

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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15 April 2018

The Third Sunday of Easter

8.00am Heritage Communion
Presiding & Preaching: Revd David Maddock
Assisting: Dick Thwaites

Epistle: Acts 3: 12 - 19
Gospel: Luke 24: 36 - 48

9.30am Contemporary Service
Leading: Jorj Kowszun
Preaching: Catherine Butcher

11.15am Classic Communion
Presiding & Preaching: Canon Michael Cole
Assisting: Diana Guthrie & Derek Moulard

Hymns: 754, 217, 53, 241

Reading: Acts 3: 12 - 19
Read by: Patricia Kelley

Reading: Luke 24: 36 - 48
Read by: David Oakenfold

Sunday 22 April 2018

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

9.30am Contemporary Communion
Presiding: Revd Giles Carpenter
Preaching: Revd Jill Preece
Assisting: Sheila O'Hanlon, Phyllis Hall, Rowena Adams, Nick Pendry, Jorj & Margaret Kowszun

11.15am Classic Communion
Presiding: Revd Giles Carpenter
Preaching: Revd Jill Preece
Assisting: Patricia Kelley & Sheila MacNicol

6.00pm Choral Evensong
Leading: Nick Pendry
Preaching: Jorj Kowszun

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday	16 April
9.00am	Morning Prayer (back of church)
10.30am	PARCHE in Alma Lodge
12.00pm	Funeral - Margaret Kennett (church) followed by refreshments in the Jubilee Hall
5.30pm	Beavers (Jubilee Hall)
7.30pm	Scouts (Jubilee Hall)
Tuesday	17 April
10.00 -	
4.00pm	Clergy Study Day (church & Jubilee Hall)
7.00pm	APCM/APM (Jubilee Hall)
Wednesday	18 April
9.30am	Quiet Prayer (in Chapel)
6.00pm	Cubs (Jubilee Hall)
Thursday	19 April
10.00am	Parents & Toddlers (Jubilee Hall)
11.00am	Holy Communion (church)
6.30pm	Living Faith Course (Jubilee Hall)
Friday	20 April
10.00am	Paperback Library & Coffee Pot Computing (Parish Hall)
Saturday	21 April
8.30am	Prayer Plus (back of church)

Points for Prayer this week

- For our Vicar, Giles Carpenter and his family following the death of Giles' mother, Esther, and for the funeral on Friday 20 April.
- For all those caught up in the chemical attack on Douma in Syria, and for all those working for peace in this deeply troubled country.
- For the family and friends of all those who have recently lost their lives in traffic accidents and terrorist attacks; also for vigilance on the part of the public and the security forces in all countries in danger of such attacks.



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.

St John's Festival of Remembrance

This year the Commonwealth will mark the centenary of the end of World War I. On 11 November 2018, we will observe Remembrance Sunday, reflecting on the lives that were changed irrevocably, and those that were lost. Some of those were local men, whose lives are remembered on the War Memorial in St John's Church Tower.

During this year, as part of our 60th anniversary 'Building for the Future' appeal, we plan to repair the church tower so it can be opened to the public.

We will mark the anniversary of the end of World War I with a Remembrance Festival on Saturday and Sunday 10th and 11th November. As well as marking this significant 100th anniversary, we will also give thanks for the sacrifice made by many men and women in more recent conflicts.

Initial plans include a prayer vigil in the tower from 10am on Saturday 10th November through the night to 10am on 11th November and the start of our Remembrance Sunday service. As well as an opportunity for members of the parish to share items that they may have of that period in a display in church. Members of the parish will also be encouraged to engage in researching the stories of those named on the memorial to create life stories of those recorded.

If you would like to be part of the planning team for this special weekend, please contact the church wardens: churchwarden@stjm.org.uk

Funeral

The funeral of Margaret Kennett will be taking place here at St John's on Monday 16 April at 12 noon. Followed by refreshments in the Jubilee Hall. Margaret was a faithful member of St John's for many years and also served as an assistant Treasurer during that time.



Quiet Day on Saturday, 2nd June

Arranged by the Chichester Evangelical Fellowship at Slaugham Church, RH17 6AG, from 9.30am to 3pm
Leader: Bob Key, former Dean of Jersey.

Further details and to book:
chichesterdef.org.uk/events/quietday2018 or contact Hugh Lowries on 01323 488527.

