



# WEEKLY NEWS

10<sup>th</sup> after Trinity, 4<sup>th</sup> August 2024

## Worship

### COLLECT: 10<sup>th</sup> after Trinity

Lord of heaven and earth, as Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent in prayer, give us patience and courage never to lose hope, but always to bring our prayers before you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**OLD TESTAMENT:** Exodus 16.2- 4, 9-15

**PSALM:** Psalm 78.23- 29

**NEW TESTAMENT:** Ephesians 4.1- 16

**GOSPEL READING:** John 6.24- 35

### PRAYERS FOR CHURCHES TOGETHER IN BROADSTONE

We pray for our summer visitors to Dorset, that they might find open doors and warm hearts in our local churches. We pray for all who go on holiday at this time, that they return safe, rested and refreshed. We pray for those who cannot afford a holiday away, and ask for special rest and recuperation for them.

**SICK LIST** We pray for Ann S-N, Pam T, Denise M, Louise H, Anne W, Debbie C, Vitalia W, Paul S, Margaret S, Lyn T



**RIP** Wiebke Smith

**YEAR'S MIND** Pray for Peggy Parker, Jean Caley, Anthony Wedlake & Mary Smith, whose year's mind falls at this time.

## News and Notices

**AMENDED OFFICE OPENING HOURS** The office is open from 9.30am every Monday, Tuesday and Friday, 10am on Wednesdays and 10.30am on Thursdays. It closes at 1pm every day. **Please note, the office is closed next week and reopens 9.30am Mon 12<sup>th</sup> Aug.**

**NEW CHURCH OPENING NEXT WEEK** The Church will be open from 10am – 1pm on Wed 7<sup>th</sup> & Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> August. On Mon, Tues & Wed, the Church will be closed.

**NEW VICAR'S RETREAT** Revd Helen will be taking the remaining days of her retreat week next week, plus a half week of leave. She will return to work on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> August. There will be no Weekly News sent next week and no morning or evening prayer offered online, but Thursday morning prayer at 8.45am will be led by Eric in church.

**NEW ASSISTANT SACRISTAN** We are very grateful to Rosemary Mortimer who served in the role of Assistant Sacristan over the last few years, an essential 'behind the scenes' role. Rosemary did much for the church in this respect, helping to enable the smooth running of our Eucharistic services, preparing communion trays and washing them up. She recently stood down from this role, and I am glad to let you know Eric Whapples has been appointed to this role, which supports the vicar, Head Sacristan and the church community.

**NEW THE FAIRTRADE STALL** will be back to its usual day (2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in the month) and will be available on 11<sup>th</sup> August.

**NEW CRAFT & CHAT** Cancelled for August, back in September!

**Teaching and Learning Opportunities and Spiritual Nurture at St John's** At the APCM Revd Helen said one of our three main focuses for life at St John's this year was discipleship and a chance to develop both our understanding and our practice of our Christian faith. The notices below launch this new programme of opportunities to explore and engage in our faith, and give time to nurturing what we believe, why we believe it and how it makes a difference in our lives.

**Thursday Morning Prayer in Church 8.45am** Although we will *continue* to offer morning prayer on Wednesdays online and evening prayer on Fridays online, Revd Helen will also be relaunching Morning Prayer said in church (in the Lady Chapel) on Thursday mornings at 8.45am. Everyone is welcome to join her. This 20 - 25 minute prayer time in our beautiful church can be such a lovely way to start the day together. Please note church will only be unlocked at 8.40am - if you arrive early, do just wait for me to come along. If there are any occasions it has to be cancelled due to my availability, I will put a note in the weekly news. Thank you.

**Quiet Day at St John's, led by Revd Helen Bailey, Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> Sept.** Revd Helen will be leading us in a Quiet Day held in church, NorthReach annexe and the Parish Hall, as well as our church grounds. There will be some led sessions, but lots of quiet space and own time to read, pray, think, do a craft. Details of the day and timings / theme still to be announced, but is likely to start from around 9.30am and likely to finish around 3 - 3.30pm. You can come for some or all of the day. Sign up sheets and further details will emerge soon, but for now, do put the date in your diary.

**House Group at St John's** Following on from the Quiet Day which will launch our new programme of teaching and learning opportunities, Paul Winsworth and Ken Pearce will be leading a new housegroup. This will take place in the NorthReach annexe (or sometimes in church) on a fortnightly basis, start date **Wed 18th September 7.30pm**. Please sign up on the sheet at the back of church and we will contact you about purchasing the Study Guide from us at a considerable discount (new copy £3.50, second-hand copy £3). We have 12 copies in to sell (9 new, 3 second-hand).

**Getting to Grips with the Gospels** In the autumn Revd Helen will launch a monthly session looking at our four Gospels. We know they are the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, but who wrote them, who did they write them for? How did they spread? How did they become part of our canon we call the New Testament? What was their context of the day? Together we will explore all this, plus what life was like in 1st century Palestine, which will help to make sense of what we hear and read in church on Sundays week by week. We will explore how we might helpfully approach scripture, and what we do with those 'difficult bits' we come across! These will take place on **the second Saturday of the month, 9.45am (coffee), 10am start until 11am**. There is no meeting in December however! Dates are: **Saturday 12th October, Sat 9th November. Providing there is take-up for this, they will continue with Sat 11th January, Sat 8th Feb, Sat 8th March, Sat 12th April, Sat 3rd May (1 week earlier than usual), no meetings in June or July.**

**All are welcome!**

**CHURCH TIDY-UP** We are having a clergy / choir vestry tidy-up Sat 17th August 9.30am - 11.30am. All welcome to join us as we clear the last of the items temporarily stored in these vestries during the building programme. If anyone is able to help, just come along, even if just for an hour. It is helpful if you let me know you are coming! Thanks, *Revd Helen*

**AMENDED ST JOHN'S SUMMER CREAM TEA SUNDAY 18<sup>th</sup> AUGUST, 3pm – 4.30pm** Tickets will be available on Sundays and at the Wednesday service, cost £5. Alternatively, you can purchase tickets on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> August from the office. Ticket includes - sweet, savoury or gluten free option of scone + accompaniments and a slice of cake; with tea / coffee.

