

OUR REGULAR SERVICES AT ST JOHN'S

- **Every Sunday at 8.30am:** Holy Communion - quiet "said" worship, using a Common Worship service. In the side chapel.
- **Every Sunday at 10am:** usually a Common Worship service with Holy Communion. Children's group most weeks (during term time). Otherwise family worship together in church, with dedicated family area.
- **Tuesdays at 9.15am:** Morning Prayer using Celtic liturgy, including prayer together and times of silence. In the side chapel.
- **Wednesday at 10am:** Holy Communion - a reflective service using the Book of Common Prayer. In the side chapel.
- **Thursdays at 6pm** Celtic Evening Prayer in the side chapel

In addition to these church services St John's offers in the Parish Centre:

- a weekly Toddlers Group on Tuesdays from 10-11.30 am during school term time. The charge is £2.00 per adult and all are welcome with their under school age children.
- Seasons Café in partnership with NESCOL, every Friday in term time from 12 noon to 1.30pm.

Every Sunday afternoon, 2pm: All Nations (Korean speaking) church meets.

Every Friday evening, 8pm: All Nations meets for prayer in the side chapel.

- Consecrated gluten free wafers and non-alcoholic wine are available. Please speak to those administering communion if you would like to receive either.
- At any of our Communion services, if you would like to receive Communion but find walking difficult, please speak to a welcomer at the door and they will arrange for Communion to be brought to you in your seat.
- This Church has a loop system. Hearing aid wearers should turn their aids to "T".
- Instructions in case of fire can be found at various points in the Parish Centre and by both main doors in the church



Welcome to St John's Church Stoneleigh

NOTICE SHEET FOR NOVEMBER 2018

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The next notice sheet will be issued on 25th November. Notices for the next issue should be sent to Alison Edwards, please, by 9.30am on Thursday 22nd November. If you have an urgent notice before then please contact Rev Mark Borley (vicar@stjohnsstoneleigh.org.uk) or leave a note in the red box in the church.

Church Office Contact Details:

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The office is open on Thursday & Friday mornings from approx 8.45 - 11.45am.

WELCOME TO OUR SERVICES AT ST JOHN'S THIS MONTH

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY: Today we welcome everyone including our uniformed groups to a traditional Service of Remembrance at 10am with two minutes silence and laying of wreaths at 11am. There will also be a half-hour Praying for Peace service at 6.30pm, followed by Ringing for Peace at 7pm - part of the largest nationwide ringing of bells since the end of the First World War 100 years ago.

CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL: Plans are well underway for our extensive Christmas festival which is particularly aimed at engaging with the wider community as well as our regular congregation. This will include a Star Trail for young and old, Santa's Christmas Party (a follow-up to the Teddy Bears Picnic) as well as the Christmas Craft Fayre, Carols round an outside tree, and all the usual Christmas services. To make this a success, we particularly need people willing to help with the Star Trail (setting up on Thu 6th Dec and school visit dates - to be arranged) and the two Santa's Christmas Parties (Sat 15th and Tue 18th Dec). More details nearer the time or speak to Rev Mark.

VISION DAY: Our Parish Vision Day is next Saturday - 17th November from 9.30 - 3pm. This is being led by Rev Danny Wignall, the Parish Development Advisor, who very successfully brought growth to his parish in Shottermills. The morning will be as much a retreat as an opportunity to share ideas. It is a vital part of discussing our hopes (and fears) for the future of St John's, and what we believe the church should be like in 5 - 10 years time. Everyone in the congregation is welcome to come along. Please do join us if at all possible to help discern how God is seeking to lead us for the future. Refreshments provided; please bring your own packed lunch if required. Do let Rev Mark know if you're interested in coming or would like more information.

BOTTLE TOMBOLA - REQUEST FOR DONATIONS:

We are planning to hold a bottle tombola at the Christmas Fair on December 8th. Please could you bring any bottles of any description so that we can have plenty of prizes on the stall. We will keep them in the choir vestry so that they are completely separate from the Food Bank donation. Many thanks for your help with this. Claire

DIARY: The new diary for 2019 is on the table by the glass door. Could everyone please make sure that all church activities are recorded. This includes but is not limited to house groups, meetings of committees, social events. They can then be included in the notice sheet and also publicised.

CHRISTMAS COW FOR KAKAMEGA: Last year you may remember that St John's raised £350 from donations to buy a cow to provide Christmas lunch for all the children at the RUSH School in Kakamega, Kenya who have no where to go for Christmas. Derek and I are doing the same again this year. If anyone wishes to make a contribution to this worthwhile cause, please either see me (cheques payable to International Needs or cash) or go on line to the International Needs web page www.ineeds.org.uk where you can donate and Gift Aid your donation. Please let me know if you donate on line so that I can keep a running total of funds raised. RUSH UK is now under the umbrella of International Needs in order to safeguard their future as Joan Hadlow retired from running RUSH single handedly on her 70th birthday this year! The kids don't have any presents and so their Christmas lunch is the one thing they can look forward to! Derek and I will match all donations given ourselves.

I have pictures and a short video of the children having their lunch last year if anyone would like to see where their money goes. Many thanks for all your help with this. Claire

TUNES'N'TEA: The final session of Tunes'n'Tea for this year will be on Thursday December 13th Live music plus tea, biscuits and cake. £3.00 entrance.

TEA TOWELS: Do you have a drawer full of tea towels you might never get round to using? If so we would be delighted to help you out by taking them off your hands to use in the Parish Centre kitchen. If you can help us out please contact Lynda White (8393 2743).