



# St John's, Stoneleigh

## Weekly Newsletter

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> February

### Welcome

We are pleased that you are joining us for worship today and we pray that each of us will meet with God.

### Collect

Almighty God, give us reverence for all creation and respect for every person, that we may mirror your likeness in Jesus Christ our Lord.

### Amen

### Bible Readings

Ephesians 4: 17-32  
Matthew 6: 25-34

### Hymns

MP 709 To him we come (leave out verse 3)  
MP 590 Seek ye first  
MP 624 Take my life and let it be  
MP 857 I, the Lord of sea and sky

### MIDWEEK FOCUS – ST PAUL'S

This weeks Midweek Focus on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> February is the St Paul's Holiday Club.

*Rev. Ken Hobbs*

### UPCOMING SUNDAYS

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> February – "Walking in the Light"  
Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March – All Age Worship "Fellow Travellers"  
Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March – "Transformed Relationships"

*Rev. Ken Hobbs*

### MORNING PRAYER

Morning prayer will resume on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> February.

*Roger Blake*

### CALLING ALL GARDENERS!

We are hoping to have a plant stall at our Spring Fair on the 16th May. Please could anyone who grows plants from seeds put a few more seeds in this year for the church plant sale? It doesn't matter what you grow: vegetables, flowers or shrubs. We would love to have any donations you can bring. If you know any keen gardeners, please ask them if they can help too! Any plants you grow for the church can be brought along on the day before 10.00 or the night before between 6 and 7 p.m. Many thanks in advance.

*Claire Cornell*

### OPENING CHURCH

We are looking for someone to open the church on the mornings of 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> March. If you can help, please get in touch with one of the Church Wardens.

*Janis Forder and Ken Mussell*

### READING

On the table at the front of church are copies for the 'CARE Prayer Diary and 'Word for Today'.

*Rev. Ken Hobbs*

### CD

The Baby and Toddler Group CD from the CD player in the Lady Chapel has gone missing. It was last seen under the alter in the Lady Chapel. If anyone knows where this might be, please get in touch. The CD has the all important 'Tidy Up' song on it!

*Rev. Ken Hobbs*

### ASH WEDNESDAY

On February 26<sup>th</sup>, there will be a Holy Communion service at 7:30pm. This will give us the opportunity to have a reflective start to the season.

*Rev. Ken Hobbs*

### CULTURE OF INVITATION

Training on the Culture of Invitation with Michael Harvey will be taking place at St Peter's Church, Wrecclesham on 24<sup>th</sup> March 2020. There are daytime and evening sessions. If you are interested, please contact the office for further information.

*Rev. Ken Hobbs*

### HALF TERM

Please note that it is half term this coming week and therefore, no Baby and Toddler Group or NESOCOT Café.

### DAY ON PRAYER at St. Mary's Chessington – Rev'd Scott Edwards

On Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April in St Mary's Church Centre, there will be a day on prayer in its many forms including use of praying as we walk a labyrinth. This will be lead by guest speaker, Martin Garsed, who is an Anglican Spiritual Director, Counsellor and experienced labyrinth guide.

The day will last from about 10.00 am until around 4.00pm. Refreshments will be provided throughout the day but please bring a packed lunch. A small donation of £5 to cover costs gratefully received. Everyone is welcome to join for what will be an interesting and fruitful day.

Please contact Jane Gates - 07585840457 - for more information or to let us know if you are coming so we can cater for correct numbers.

### ON THIS WEEK

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> – Craft Group  
Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> – Midweek Focus and David Wiltshire's House Group  
Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> – Tunes 'n' Tea and Roger Blake's coffee morning

## **Archbishop of Canterbury's visit to our Diocese from 18-20 March**

There are some key events taking place, all of which are free to attend and some require booking in advance.

**An evening with Justin Welby** - Thursday 19 March 7.30pm at the Lakeside Complex near Camberley. This is our main event with the Archbishop and over 1,000 clergy, PCC members and other ministry leaders have already booked places. We are now excited to offer the remaining places to anyone in the congregation who would like to attend.

To book visit <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/an-evening-with-justin-welby-tickets-85951512287>

**An evening for young people** - Wednesday 18th March 6:30pm at Christ Church, Woking. Archbishop Justin will be joining over 200 young people at Christchurch Woking for a service of informal worship, which will include stories of how he has seen God at work in his life, along with the opportunity to ask him questions about anything that you like. The evening is aimed at young people aged 11-18, and their youth leaders.

To book visit <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/an-evening-with-justin-welby-for-young-people-tickets-88675509837>

**Archbishop on Guildford High Street** - Wednesday 18 March at 4.15pm at the bottom of Guildford High Street. No booking required.

For more information about these events and other events that are taking place, please go to <https://www.cofeguildford.org.uk/whats-on/archbishop-of-canterbury-march-2020>

## **Book of Remembrance**

This week we remember from our Book of Remembrance  
Grace Florence Schofield, Peggy Barnard and  
Doreen Stansfield.

## **Ephesians 4: 17-32**

Now this I affirm and insist on in the Lord: you must no longer live as the Gentiles live, in the futility of their minds. They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of their ignorance and hardness of heart. They have lost all sensitivity and have abandoned themselves to licentiousness, greedy to practise every kind of impurity. That is not the way you learned Christ! For surely you have heard about him and were taught in him, as truth is in Jesus. You were taught to put away your former way of life, your old self, corrupt and deluded by its lusts, and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and to clothe yourselves with the new self, created according to the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbours, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labour and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you.

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