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Parish Calendar for May

Morning Prayer is said on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 8.45am

1	09.30 Toddler Group	14	14.00 Mother's Union
2	14.00 Tea and Chat 20.00 Reading Group	15	09.30 Toddler Group
5	Easter 3 08.00 Said Eucharist 09.45 Sung Eucharist With Little Fishes 11.30 11Up Group 12.30 Sunday Lunch Club	16	14.00 Tea and Chat
7	10.00 Holy Communion 10.30 MU Coffee Morning 13.00 Wordbox 14.15 Praytime 20.00 PCC Meeting	18	09.30 Church Cleaning
8	09.30 Toddler Group	19	Easter 5 08.00 Said Eucharist 09.45 Sung Eucharist With Little Fishes 11.30 Baptism
9	14.00 Tea and Chat	22	09.30 Toddler Group 09.30 MPS Ascension Day
11	08.30 Big Brekkie Church Hall	23	14.00 Tea and Chat
12	Easter 4 08.00 Said Eucharist 09.45 Sung Eucharist 11.30 Thirty Minutes	26	Easter 6 08.00 Said Eucharist 09.45 Sung Eucharist
13	20.00 Julian Group	29	09.30 Toddler Group
		30	Ascension Day 06.30 Sung Eucharist 14.00 Knitting and Crochet 14.00 Tea and Chat

Regular Services at St John's

Said Eucharist

8.00am Sunday

a simple celebration of Holy Communion;
about 40 minutes

Sung Eucharist

9.45am Sunday

a celebration of Holy Communion with music
and ceremony; about 75 minutes

first and third Sunday with **LITTLE FISHES**

third Sunday with Ministry for Wholeness

Thirty Minutes

11.30am second Sunday

a lively service for pre-school children;
about 30 minutes

Praytime

2.15pm first Tuesday

songs, prayers, Bible stories and cake
for pre-school children, finishes in time for the school-run

Midweek Eucharist

10.00am first Tuesday

a simple celebration of Holy Communion;
about 30 minutes

Morning Prayer

8.45am Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

(term time only)

a quiet time of prayer and readings; about 15 minutes

From the Ministry Team

What a joyful celebration of Easter it was here at St John's this year. It was the culmination of the 3 days, with Maundy Thursday and Good Friday, with the church looking bare, and colourless, only to be transformed For Easter Day.

On Easter day we began in darkness, with a hushed silence and much anticipation, and then the candles were lit and the lights came on and we could see the transformation that had taken place, with the flowers and the newly polished brass and the icons and the pictures back in their places, and above all the people, the children the babies, and even "soon to be born twins!" It was so good to see everyone there celebrating the Resurrection of our Lord.

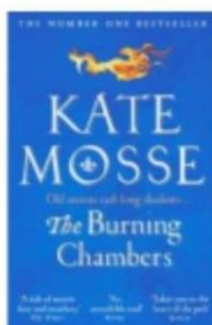
It is about transformation, change, new beginnings, and we are now looking forward to the interviews soon to be taking place for our next vicar. Please keep all of us in your prayers, and that the right person for St John's comes to us, to take us forward in our life here in the Parish of Old Malden.

St John's Reading Group May 2019

At our April meeting we discussed 'The Cut Out Girl: A Story of War and Family, Lost and Found' by Bart van Es and winner of the Costa 2018 award. This an extraordinary true story of a young Jewish girl, Lien, taken in by the author's grandparents and brought up as their own. Lien never knew her parents and discovered much later that they had been murdered in Auschwitz. Her life is a difficult one going from one safe house to another, suffering abuse and the feeling of not being wanted anywhere. We discovered many facts about life in occupied Holland and we were shocked to learn that many Dutch people informed on Jews for payment. This goes alongside the fact that the Dutch people were starving and desperate for food – especially in 1945 when Holland was still occupied despite the Liberation of some parts of Europe in 1944. It was a real journey of discovery as the author was able to visit the houses, addresses where Lien lived as he endeavoured to piece together her life. A fascinating read. 7/10