**REMEDY OAK 2024/25!** They will now not take bookings for functions like ours in the summer months as they want to keep all weekends for members. Our dates are as follows: Christmas lunch 2024 - 24th November & Spring/ summer 2025 - 27th April. Please keep these dates in your diary. *Phyl*

**NEW ORGANIST** Welcome to Peter Hoar as he begins his post as organist at St John's this weekend. We look forward to his support in the worship and musical life of our church.

**NEW SILVER ECO CHURCH AWARD!** St John's Church has now achieved its Silver Eco Church Award from A Rocha UK! This is in recognition of our efforts to care for God's earth in each of the following areas: Worship and Teaching; Management of Buildings and Land; Community and Global Engagement; Lifestyle. As you can see from that list, this has involved huge efforts in many areas of our church work and life and from everyone. Thank you especially to Reverend Helen, the Churchwardens (past and present), PCC and everybody who works in any area of St John's because you are all part of this success. Congratulations! With love from the Eco Gang.

**AMENDED VERGERS NEEDED** The vicar still needs extra people to be a verger at funerals and weddings at St John's. It is not so different from a sidesperson's duties, though there are a few things to learn. There are always two vergers on at every funeral or wedding, so you won't be alone! If interested, have a word with Revd Helen who can talk you through what the role involves. It is impossible to take funerals and weddings without this support!

**GARDENING GROUP** We are looking to re-start the gardening group, to look after the Church grounds, after the existing gardening group, which has worked so hard over the years, has been looking for a way forward from here. If you are interested in joining, or were a member of the gardening group and interested in continuing in some way, please contact Ken Pearce or the office. If you have any gardening tools and/or a lawnmower that you would be happy to donate to the Church, please let Ken know or bring them to the office.

**ACTS 435** is a Christian Charity that seeks to enable Acts 4 verse 35 'and bring the money to the apostles to give to those in need.' Donated money can only be accessed through advocates connected with a church but is there to help anybody in need. Advocates post situations on the Acts435 website and within two weeks the request is met and given to the person who is going through a bad patch. At the moment we are enabling someone on universal credit to catch up on his bills. If you would like to help this charity, please go on line to [acts435.org.uk](http://acts435.org.uk) If you know of someone who needs help, please get in touch with me [janetgreen34@hotmail.com](mailto:janetgreen34@hotmail.com). Many thanks, Janet Green ( Acts435 Advocate)

**RAISE MONEY FOR ST JOHNS WITH TRUST 130** Ecclesiastical are running a simple promotion to raise funds for Churches. For every new home insurance policy taken out with Ecclesiastical, they'll donate £130 to an Anglican church/cathedral of the policy holder's choice. For info, contact Caroline in the office or call Ecclesiastical on **0800 7830 130**.

**AMENDED CORFE MULLEN FOOD BANKS** Food donations can be left in the Church porch every weekday morning 10am-1pm, Sundays 12noon-4.30pm. All donations given to Corfe Mullen foodbank run by St. Nicholas's Church: they provide food for individuals & families local to Broadstone, and issue vouchers to all Broadstone / Hillbourne Schools. **They are in short supply of rice pudding, custard, ready meals, cook in sauces, baked beans, shower gel, shampoo & toothpaste. Thank you!** If you wish to make a cash donation, visit their website [parishofcorfemullen.church/foodbank](http://parishofcorfemullen.church/foodbank) or contact Sheila & Ken.

**HOLY GROUNDS COFFEE MORNING** Free tea & coffee every Thursday morning, from 10am – 12noon. Come and enjoy a drink and a chat with old friends and new.

**CAR PARKING** Please only park for services, to visit the parish office or for meetings.

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Fri 2nd Aug	2.30pm Children's workers meeting at the vicarage
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> -Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> Aug	OFFICE CLOSED
Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup> Aug	10am – 12 noon Holy Grounds Coffee Morning
Thurs 15 <sup>th</sup> Aug	10am – 12 noon Holy Grounds Coffee Morning
Fri 16th Aug	2.30pm LPA meeting at the Vicarage
Sat 17 <sup>th</sup> Aug	9.30am – 11.30am Church Tidy Up
Sun 18 <sup>th</sup> Aug	3pm – 4.30pm St John's Summer Cream Tea
Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> -Wed 21 <sup>st</sup> Aug	OFFICE CLOSED
Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup> Aug	10am – 12 noon Holy Grounds Coffee Morning
Sat 24 <sup>th</sup> Aug	11am – 1pm Muddy Church & Baptism Teddy Bears' Picnic
Sun 25 <sup>th</sup> Aug	12 noon Baptism
Mon 26 <sup>th</sup> Aug	OFFICE CLOSED

### **FURTHER AFIELD**

**DONATIONS FOR ASYLUM SEEKERS** We are appealing for good quality **sandals & trainers** (adult size 6–11). For information call Judith 01202 460162 Mob 07840490525 or drop in donations to Caroline in the Parish Office. *Many thanks.*

**CHITTER CHATTER CLUB** Every Wednesday, 2.30pm – 4pm at Cafe Gardenia.

**TUESDAY CLUB AT BROADSTONE UNITED REFORMED CHURCH** We are open 10.30 am till 2pm. Please contact Ann on 01202 849136 for more information.

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