisoners.

Summer Fete 2018

This year our Summer Fete will be held on Saturday 9 June between 12 noon and 4pm. As usual we'll be asking for volunteers to help with various aspects, from setting up tables and chairs, to manning a stall or helping with refreshments. If you'd like to help, even in a small way, then please contact Jo in the office to discuss how you can get involved.

Watch this space for more information!!