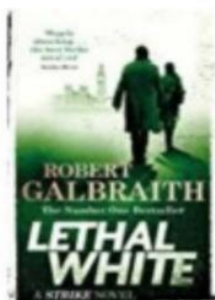
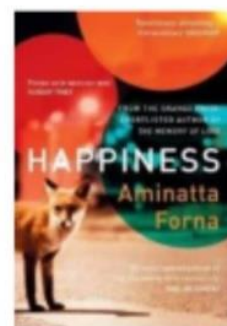


Our choices for the next few months are:



For May: Kate Mosse's *The Burning Chambers* – set in 16th century France. A tale of 'secrets, love and treachery' and the first of a new quartet on Religious Wars in France.

For June: *Happiness* by Aminatta Forna described as 'a book about humanity's glorious, irreducible mess; a book filled with grief, largesse and joy.'



As the latest Galbraith novel (*Cormoran Strike*) is now released in paperback, I daresay it will be a popular read over the next few weeks.

Our next meeting will be on Thursday 2nd May at 8.00pm in the Coffee Lounge at church. Happy Reading!

Marilyn Burkett



1st Old Malden (St John the Baptist) Scout Group needs YOU!



Both of our Cub Packs are in urgent need of leaders.

In order to maintain the success of the Packs we need at least one other adult to join each of them as a uniformed leader. If you're thinking that you don't have the necessary skills, then think again. You don't need to have any experience of Scouting, and **everyone** has something they can offer.

Please think seriously about how you can help, or if you know of any friends or family members who might be interested – they don't have to have a child in the Group.

Contact Alison & Louise on gsl@1omscouts.org.uk for more information.



Near the Church coffee lounge is this beautiful memorial to William Chetwynd-Stapylton, former Vicar of this parish, who died just over 100 years ago. The memorial was re-located when the Extension was built but is not far from his grave. Our thanks to Graham Burley for doing such a magnificent 'cleaning' as it was in a very sorry state.

William Chetwynd-Stapylton was a Fellow at Merton College, and when the vacancy at St John's came up, he offered to take on the benefice for two years. He

stayed for 44 years! Not only a great benefactor to the parish, he initiated the new building project to enlarge St John's and the new chancel and nave were consecrated in 1875.

After this, Holy Communion was celebrated weekly. By the end of the 19th century the population of the parish had increased from 320 in 1861 to nearly 700. William Chetwynd-Stapylton had witnessed great changes in the parish during his incumbency – after all, forty-four years is a long time.

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Easter at St John's



St John's celebrated Easter this year with beautiful yellow and white flowers, mirroring the superb spring weather we experienced. Thank you to all who helped make the church and the grounds look so beautiful.



Easter Garden - Created by Amy Chan with help from Alfie and Annie.

I wanted to create a scene of colour, light and hope. Colour is , for me something that brings happiness and joy and I wanted to reflect this in the Easter Garden this year. I hope it was enjoyed by all on Easter Sunday.

Amy Chan



St John's Sunday Lunch Club

Once a month, a group of volunteers host a lovely Sunday Lunch Club at St John's Church Hall . We had a lovely time in April, which was especially decorated for Easter. As always we are very grateful to our volunteers who cook and serve. It is always much appreciated.



Many Thanks

I would like to thank everyone in the congregation for their very generous gift and Easter egg. It was a lovely surprise and I deeply appreciate everyone's kindness and support. It is a real joy and privilege to be part of St Johns and help in the ministry team. I hope you had a restful Easter and wish you every Blessing as we all share together in the coming months. Anthony Pullen

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St John's Mothers' Union thanks the church for the support of their recent efforts.

On Mothering Sunday the retiring offering raised £173-27. We were delighted to forward this for the Make a Mother's Day Appeal. The money raised by this appeal supports mothers who are trying to do their best for their families in difficult circumstances. The Mothers' Union works with and for families within this diocese and around the world.

