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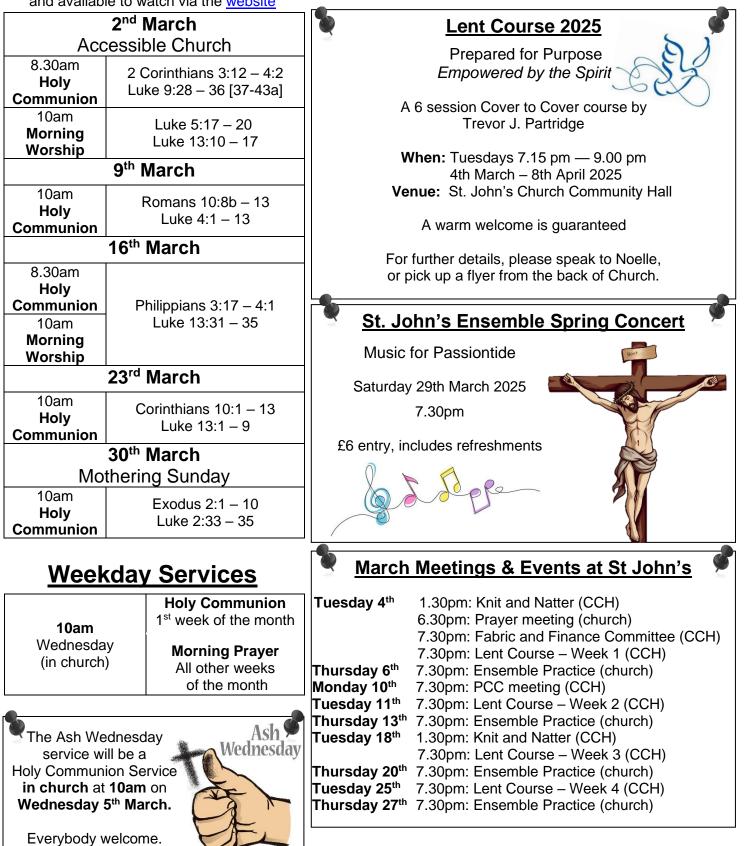
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# **Notice Sheet**

## March 2025

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

## **Notices**



## **Prayers**

#### The Sunday next before Lent (2<sup>nd</sup> March)

Holy God, you know the disorder of our sinful lives: set straight our crooked hearts, and bend our wills to love your goodness and your glory in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Ash Wednesday (5th March)

Holy God, our lives are laid open before you: rescue us from the chaos of sin and through the death of your Son bring us healing and make us whole in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### The First Sunday of Lent (9th March)

Heavenly Father, your Son battled with the powers of darkness, and grew closer to you in the desert: help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer that we may witness to your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### The Second Sunday of Lent (16th March)

Almighty God, by the prayer and discipline of Lent may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings, and by following in his Way come to share in his glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### The Third Sunday of Lent (23rd March)

Eternal God, give us insight to discern your will for us, to give up what harms us, and to seek the perfection we are promised in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Mothering Sunday (30th March)

God of love, passionate and strong, tender and careful: watch over us and hold us all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Those we have been asked to pray for

Ester Lucy Jim Luke

## 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:

Gill Povey-Robins (Pastoral Worker) on 07970 983 308

lan Jerrard-Dinn (Lay Reader) on 01925 265557

Keith Fletcher (Lay Reader) on 07359 445 564

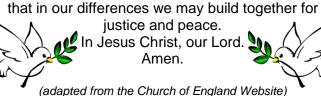
Alternatively, you can fill out a label & pin it to the prayer board in the porch.

## A Prayer for Peace

O God of all hope and peace, we bring to you the needs of our broken and hurting world.

Our hearts are breaking with images of lives lost and torn apart by grief in Israel, Palestine, Ukraine

and so many other places around the globe. We pray for an end to violence and warfare so that the challenging work of rebuilding may begin. Help us, O Lord, to affirm our common humanity so



## A prayer for a time of vacancy

God our Father You have welcomed each one of us in Jesus and called us to be His Body in this place;

Send us your Holy Spirit, at this time of uncertainty and change, to fill us with vision, energy, and faithfulness in prayer, that we may be true to our calling to bring new life to our community;

And guide with your heavenly wisdom those who are to choose a new Incumbent for this parish, that the one who we receive may be a wise and gentle shepherd of your people: ready to serve us with joy, to build us up in faith, and to lead us by example in loving obedience to your son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

(From 'Managing a Vacancy and Appointing a New Priest', Diocese of Bath & Wells)

## A Prayer for Lent

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(From the Church of England Website)

## Prayer Group

Members of St John's meet on the 1st Tuesday evening of the month at 6.30pm in the lady chapel at Church for prayer. The Lady Chapel just to the left of the pulpit as you come down the aisle.



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Linda

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