

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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Please turn your Hearing Aid to T.



28 January 2018

The Fourth Sunday of Epiphany

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

Epistle: Psalm 22: 1- 5
Gospel: Mark 14: 32 - 42

9.30am Contemporary Communion
Presiding: Revd Jill Preece
Preaching: Revd Giles Carpenter
Assisting: Nick Pendry, Clive & Kate Dilloway, Phyllis Hall, Margaret & Jorj Kowszun

11.15am Classic Communion
Presiding: Revd Jill Preece
Preaching: Revd Giles Carpenter
Assisting: Diana Guthrie & Pam Lade

Hymns: 6 (omit verses 5 & 6), 658, 32, 382

Reading: Psalm 22: 1- 5
Read by: Sheila MacNicol

Reading: Mark 14: 32 - 42
Read by: Patricia Kelley

4.00pm Connexions (at the Vicarage)

6.00pm Choral Evensong
Leading: Nick Pendry
Preaching: Jill Maddock

Sunday 4 February 2018

8.00am Heritage Communion
Presiding: Revd Giles Carpenter
Preaching: Nick Pendry
Assisting: Nick & Rosemary Bland

9.30am Contemporary Service
Leading: Revd Jill Preece
Preaching: Revd Nick Pendry

11.15am Classic Communion
Presiding: Revd Jill Preece
Preaching: Nick Pendry
Assisting: Peggy & Robert Millett & Pam Lade

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday	29 January
9.00am	Morning Prayer (back of church)
2.00pm	Pastoral Team meeting (Pauling Room)
5.30pm	Beavers (Jubilee Hall)
7.30pm	Scouts (Jubilee Hall)
7.30pm	Confirmation Class # 2
Tuesday	30 January
10.30am	Movement to Music (Jubilee Hall)
6.30pm	Scout leaders meeting (Jubilee Hall)
Wednesday	31 January
9.30am	Quiet Prayer
2.30pm	Scrabble Club (Jubilee Hall)
6.00pm	Cubs (Jubilee Hall)
7.30pm	Adams' Home Group
7.30pm	Springfield Home Group
Thursday	1 February
10.00am	Parent & Toddler Group (Jubilee Hall)
11.00am	Holy Communion (church)
2.30pm	Maddocks' Home Group
6.30pm	Living Faith Course (Jubilee Hall)
7.15pm	Rustington Court Home Group
7.30pm	Alpha Course #4
Friday	2 February
10.00am	Paperback Library & Coffeepot Computing (Parish Hall)
Saturday	3 February
9.30am	Safeguarding Training Session (Jubilee Hall)

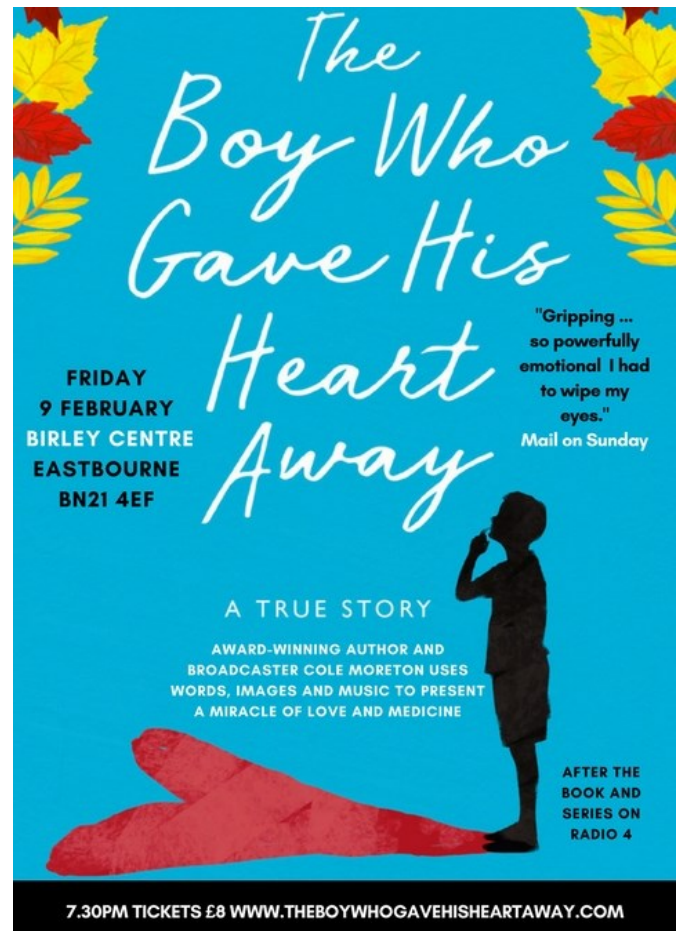
Points for Prayer this week

- All those involved in preparation of Sunday services week by week
- The people contacted through Connexions to find a spiritual home with us
- Victims recovering from the atrocities of the Taliban committed in Kabul recently

Funeral

Ian Main's mother sadly passed away last week and her funeral will be taking place on Friday 23 February at 10.30am in the Family Chapel of Eastbourne Crematorium. If you know Ian and would like to go along to support him then please do.

