

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

29 May 2016

The First Sunday After Trinity

8.00am Heritage Communion
Presiding: Revd Jill Preece
Preaching: Jill Maddock

Epistle: I John 4: 7 - end
Gospel: Luke 16: 19 - 31

9.30am Combined Communion
Presiding: Canon Michael Cole
Preaching: Revd Giles Carpenter
Assisting: David & Jenny Barker,
Sheila O'Hanlon, Carolyn Lacy,
Clive & Kate Dilloway

No 11.15 service today

Next Sunday

Sunday 5 June 2016

8.00am Heritage Communion
Presiding: Revd Giles Carpenter
Preaching: Sarah Hassell

9.30am Contemporary Service
Leading: Revd Jill Preece
Preaching: Jorj Kowszun

11.15am Classic Communion
Presiding: Revd David Maddock
Preaching: Canon Michael Cole
Assisting: Trevor Salmon, Ann Reid,
Diana Guthrie & Derek Moulard

For those of you not on email, your rotas for the next three months are now in the pigeon holes in the Cloister.
Please pick yours up today!

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Please turn your Hearing Aid to T.



EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday 30 May - Bank Holiday
Office Closed
10.30am PARCHE at Meads House

Tuesday 31 May
10.30am Movement to Music (Jubilee Hall)
2.30pm Moulands' Home Group
7.00pm German Choir Concert (church)

Wednesday 1 June
9.30am Quiet Prayer (chapel)
7.00pm Dilloways' Home Group
7.30pm Peter Pickett's Home Group

Thursday 2 June
11.00am Holy Communion (chapel)
Presiding & Preaching: Revd Jill Preece
3.00pm Dennis Folwer's Home Group
7.15pm Rustington Court Home Group
7.30pm *Start! course # 2*

Friday 3 June
10.00am Paperback Library & Coffee Pot Computing
(Parish Hall)

Saturday 4 June
12 noon - 4pm Summer Fete

Points for Prayer this week

- The Start Course, beginning this Thursday
- The Queen's Birthday Celebration on Sunday 12th June; for the Thanksgiving Service and for the Community Street Party
- The Summer Fete on Saturday 4th June, that it will be a great occasion in every way
- People of Aleppo, Homs and other ravaged towns in Syria; especially for the medical teams and the Christians who minister to these shattered communities



The Summer Fete is around the corner!
We've had a lots of wonderful donations so far, thank you to everyone who has donated. There is still time to donate, so if you have any unopened bottles for the bottle tombola, any plants and cakes then please bring them to the office.

We look forward to seeing you all there for a fun afternoon!

Thank you!

Parish Hall fundraising event, Saturday 18 June, 5pm - 7pm

We'll be holding another wonderful Summer Soirée at the Sneaths' home in June, as a fund raising event for the Parish Hall. Come and enjoy wine and canapés in their beautiful garden. Tickets are £12 and available from the church office. Please book early to avoid disappointment!



Friends of Eastbourne Hospital Open Gardens 2016 Saturday 2 July, 10.30am - 4pm, The Meads Trail

The Village, Meads BN20 7RB

Terrie & Alasdair Rintoul
The Folly, 19 Beachy Head Road, Eastbourne BN20 7QP

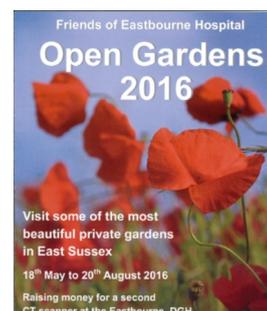
Clare & Trevor Coomber
Bramwell House, 28 Denton Road, Eastbourne BN20 7ST

Pat Latham
4 Cranborne Avenue, Eastbourne BN20 7TS

Sheena Bourn
Flat 1, 59 Silverdale Road, Eastbourne BN20 7AY

St John's Church garden, St John's Road, BN20 7ND

A collection of delightful gardens ranging from the impressive allotments in The Village to the gardens of St John's Church and some beautiful individual gardens that are a joy to visit. Most of these gardens are disabled friendly - please ask at the gate. Refreshments served at St John's Parish Hall, Meads Street. Maps will be provided. Directions as 8th June No 3 Bus.



NEWS & EVENTS

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.





Thursday 26 May sees the launch of our 5-week course based on the *START!* course series.

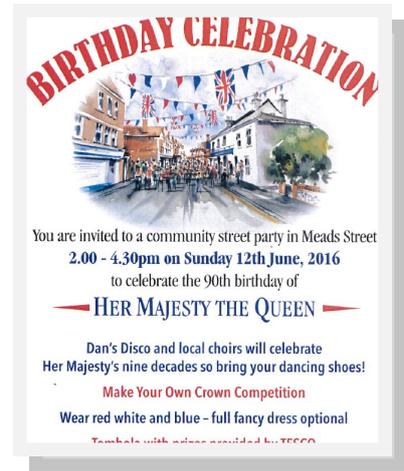
The *START!* course is an introduction to Christianity - a place to discover more and ask questions, to help people who are starting, restarting or revisiting the basis of Christianity. We are going to meet over five consecutive weeks. We will share a meal together first, listen to a presentation and have the chance to chat, ask questions and reflect on the Christian faith in a relaxed atmosphere.

We will be starting at 7.30pm and will finish at roughly 9.30pm. This will be hosted by Olly and Isha Margry at 9 Ascham Place, Meads, BN20 7QQ.

For more information please contact the church office on 01323 738671.

Welcome Hannah!

