



WEEKLY NEWS

7th after Trinity, 31st July 2022

Worship

COLLECT: 6th after Trinity

Generous God, you give us gifts and make them grow: though our faith is small as a mustard seed, make it grow to your glory and the flourishing of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GOSPEL READING: Luke 12.13-21

PRAYERS FOR CHURCHES TOGETHER IN BROADSTONE

Living God, we pray for your church around the world and in this place. We long to see your kingdom come, and we ask that you use us to be your hands and feet and voice, wherever there is need or isolation or grief. We pray you will help us to be good stewards of your creation, good listeners where people are struggling, and good companions where people are searching for you. Lord Jesus, come into our world afresh and turn longing and loneliness into belonging and fellowship.

SICK LIST We pray for Robert, Bill, Dorothy, David, Roger, Robert, Veronica, Audrey (Bailey), Ann, Betty, Christopher, Pam



RIP Joan Viney, Lavinia Bunn, Philip Nash, Yvonne Revell, Irene Thompson

News and Notices

OFFICE WORKING HOURS The office is open from 10am-1pm every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and 10.30am – 1pm on Thursdays.

REV'D HELEN'S SABBATICAL - After a wonderful time of sabbatical, Rev'd Helen is very pleased to be back in Broadstone and looking forward to catching up with everyone at St John's. To help get 'back into the saddle' a little quicker, Helen will be working on Monday 1st August, and taking Friday 5th as her weekly day off instead. Many thanks once again to everyone who has contributed to the life of St John's over the last three months in Helen's absence and made for such a wonderful summer.

CHURCH AND COVID Despite the change in legal requirements, please do not come to church or church events if you are feeling unwell in any way; the early symptoms of Covid are similar to those of colds or other common illnesses. We are also encouraging masks be worn at services and events in order to protect and reassure those who are still feeling anxious about coming to church. Masks **must be worn in the parish hall kitchen** until our risk assessment changes. Thank you so much for continuing to keep each other safe. *Rev Lyndon*

ACCESS TO CHURCH Between regular meetings and NorthReach work, the church building is in frequent use. If you need access to church outside regular service times, **you must book with the office first**. If you are working alone in the building, please make sure you have a mobile phone with you, especially if you lock yourself in to prevent others disturbing you. Please **do not lock the main doors on Wednesdays or Sundays**, when the porch is left open for the Food Bank. Thanks for bearing with us during the build! *Revd Helen and Rev Lyndon*

CAR PARKING REMINDER With the car park in constant use at present, please only park there when on official business, that is for work, or to attend a service or a meeting. Please do not use the Vicarage drive for casual parking if the car park is busy. Thank you for your help with this.

UKRAINE REFUGEE FAMILY - Is any one interested in hosting a family from Ukraine? Anna (33 years old) and her daughter aged 10 and son aged 6 from Irpin, Ukraine are seeking a place to stay in Broadstone to be near their best friends who are presently living with a family here. Many people want to help but don't always know how to link up with a family. If you or anyone you know is interested we can share our experience with you and help with obtaining visas and all the other formal aspects of enabling the family to get established. There is also helpful information on the Facebook group, 'Dorset for Ukraine' and on bcpcouncil.gov.uk/helpforukraine . If you are interested please contact the parish office or Rosemary Hart on 07769 656394.

SLEEPING BAGS WANTED - Routes to Roots badly need sleeping bags for the clients who have no shelter at night. If you have any spare sleeping bags that are clean and in good condition, please deliver them to the Genesis Centre, Hill Street, BN15 1NR, or deliver them to St John's parish office. *Rev Lyndon*

CTiB REFUGEE HOUSE - In partnership with Churches Together in Broadstone, the Broadstone Methodist Church are hoping to turn a property on York Road into a house for a refugee family. As part of the application to make this change, CTiB are looking for volunteers who might be happy to help befriend and welcome any refugees who are housed here. Volunteers would need to be DBS checked, and would receive some training, as well as ongoing support from CTiB. If you would be interested in volunteering, or if you would simply like to find out more information about this exciting project, please contact *Rev Lyndon*.

NORTHEACH LOANS - Earlier in the year, Revd Helen invited people to consider supporting NorthReach by offering St John's an interest-free loan. She noted that any such loan would be followed-up with a repayment schedule, showing how church would be able to return the loan in due course. Many thanks to all who have already responded to this invitation. If you would like to find out more about this way of supporting NorthReach, **please contact Nick Heckford or Revd Helen**, who would be happy to answer any questions. *Rev Lyndon*

BLACK TOP FOUND - A long sleeved, black t-shirt has been found in the Church. If it belongs to you, please see Caroline in the office to reclaim it back.

EVENTS COMMITTEE - Social events are a major part of the life at St. John's, providing much needed opportunities to have fun together as well as helping to raise funds. After a brilliant and busy summer, we are looking for fresh volunteers to join the Events Committee and help us run all the exciting events coming up over autumn. We also need someone to take the minutes at our committee meetings. **ARE YOU ABLE TO HELP?** If so, please contact **Roger Leach** in church, by phone on 01202 885866, or email at r.leach@tiscali.co.uk. Many thanks!

FIRST AIDERS – We are in the process of updating our first aid lists. If you are a qualified first aider and would like to be added to our list, or if you would like to attend a training day to become one, please contact our Health & Safety Officer, Eric Whapples on whapples.ej@gmail.com Many thanks!

BRING & SHARE LUNCH – Sunday 7th August, 11.30am. Please join us in saying goodbye to Rev Lyndon and thank him for his time with us. We would appreciate if you could bring a plate of finger food to share **that has the ingredients labelled**. Many thanks.

PARISH BBQ - Sunday 14th August - Tickets are now on sale for the annual Summer BBQ, another wonderful chance to get together and share some fellowship, hopefully in the sunshine this year! Tickets will be available after church on Sundays at £7 each; there are meat, vegetarian and gluten-free options. Entry to the BBQ will be by ticket only, so be sure to buy yours beforehand! *Rev Lyndon*

LYNDON'S LICENSING SERVICE – Wednesday 28th September, 6pm. If you would like to come along to see Rev Lyndon licensed into his new role at Merton College, Oxford, please let Caroline know in the office by **Sunday 7th August** (even if you will be making your own way there). Coach details to follow. There will be cake and bubbly!

CARE HOME VISITS:

Park Lodge – Tuesday 2nd August & Tuesday 6th September at 10.30am

Home Corfe – Thursday 4th August & Thursday 1st September at 11.30am

Two Cedars – Thursday 18th August & Thursday 15th September at 11.30am

Southmead – Friday 19th August & Friday 16th September at 11.30am

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sunday 7th August, 11.30am – Bring & Share lunch for Rev Lyndon

Sunday 14th August - St John's Parish BBQ

Sunday 21st August, 2.30-4.30pm - Newcomers' Party at St John's Vicarage. If you consider yourself new at St John's, or if you just want to get to know people better, put this date in your diary. Invitations will follow in due course.

Wednesday 28th September, 6pm - Rev Lyndon's Licensing Service at Merton College, Oxford (transport details to follow).

If you would like to add any relevant events to this list, please contact the office or Rev Helen.

POOLE FOOD BANK – continues as usual with the drop off in the porch on Wed and Sun afternoons. There is a particular need for UHT milk at the moment, along with the regular items:

UHT milk (NOT skimmed)

Pasta sauces

Small jars of coffee

Tinned meat products

Toilet rolls

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