PLEASE NOTE – Alpha Bereavement Journey Group

IT HAS NOW BECOME NECESSARY TO POSTPONE
THIS PROGRAMME

For further details, please speak with Sheila Smith
or email at smith63@uwclub.net

Esther Carpenter's funeral

The funeral of Esther Carpenter, will be taking place on Friday 20 April in Wonersh, near Guildford at 2.30pm. If you are intending to go to the funeral, or would like to go, could you please let the church office know so that transport arrangements may be co-ordinated to enable as many people as possible to attend. Thank you.

Thank you!

Margaret Moulard would like to thank all who joined in decorating the church so beautifully for Easter; it looked amazing.

Derek Moulard also wants to thank everyone who joined him at the DGH for the Chapel Service on Easter Sunday. He has been assured by staff and patients alike that it was greatly appreciated. **Thank you.**

Prayers for Martha Weatherill

Martha is to be ordained Priest on Saturday 19 May 2018 at 2.30pm in the parish Church of St Mary's, Storrington, West Sussex. If anyone wishes to attend then please note, you will need to make your own way there.



Please pray for

MARTHA GRACE WEATHERILL

To be Ordained Priest by

MARK, BISHOP OF HORSHAM

In the Parish Church of St Mary, Storrington,
West Sussex

On Saturday, 19th May 2018 at 14:30

Please pray also for Jonathan and Amy, and for Canon Simon Holland and the priests and people of the Benefice of St Paul, Chichester with St Peter, Westhampnett among whom Martha continues to serve.

Mthr Martha will celebrate the First Eucharist on Pentecost Sunday, at St Paul's, Chichester on 20th May at 11:00am.

Holy Spirit, sent by the Father, ignite in us your holy fire; strengthen your children with the gift of faith, revive your Church with the breath of love, and renew the face of the earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord
Pentecost Collect, Common Worship



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.



At the APCM this year we would like to recognise two members of the church: Pam Lade, who has recently stepped down from Verger/Sacristan duties, and Margaret Kowszun who is about to step down as Churchwarden.

We'd love to formally thank both of them with a gift to each. So if you would like to make a contribution to the cost, please take it to the Church office. Thank you.



***** LAST CHANCE FOR NOMINATIONS! *****

NOMINATIONS - CHURCHWARDEN & PCC MEMBERS

If you would like to nominate someone, this is your last chance before the APCM on Tuesday. So please use the nomination forms at the back of church. Nominees must be on the Electoral Roll and have attended the church for six months. If you wish to nominate someone, please complete the appropriate form (including the signature of the nominee) and give it to a church warden or hand it in at the church office.

Men's Breakfast

The next Men's Breakfast is the 5 May at 8.00 at Holywell Cafe, when Robert Millett will be sharing his Thought for the Day. The sign up list will be in the church cloister. Please remember if you sign up and cannot attend, cross your name off the list or call me on 749329. The list will be removed the Tuesday before the event.



Future dates for your diary:

23 June: Neil Cumming
28 July: Chris Sneath

Interested in the arts?

Theatre, poetry, watercolours, oils, photography, music ... St John's wants to champion and develop artistic and cultural expression in Meads to enrich people's lives. If you would like to be part of a group considering how this can happen, please contact Vanessa Peters.

Eastbourne Foodbank Finance Manager

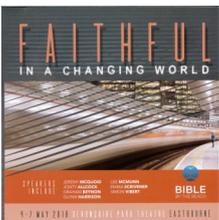


Eastbourne Foodbank is looking for the ideal person to take on the role of Finance Manager.

Please take a look at the role requirements on the Noticeboard in the Cloister.

If you are interested, and would like to know more, please contact Dennis Thompson on 01323 749329

'The Finance Manager is a hands-on role working alongside a part time volunteer finance assistant who undertakes the majority of accounts posting and bill payments.'



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.

Application forms are available in the Cloister or go online: www.biblebythebeach.org



Summer Fete 2018, Saturday 9 June, 12noon - 4pm

We're doing things a little different this year!

We shan't be asking for bric-a-brac or books but here's a list of things we'd love to receive instead....

- Unopened bottles for the bottle tombola stall
- Anything and everything **PURPLE** as long as it's either in very good condition or brand new - for our **PURPLE STALL!**
- Clothes in excellent condition for our Pre-Loved Clothes stall
- Unopened toiletries & 'smellies' gift sets
- Plants and plant pots
- Cakes - as always, for our popular cake stall (*nearer the time please*)

Please bring all donations to the church office, thank you.



Calling all volunteers - help needed!

We can only make this super event a success if you're willing and able to lend a hand. As usual we would love volunteers to help with various aspects, from setting up tables and chairs in the morning, to manning a stall or helping with Refreshments in the Jubilee Hall.

We especially need help in the children's area, supervising the bouncy castle and helping with some of the games.

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.

Thank you