We'd like to officially welcome Hannah Peattie to our team in her new role as the Early Years Leader & Office Assistant. We know she'll be a valuable new addition, as she's already been partially in the role as a volunteer for a number of months.



You are invited to a community street party in Meads Street 2.00pm - 4.30pm on Sunday 12th June, 2016 to celebrate the 90th birthday of Her Majesty the Queen.

Her Majesty's nine decades will be celebrated with music so bring your dancing shoes!

- ◆ Make Your Own Crown Competition
- ◆ Wear red white and blue – full fancy dress optional
- ◆ Tombola with prizes provided by TESCO

Organised by St. John's Church, Meads Community Association, St. John's Bowling Club and Friends of Meads Parks and Gardens.

URGENTLY NEEDED!

Volunteers are needed to help on the day – we need lots of help with setting up tables and chairs plus people to man the food tables, please contact Efféne Lomas, Tony Mottram or Catherine Butcher.

Programme for Sunday 12 June 2016

- 10.00am A Service of Thanksgiving at St John's Church, St John's Road
- 2.00pm Take your places at the tables and chairs provided Please give priority to elderly and disabled party guests
- 2.00pm – 4.30pm Music from Her Majesty's nine decades by Dan's Disco and local school choirs
- 3.00pm – 3.30pm Judging and prize giving for the Make Your Own Crown Competition with prizes for all age groups
- 4.00pm Communal singing of Happy Birthday to the Queen followed by the cake cutting ceremony
- 4.30pm Communal singing of the National Anthem

- Entertainment, tables, chairs and decorations will be provided
- Seats are available on a first come, first served basis
- Bring your own food – supplementary items will be provided by TESCO.

St. John's Parish Hall, Meads Street is the wet-weather alternative venue

Visit us on Facebook: The Queen's 90th Birthday in Meads, Eastbourne



New to St John's? - Connexions

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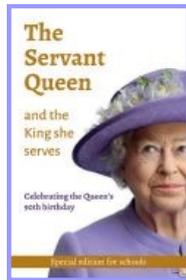
A very warm welcome from us all if you are new or visiting St John's for the first time. We hope you enjoy being part of our church family. If you are looking for a church and would like to find out more about us, Giles our vicar, and his wife Rachel, regularly host an informal afternoon (by invitation) 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.

The Servant Queen books now available

Copies of The Servant Queen and the King She Serves are now available. Thanks to all who have donated funds to enable us to give copies away at the street party. Further orders and further donations are welcome.



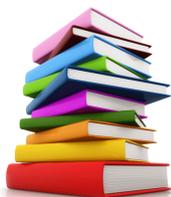
German Choir here at St John's

On Tuesday 31 May, the celebrated German male voice choir, Die Alten Knaben, have generously offered to give us a free concert at the end of their tour of this country. The concert will start at 7pm in church and refreshments will be provided. Everyone welcome!



Everest for Esubi

On Monday 30 May Richard Pasco & Andy Williams will be attempting a feat that has only been achieved by a handful of others - cycling the height of Mount Everest in a day. Starting at 5am they will be cycling up and down Pashley Road a total of 219 times (that's 172 miles cycling) all in aid of Esuudi, a charity which works with some of Uganda's neediest children. For more details see the leaflets and poster in the Cloister.



Lending Library

The Lending Library will be available between the services NEXT week. There are some new books to borrow for 50p.

Sarah Hassell granted a transfer of her Lay Reader License!

We are delighted to announce that Sarah Hassell has been granted a license by Bishop Richard to exercise her ministry as a Lay Reader here at St John's. Sarah was a reader for 18 years in her last parish in Rochester diocese before moving to Eastbourne with her husband Ray last year.



We are thrilled to have Sarah on our ministry team here at St John's and hope she will be more formally welcomed as a reader in the diocese at a special service for all Lay Readers later this year.

RE-IMAGING MINISTRY.... What is a Lay Reader?



LAY READERS

Readers are lay people who have been selected, trained and licensed by the Bishop of a diocese to preach, teach and lead worship in a pastoral context. There are more than 10,000 active Readers in the Church of England. Most are licensed to a parish but some are chaplains in prisons, hospitals, hospices or schools, a few are in

charge of parishes.

Might God be calling you?

No matter how confident or otherwise you might feel, if you sense that God might be calling you to explore this type of ministry why not have an initial chat to one of our team of readers: Sarah Hassell, Jorj Kowszun, Jill Maddock, Catherine Butcher* and Nick Pendry* (both in training*). Or speak to Giles who served for 8 years as a reader himself before being ordained.

More Prayer Needed!

If you are free at 11.45am on Thursday 9th June (after the 11am Holy Communion service), Please come to the Chapel and join in a special time of prayer, covering the Queen's 90th Birthday Celebration, and especially the community street party on Sunday 12th June.

Thank You!

Audrey Harvey would like to thank everyone who has so kindly sent messages of good will and promises of prayer following the severe back problems she developed recently.

Mary Murray

We bid farewell to Mary Murray who this coming week travels to Norwich to continue her retirement close to her family. Mary, with her late husband Andrew, were members of the church for many years and more recently Mary has been involved in the Wednesday prayer meeting and also leading and participating in Alma Lodge and other nursing homes. We thank her for her many years of service and pray that God will richly bless her in the years ahead, close to her family. The move has come up so quickly for Mary that she could not face further goodbyes. She has had many individual meeting with people and if anyone would like her address then please contact Toni Lawrence for details.

