

# **Notice Sheet**

# May 2025

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

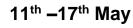
# **Sunday Services**

10am services streamed on YouTube and available to watch via the website

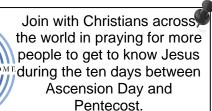
4 <sup>th</sup> May		
8.30am Holy Communion	Acts 9: 1 – 6 [7 – 20] John 21: 1 – 19	
Morning Worship		
11 <sup>th</sup> May		
10am Holy Communion	Acts 9: 36 – 43 John 10: 22 – 30	
18 <sup>th</sup> May		
8.30am Holy Communion	Acts 11: 1 – 18	
10am Morning Worship	John 13: 31 – 35	
25 <sup>th</sup> May		
10am Holy Communion	Acts 16: 9 – 15 John 14: 23 – 29	

# **Weekday Services**

<b>10am</b> Wednesday (in church)	Holy Communion  1st week of the month
	Morning Prayer All other weeks of the month



Find out more, get involved and/or donate at: christian-aid-week

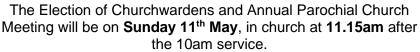


More details, videos, podcasts 29th May to and prayer aids are available

8th June at: thykingdomcome.global

# **Notices**

#### **APCM 2025**



Nominations for PCC members, and a new treasurer, are now being taken. Please be thinking and praying about whether these are roles you could undertake. If you feel you could, please speak to one of our church wardens - Chris Lloyd or Tony Robins.

Nomination forms are available in church - all nominations need to be in before the meeting on 11th May.

**Please note:** To confirm that they are eligible to act as a charity trustee, all newly elected PCC members are required to sign a declaration confirming their eligibility to hold office as a charity trustee (i.e., non-disqualification under charity law) and will be asked to sign a Fit and Proper Person declaration. Also, PCC members will need to be DBS checked and to undertake online safeguarding training.

## **Tuesday Group Bible Study**

Why God accepts us

A 12-week Lifebuilder course based on the book of Galatians. We plan to complete the first 6 weeks of this May – July, have a summer break, and complete sessions 7-12 in the autumn.

When: Tuesdays 7.15 pm — 9.00 pm

27th May - 1st July 2025

Venue: St. John's Church Community Hall

A warm welcome is guaranteed – and you do not have to come to all the sessions, please come when you are able.

> For further details, please speak to Noelle, or pick up a flyer from the back of Church.

## May Meetings & Events at St John's

Thursday 1st 7.30pm: Ensemble Practice (in church) Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> 1.30pm: Knit and Natter (CCH)

7.30pm: Fabric and Finance Committee (CCH)

Thursday 8th 7.30pm: Ensemble Practice (in church)

Sunday 11th 11.15am: APCM (in church after 10am service)

Tuesday 13th 6.30pm: Prayer meeting (in church) Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm: Ensemble Practice (in church)

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm: PCC meeting (CCH) Tuesday 20th 1.30pm: Knit and Natter (CCH)

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> 7.30pm: Ensemble Practice (in church)

7.15pm: Tuesday Group Bible Study (CCH) Tuesday 20th Weds 28th 11.00am: Prayer meeting (in church)

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup>** 7.30pm: Ensemble Practice (in church)





## **Prayers**

#### The Third Sunday of Easter (4th May)

Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

#### The Fourth Sunday of Easter (11th May)

Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep: teach us to hear your voice and to follow your command, that all your people may be gathered into one flock, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

#### The Fifth Sunday of Easter (18th May)

Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

#### The Sixth Sunday of Easter (25th May)

Risen Christ, by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples: help your Church to obey your command and draw the nations to the fire of your love, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

#### A Prayer for Ascension Day

Risen Christ,
you have raised our human
nature to the throne of heaven:
help us to seek and serve you,
that we may join you at the
Father's side,
where you reign with the Spirit in
glory, now and for ever.
Amen.

Ascension Day is 40 days after Easter, this year that is Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> May. It marks the day that Jesus ascended into heaven. You can read more about this in Luke 24 & Mark 16.

## 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

Ian 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 that in our differences we may build together for justice and peace.

In Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

(adapted from the Church of England Website)

# A prayer to commemorate the 80th Anniversary of Victory in Europe Day

O God of truth and justice,
we hold before you those men and women who
have died in active service,
particularly in the Second World War,
whose sacrifice brought Victory in Europe.
As we honour their courage and cherish their
memory, may we put our faith in your future;
for you are the source of life and hope,
now and for ever.

Amen.

(from the Church of England website)



#### Those we have been asked to pray for

Jim Linda Luke Richard

## **Prayer Group**

Members of St John's meet on the **2nd Tuesday evening of the month** at **6.30pm** and at **11am** on the **4**<sup>th</sup> **Wednesday morning** each month for prayer.

Both meeting will take place in the lady chapel at Church. The Lady Chapel just to the left of the pulpit as you come down the aisle.

If you would like to join us at either meeting, please do come along.