The Boy Who Gave His Heart Away
Burley Centre
Friday 9 February 2018

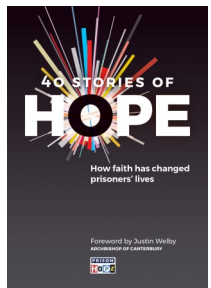


The Boy Who Gave His Heart Away is the moving true story of how one teenager's death gave the gift of life to another, although they never met. A miracle of medicine, love and faith. Award-winning writer and broadcaster Cole Moreton shares the compelling story of a heart transplant live on stage with the help of images and recordings from the families and medics involved. The Boy Who Gave His Heart Away is at The Birley Centre, Friday 9 February, 7.30pm - 10pm.

Tickets £8 in advance from
www.TheBoyWhoGaveHisHeartAway.com.

40 Stories of Hope

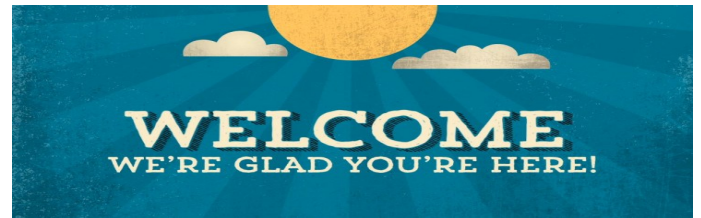
40 Stories of Hope has been compiled by Catherine Butcher and includes our vicar's story – story 19. The foreword is by the Archbishop of Canterbury and the book includes stories from prisoners, prison chaplains and ex-prisoners, together with 40 daily readings and prayers. It is the 2018 Lent book for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



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.



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.

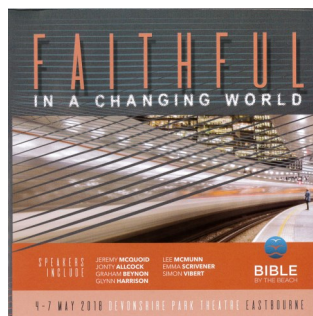


Bible by The Beach 4 - 7 May 2018

'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



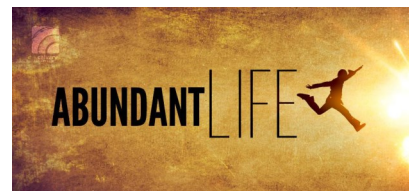
Don't forget - Children's Society candle money boxes

Christmas Candle money boxes need to be returned today. Thank you!



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

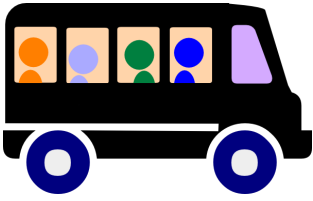
Everyone is welcome

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.

Chaseley



Thank you for great the response we've had so far regarding transport drivers to get the Chaseley residents to church on Sundays.

We could still do with a few more volunteers so if you're willing and able please contact the church wardens.

Maintenance in church

On Saturday 10th February at 9.30am in church, we're inviting everyone who has any DIY skills, on any level, to join us for a get together to help with various jobs that need doing around the church. This can range from changing a light bulb, cleaning windows, to clearing out guttering, or taking rubbish to the tip. If you can help then please come along and lend a hand and let Tony Mottram know.



Donations please!

Our Patchwork Love team need more wool to knit their beautiful prayer blankets. Do you have any surplus knitting wool you'd like to donate?

If you do, please bring it to church and drop it into the basket at the back of church.



Alternatively, a monetary donation can be made if you haven't got any spare wool.

All donations are gratefully received. Thank you.

Clearing out your wardrobe ... ?



... the Family Support Work shop in Cornfield Road is in urgent need of adult clothes.

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.



JPK Sussex Project

Jill Parker MBE, who recently visited CAMEO, has sent this email encouraging everyone to take part in project.



Dear Friends and Supporters,

The JPK Sussex Project applied to Tesco Bags of Help for a Grant towards much needed equipment for the Community Training Centre, which includes the Palm Court Tea Room and Commercial Training Kitchen. Although much of the major equipment has been funded and purchased we still require many other items to fully equip these areas for use by the Students who will be attending training courses and also for the future training Staff and Volunteers.

I am delighted to announce that the JPK has been successful in its application and is one of the three local charities to have been chosen.

The Next Stage of the process is the public vote where Tesco's Customers vote to decide how much money our project will be given, which will be either £1,000, £2,000 or £4,000.

Voting has commenced in the local Tesco Stores by way of tokens being handed out when you shop and placed in one of the three collection receptacles at the exit to the tills. Voting closes at the end of February.

This is where we need your help please?

- Shop at Tesco and receive your token and place in the JPK collection container
- Spread to the word to your family and friends by mouth or pass on this email.

I thank you in anticipation of your support.

You will be making a difference.

Jill

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Heaven

Following Jill Preece's recent sermon, you might like to read 'What you always wanted to know about Heaven ... but were afraid to ask' by Catherine Butcher. Rowena Adams, who has read it says: "It's a book everyone should read." Copies are available new from Catherine for £5 or second-hand online from £0.01 plus p&p.

