Worthing Food Foundation Christmas Donations...

The Food Foundation are launching a Christmas Countdown, collecting different items each week to fill stockings and food parcels for delivery to local families in December, Visit https://www.facebook.com/ WorthingFoodFoundation/.

to find out what is being collected each week. You can take your donations to the Baptist Church in Pendine Avenue. If you are unable to give items but would like to help, you can donate to their Christmas appeal at the same Facebook address.

Faith in Sussex

The Diocesan magazine is now available. You will find it packed as always with news, views, features, and pictures - sharing YOUR stories from around the diocese and the wider Church. Its pages aim to serve the goal of bringing us together as a diocesan family around a commitment to mission and growth. Read it online here: www.chichester.anglican.org/faith-insussex/

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St George's PEWS NEWS

www.stgeorgesworthing.org.uk

Sunday 8th November 2020 Remembrance Sunday Mark 2:18 - 3:6

Rev John Brook writes...

Psalm 46 "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble... He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the chariots with fire."

Remembrance Sunday

Our pre-recorded service for Sunday will be available on YouTube on Sunday morning – follow the link from the church website, or search for the "St George's Church Worthing" channel on youtube.com to subscribe and be ready ahead of time. We hope to be able give you a time to press play on the video so that you can observe the two minute silence within the video at exactly 11am.

Lockdown II

This lockdown sprang up quickly. We will not be meeting at church until 6 December. This is obviously a disappointment, but the act of giving up freedoms that are rightfully ours for the benefit of others is the call of every Christian as we follow the Lord Jesus (Mark 8:34). It is our privilege to love, in Jesus' name, those we will never meet by denying ourselves in this way. Entered into in this spirit, lockdown can be a positive thing.

Love One Another

Lockdown is, however, being enforced by law, it is not optional, and you may be finding things very hard right now, and feeling unable to manage. Please, do be in touch with your home group, or the church office, or myself if you need help. We are brothers and sisters in Christ, given by God to love and encourage one another!

Things change

This lockdown is different to the spring one, and guidance is still emerging about additional permitted activities. The detail is quite complex, but we are hopeful that we can maintain some activities, particularly those involving young children and families.

Please do be praying for one another, for wise decisions about what can happen at church, and most of all for God's work of building his kingdom to be continuing at this time. "Your kingdom come, your will be done."

John

Prayer Requests

Members and friends of the fellowship in need of our prayers this week:

Cora Beard; Jane Cowley; Margaret Harris-Ross; Arthur & Dot Martin; June Elphick



PCC Report

Following the Annual Church Meeting last month the PCC met earlier this week to appoint new Statutory Officers, as follows:

Kathryn Hughes-Burton & Sue Foster were co-opted to the PCC

Chris Attwood & Jenni Manville were appointed Deputy Wardens to Ron & Keith **Chris Attwood** was appointed Lay Chair to the PCC in the event that Rev John Brook was unable to attend any planned meeting

Keith Calver was appointed as PCC Secretary and also appointed as Minute Secretary at the meetings

Laura Preston was appointed as Treasurer

Helen Attwood was appointed Electoral Roll Officer

Margaret Calver was appointed as Safeguarding Officer

In addition the PCC elect a Standing Committee to manage any business required outside of a regular meeting – Rev John Brook, Laura Preston, Jan Holden, Ron Skipp & Keith Calver

Alongside the above Officers, St George's also has a number of Groups that meet for the benefit of the Church: looking after the Fabric of the Church and Church Hall; the Finances and monies received and spent; looking for and working with Missionary Societies as part of the regular Missionary visits to St George's; and the Youth work that is dealt with at St George's, both with the children in the Church and in local schools. Many of the PCC members are involved with these groups, but if anyone in the congregation would like to know more and possibly get involved too, please let Rev Brook or either of the Wardens (Ron or Keith) know and they can put you in touch with those currently working in the groups to provide you with further information.

Church Directory

Bob Jones is usefully using this lockdown to prepare the new edition of our Church Directory. If any of your contact details have changed recently (address, phone number or email address) and you wish to be included in the directory please fill in a new GDPR form and return it to the office as soon as possible. The forms are available by contacting the Church Office or downloading from the web site at https://www.stgeorgesworthing.org.uk/privacy-notices/

Closing date for receiving amendments is noon on Friday 20th November.

If you would like to contribute to the work of St George's here are the bank details:

Acct Name: St Georges PCC Worthing

Acct Number: 00020048 Sort Code: 40-52-40

If you are a UK Taxpayer, please ensure you let the office know so that we can claim 25% extra on your gift.

We are grateful for all gifts given towards the ministry, buildings, repairs and other expenses at St George's. Please put your name as a reference so that we can send an acknowledgement to you.



If you have a Smartphone you can scan this QR code to make a donation, and for more details, and other methods, please see https://www.stgeorgesworthing.org.uk/giving/



Messy Church - in a bag!

Tuesday 10th November 3.30 - 4.30pm

St George's Church Car Park.

'Advent - the Preparation for the Celebration!'

Come along to collect your bag of Messy Church activities on your daily walk.

All guidelines will be adhered to for your safety.

Kathryn has resumed her brilliant @Home activities for Young Followers and Toddlers for this latest lockdown. Visit

https://www.stgeorgesworthing.org.uk/children-young-people/ to find out more.

Christmas 2020

Christmas at St George's this year needs to look a little different to how things have been done in the past...but there are plans a-foot! Watch this space for more details as we get them for what will be a memorable celebration of the birth of our Lord and Saviour.



Digital Home Group?

With current restrictions on meetings at the moment, we are reviewing Home Groups. Would you be interested in joining a digital home group on Zoom? To find out more, please contact Charles Randall (contact details available in the church directory) or the church office, office@stgeorgesworthing.org.uk, and we will get back to you.