

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 - Every Sunday Evening

Join us every Sunday night from 6pm - 7:30 pm in The Lodge for fun, food, games, praise and worship. We aim to create a place where young people can come and experience love and acceptance in Jesus Christ.

For more information contact Kim at: kidswork@stjm.org.uk or Ben at: curate@stjm.org.uk

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Office opening hours: Monday to Friday 9.30am to 12.30pm

NEWS SHEET



This Sunday 17th February 2019

Third Sunday before Lent

8am Heritage Communion

Presiding Revd Giles Carpenter
& Preaching

Leading Revd Ben Sleep

Assisting: Richard Thompson
Epistle: Colossians 2: 20-3:1
Gospel: Matthew 5: 13-16

9.30am Contemporary Service

Leading Catherine Butcher
Preaching Revd Giles Carpenter

11-15am Classic Communion

Presiding Revd Giles Carpenter
& Preaching

Leading Revd Ben Sleep
Epistle: Colossians 2: 20- 3:1
Gospel: Matthew 5: 13-16

Hymns: 21, 13,541 & 684

6.00pm Streetwise Youth Group
in the Lodge

Next Sunday 24th February 2019

Second Sunday Before Lent

8.00am Heritage Communion

Leading Revd Jill Preece
& Presiding
Preaching Catherine Butcher
Assisting: Richard Wells

9.30am Contemporary Communion

Leading Revd Brian Richards
& Presiding
Preaching Catherine Butcher

11.15am Classic Communion

Leading Revd Brian Richards
& Presiding
Preaching Catherine Butcher

6.00pm Evensong

6.00pm Streetwise Youth Group
in the Lodge



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EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday 18 February

9.00am Morning Prayer
2.00pm Cameo

Tuesday 19 February

10.30am Movement to Music (Jubilee Hall)
2-15pm Holywell Home Group
2.45pm Prayer at the School in the Rainbow Room
7.30pm Alpha
7.30pm Kemp Home Group

Wednesday 20 February

9.30am Quiet Prayer (Chapel)
10-30am Parche @ Alma Lodge
7.30pm Harmonia Choir Practice (Church)

Thursday 21 February

11.00am Holy Communion (Chapel)
2.30pm Previous Maddock Home Group
6.30pm Living Faith Course (Jubilee Hall)
7.45pm Choir Practice

Friday 22 February

10.30am Coffee Pot +

Saturday 23 February

8.00am Men's Breakfast (Holywell Tea Chalet)

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6 Nations Rugby, Wales v England 23rd Feb.

This is likely to be the decisive match for England in the series. A group of us are gathering at The Ship Pub in Meads Street at 16.30 for a 16.45 kick-off to watch the game.

If you are interested please speak to Tony Mottram or Revd Ben Sleep about meeting up.

Sermons on Line

You can find the Sunday Sermons online on our website: a great way to keep up to date with the current messages.



Pastoral Care

If you know of someone needing a pastoral visit then please contact Jill Preece: jill@stjm.org.uk, phone: 01323 638020, or Nick Pendry: nick.pendry60@gmail.com, phone: 01323 737593.

Advance Notice

The memorial Service of Hilary Toben will take place in St John's Church on the 26th February at 11.30am.

The annual Church inventory is to be undertaken on Monday 18 February at 2pm. This legal requirement for the church is to record its material belongings.

Accordingly we would ask you to check and see if you have any Item that belongs to the church and return it by the above date or let the Churchwarden know it is in your possession. We are particularly keen to identify a number of the small black book copies of the BCP service

The next Men's Breakfast is on Saturday 23rd February at 8.00am at Holywell Tea Chalet when Peter Pickett will be sharing his Thought for the Day. If you are not one of those with a permanent tick against your name, please sign up on the list in the cloister. If after signing up for the breakfast, you find you are unable to make the event, please ring 749329 to cancel. The list will be removed on the Tuesday before the breakfast.

Sunday Club Team Members

We're still looking for new members to join our great kids' team. Would you like to be part of the Kids' or Youth Ministry Team?



