



St. John's, Walton

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Notice Sheet

January 2022

Welcome to St. John's Church, especially if you are a visitor or new to our church.

Notices

Sunday Services

All Sunday Services will be conducted in church but also streamed on Facebook Live and available via the website

2 nd January	
8.00am Holy Communion	Romans 4:8-13 Luke 2:15-21
9.30am Morning Worship	Isaiah 60:1-6 Matthew 2:1-12
9 th January	
9.30am Holy Communion	Acts 8:14-17 Luke 3:15-17 & 21-22
16 th January	
8.00am Holy Communion	Romans 12:6-16a John 2:1-11
9.30am Morning Worship	1 Corinthians 12:1-11 John 2:1-11
23 rd January	
9.30am Holy Communion	1 Corinthians 12:12-31a Luke 4:14-21
30 th January	
9.30am Morning Worship	1 Corinthians 13:1-13 Luke 2:22-40

Weekday Services

Morning Prayer via Zoom	9am on Wednesday
Morning Worship in church	10am on Wednesday
Night Prayer via Zoom	7.30pm Monday & Wednesday

1st Sunday in February

Bishop Sam Corley will be joining us for the morning service on Sunday 6th February 2022 at 9.30am. We look forward to welcoming him to St John's.



St John's during the Covid-19 outbreak

Following the Government's recent changes in Covid regulations, please note that **face coverings are now required to be worn in church by everyone over 11 years of age, including whilst singing. The only exemptions are those who have a medical exemption or for whom it will cause severe distress and those who are at the front of church leading, reading or praying as part of the service.** You may remove your face covering when drinking or eating but please keep your face covering on whilst collecting your coffee and only remove once seated, thank you. There remains space to social distance in the church building & you may use the Government Covid app to 'check into the venue' or sign in on the sheet as you enter. We will be continuing to live stream the 9.30am Sunday service; Night Prayer on Monday & Wednesday and Wednesday Morning Prayer services will also continue to take place Zoom. For further details or information, especially if you want to join us on Zoom, please contact Revd Anita (01925 262939; anitaraggett@stjohnschurchwalton.org.uk).

Please weigh up your own risk and make your own decisions. **Please do not enter if you have any symptoms of the virus.**

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2022

This year's Week of Prayer for Christian Unity will run from Tues 18th – Tues 25th January 2022. The theme is '**We Saw His Star in the East...**' More information & resources available at: <https://ctbi.org.uk/resources-for-week-of-prayer-for-christian-unity-2022/>

Living in love and faith

You are invited to a 'Living in Love and Faith' course at St. Thomas' Stockton Heath in January and February 2022, run jointly by the parishes of St. John's Walton, Latchford St. James and Christ Church, St. Thomas', and St. Mary Magdalene's. For more information, please see the flyer available in church or via



email. If you intend to join the course, it would be helpful if you could email Revd Anita to let her know (anitaraggett138@gmail.com).



You can see the course materials and content by creating a free login at: <https://lflf.churchofengland.org/>

Please note the Tuesday sessions are now starting a week later, on 18th January for 5 weeks.

January Meetings & Events at St John's

Tuesday 4th	1.30pm: Knit and Natter (CCH)
Monday 10th	7.30pm: PCC meeting (see agenda for details)
Thursday 13th	12noon: Living in Love & Faith Session 1 (St Thomas')
Tuesday 18th	1.30pm: Knit and Natter (CCH) 1.30pm: Social Committee 7.30pm: Living in Love & Faith Session 1 (St Thomas')
Thursday 20th	12noon: Living in Love & Faith Session 2 (St Thomas')
Tuesday 25th	7.30pm: Living in Love & Faith Session 2 (St Thomas')
Thursday 27th	12noon: Living in Love & Faith Session 3 (St Thomas')
Tuesday 1st Feb	7.30pm: Living in Love & Faith Session 3 (St Thomas')

Prayers

The Second Sunday of Christmas (2nd January)

God our Father, in love you sent your Son that the world may have life: lead us to seek him among the outcast and to find him in those in need, for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

The Epiphany (6th January)

Creator of the heavens, who led the Magi by a star to worship the Christ-child: guide and sustain us, that we may find our journey's end in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Baptism of Christ: The First Sunday of Epiphany (9th January)

Heavenly Father, at the Jordan you revealed Jesus as your Son: may we recognize him as our Lord and know ourselves to be your beloved children; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

The Second Sunday of Epiphany (16th January)

Eternal Lord, our beginning and our end: bring us with the whole creation to your glory, hidden through past ages and made known in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Third Sunday of Epiphany (23rd January)

God of all mercy, your Son proclaimed good news to the poor, release to the captives, and freedom to the oppressed: anoint us with your Holy Spirit and set all your people free to praise you in Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Fourth Sunday of Epiphany (30th January)

God of heaven, you send the gospel to the ends of the earth and your messengers to every nation: send your Holy Spirit to transform us by the good news of everlasting life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The St John's Prayer Chain

As part of our Pastoral Ministry at St John's various church members form our Prayer Chain. They pray daily for those in need.

If you would like prayers to be offered on behalf of yourself or someone for whom you have a particular concern at this time, then we would be pleased to do so. We normally include a request daily for two weeks.

To arrange your request please contact one of the following people:

Rev Anita Raggett (Vicar)
on 01925 262939

Stephen Clague (Pastoral Worker)
on 01928 719696

Ian Jerrard-Dinn (Reader Emeritus)
on 01925 265557



Alternatively, you can fill out a label & pin it to the prayer board in the porch.

Those we have been asked to pray for

Those who are sick and/or currently especially vulnerable:

Carol Ann	Jo	Joe
Joyce	Luke	Maureen
Richard	Sheila	Stephen
Sylvia	Tim	Tony

Please also continue to pray for:

Those working in the NHS and Social Care
Those who are bereaved

A Prayer for Unity During the Season of Epiphany

Gracious God:

To all dreaming of a better world, give courage;
To all dreaming of an end to violence, give peace;
To all dreaming of freedom, give patience;
To all guided by the star of compassion, give resources;
To all guided by the fear of loss, give trust;
To all guided by the need to be busy, give rest;
To all led by the need to be powerful, give humility;
To all led by the longing to draw closer to you,
give encouragement;
To all led to your table, give yourself.
To all people, and to all creation, give your love.
Amen.



From Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2022 All Age Resources



A free phone line of hymns,
reflections and prayers



CONNECTIONS

Bible Verse for 2022

Fixing our eyes on Jesus, the
pioneer and perfecter of faith.

Hebrews 12:2