Thank you also to all who supported the Lent Lunches. Over the five Fridays we raised the record total of £507-25, a significant part of St John's response to the Bishop's Lent Appeal. The group of elderly women who made the soups and baked the cakes, generously supplying the ingredients, were delighted with the success of their effort, as well as with the happy social gatherings over lunch. It was good to welcome friends from St Philip's, the Malden Manor Community Church, and Wendy, one of Kingston's MU trustees, from Christ Church, East Sheen.

MU members try to support other activities of the church and they are grateful for the support they in turn receive from St John's people.

Pauline Armour and Faith Bowers.

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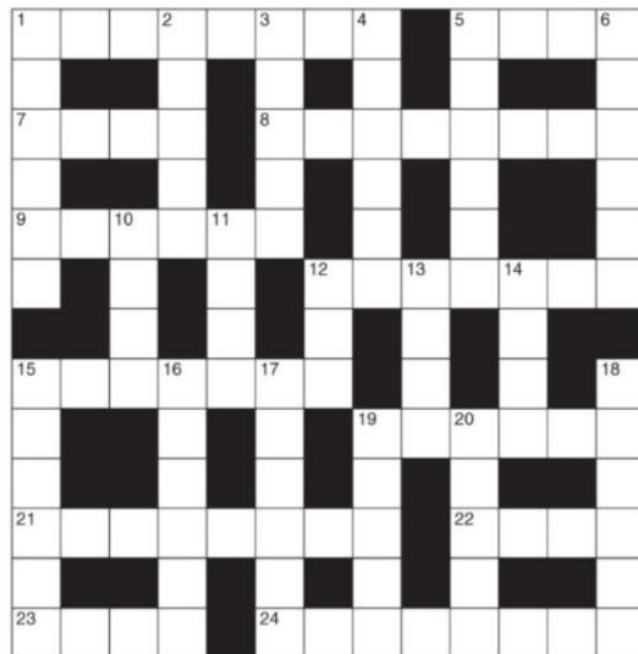
Around The World

ACROSS

1. US volcano,
Mount ... (2,6)
5. Supersonic planes
7. Taj Mahal city
8. Cambridge & Oxford
universities
9. Treeless Arctic zone
12. Coniferous tree
found in Europe
15. Vienna is there
19. Croatian capital
21. Peninsula in
southwest England
22. Manchurian river
23. Central attraction of
Piccadilly Circus
24. Region that includes
Japan, China and
Korea (4,4)

DOWN

1. Roughly built
settlements, ... towns
2. Large African antelope
3. Nasty disease named
after a river in the
Democratic Republic of
the Congo, ... virus
4. Underground
train system
5. City of northwest India
6. People from Stockholm
10. Scotland's monster
lake, Loch ...
11. German industrial
region
12. Washington-based
spy group (1,1,1)
13. Italy's Leaning
Tower of ...
14. Kuwaiti ruler



15. Native
American tribe
16. Sport played
at Wimbledon
17. Earth's glacial
period (3,3)
18. Portugal and
Spain
19. Bantu peoples
of Natal
20. West African
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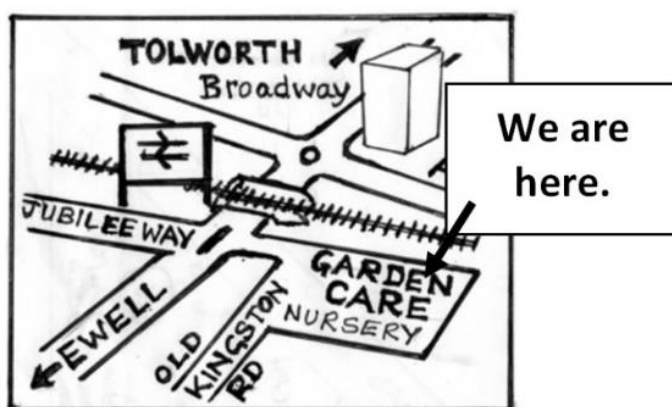
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