Let me know if you're interested and what age group you'd like to be involved in (Rising Stars 0-5 year old olds; The Big God Space 5-11 year olds; Youth 12+).

You'll be invited to test the water over a few sessions without pressure to join. If you like what you see you'll join a rota with the opportunity to serve twice a month.

You'll receive encouragement, support and any training needed. Please prayerfully consider being part of this vital ministry in our church.

Thanks for your support, Kim. (Contact details on back page)

Paul reminds the church in Corinth (2 Corinthians 5:11-21) that as followers of Jesus we are all called to the **ministry of reconciliation**.

During Lent this year we will be exploring this theme of reconciliation together as part of our Sunday teaching. Using the Archbishop of Canterbury's Lent Book as a guide we will explore the biblical foundations for reconciliation as well as its impediments and its risks. We will discover together that at the heart of this ministry of reconciliation lies a "radical openness to others" that characterises the life and ministry of Jesus.

Copies of the book are available to buy now at the back of church.

Giles



Welcome to Newcomers

A very warm welcome from all of us here if you are new to St John's or just visiting. We hope you enjoy worshipping with our church family.

CONNECTIONS

If you are looking for a church and would like to find out more about us, our vicar Giles and his wife Rachel regularly host an informal 'Connexions' event 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. Dates of future events to be announced.

If you want to be kept in touch, please complete one of our Welcome cards available from one of our Welcome Team or at the back of the church. You can also register interest using the online keypad located at the Welcome Desk. You can also visit our website at stjm.org.uk.

Prayer Pointers

- For the Linking Lives Eastbourne scheme, and for more people to become Befrienders for those who are lonely or housebound.
- For all who are struggling with the demands of old age and illness.
- For those who are new, that they will settle in well and find their niche at St, John's.

Going Deeper Due to unforeseen circumstances, there will be no 'Going Deeper' Bible Study this month. This is very much regretted, but it is sincerely hoped that we shall be able to continue our studies in Colossians on Wednesday 20 March.

Details will be confirmed nearer the date.

Safeguarding

The safety and wellbeing of children and vulnerable adults is a priority for St John's Church. If you have any concerns about the safety of your children or a vulnerable member of the congregation please contact a member of the ministry team or talk to me, Jorj Kowszun. I am the Safeguarding Officer and you can contact me on 07803 174383 or email: jorj@cogency.info.

If you feel you need to contact someone outside the parish then the Diocesan Safeguarding Team can be contacted at Church House, Hove on 01273 421021.

Jorj Kowszun

IMPORTANT DATE FOR YOUR DIARY Lent Course 2019 starts Wednesday 13th March

In this Year of Vocation the Lent course, *Living Christ*, we encounter Christians across Sussex exploring what it means to live out their vocation to know, love and follow Jesus.

With video contributions from a farmer, an artist, a mental-health campaigner, a carer and many others, the course consists of five sessions exploring our life's work; family, friendship and community; a good childhood; health and vulnerability; and how we draw close to Christ at the end of our lives.

With a mixture of videos, prayers, Bible reading and discussion, the course is accessible for those exploring faith as well as offering opportunity for deeper reflection for those with a mature faith. It runs each **Wednesday Lunchtime** from **12noon to 1pm** starting **13th March**.

We look forward to welcoming you on our Lent journey together.

Your course leaders this year...

Giles and Brian



New Wine 2019

New Wine Summer Camps Celebrate their 30th Anniversary next year and we plan to be there as a Church for our fourth year running.

Why not join us for a fabulous week of worship, teaching and fun for all ages. We will be booking for Week One this year, on 27 July—2 August, and there are early bird discounts, so do be quick to get the best deals.

If you'd like to know more speak to Giles, Jill, Kim or Ben or go online to book at <https://www.new-wine.org/>

Friends are welcome.

Foodbank - urgent donations always 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 Meat
- Tinned fruit
- Tinned Rice pudding
- Biscuits
- Microwavable rice
- Tinned tomatoes
- Cereal



Donations are always gratefully received.