



# St. John's Newsletter

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## Letter from the Vicar

In November the church calendar turns to 'remembering' as a very strong theme. We remember and celebrate the saints who have gone before in our All Saints service on 3<sup>rd</sup> November, and then at 3pm that afternoon, we remember more personally those we have loved and lost at our memorial service. Then we have Remembrance Sunday on the 10<sup>th</sup> November, remembering those who gave their lives in times of war to enable times of peace for us. Then in our final two Sundays in November, part of Kingdom Season in the liturgical calendar, we remember the hopes and promises of God's kingdom, and end the church year with Christ the King, who holds us all, and who holds all things.



Remembering has always been an important part of the Christian faith: it is more than just keeping alive the memory. It is part of our healing, part of our heritage, and part of our future. Whether we are remembering loved ones, remembering the sacrifices of others, remembering the promises of the Kingdom or remembering Christ in the Eucharist, it says that these people, these things, these events, are important to us. There is something sacred about remembering. I encourage you to give time to your own remembering this year, and enter into the different points of this season as you can. There will be moments of sorrow, moments of joy, moments of poignancy. But just as Christ the King holds us, so we hold one another, bear the Christ-light for one another, and walk together in our need and our thankfulness.

With my best wishes

## St John's Christmas Fayre Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November

10am – 1pm



You won't have missed the advertising (or the sign-up sheets in church) for our Christmas Fayre, which this year takes place on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November. After that our Advent services and Christmas events start in earnest – so do read the notices to see what help you can offer. This and the Christmas tree festival in

December are very popular community events and two of our biggest engagements with the wider community in the year. Thank you for your support!



# Come & See! Family Work at St John's!

Café Breakfast Church teams up with Muddy Church in November for our very special and very popular Christmas wreath-making workshop. It



takes place at the slightly later time of 10.30am, and runs until 12pm. Breakfast will be provided, and there will also be decorations for the children to make.



Because this is such a popular event, we have to limit numbers: there is a sign-up sheet at the back of church, and a reserve list which, if anyone who has booked drops out, we will contact you in order of the sign-up list to see if you would like a place. The event is free, but we do suggest a donation of £5 to help us cover some of our costs for this event.



Meanwhile our October **Muddy Church** had over 45 attend, as we all took up our trowels and planted spring bulbs in the churchyard, before drinking some well-deserved hot chocolate! We look forward to seeing the fruit of our labours in the north side of the churchyard come the spring!



## Harvest Celebrations



We had a fabulous Harvest Supper, and many thanks to the wonderful preparation of food and service by a great team, and to this year's 'entertainers'. We all agreed it was a fantastic evening. Our Harvest service the next day was enhanced by the wonderful flower arrangements prepared by the flower team, and the beautiful display loaf prepared by Barbara Foulger, who also made the loaves for the communion. You will see elsewhere the lovely thank you we received from Roots to Routes in response to all your harvest gifts that we took down to them. Thank you again for making it a harvest celebration to remember.



## St John's Church

# Christmas Fayre

Macaulay Rd & Dunyeats Rd

Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov 10am-1pm



**Free entry!!**

New this year: special Christmas craft stalls.  
Further stalls, grand raffle, games,  
refreshments & cakes.  
Santa Claus will be  
coming at 11am and  
looks forward to seeing  
the children!

# Advent Carol Service



Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December 5pm - A beautiful  
service with candlelit procession,  
Advent Carols and readings.

St John's Church, Macaulay Rd



**ALL WELCOME!**

Advent tea is served in the Parish Hall  
at 4pm before the service.

## Christmas at St John's Church, Broadstone Join us for our Christmas services!



Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> Dec 10.30am-  
12pm Muddy Church  
Christmas Christingle party  
with Christingles.

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> Dec 6.30pm  
Festival of 9 Lessons/Carols  
with the Community Band

Sat 21<sup>st</sup> Dec 6pm Longest  
Night Service A quiet service  
for those who find Christmas a  
difficult or uneasy time. The  
church will be open from 5pm to

light candles.

### Christmas Eve

11am Community sing-a-long carols in churchyard.

3pm Crib service: Journey to Bethlehem: **children -  
come dressed as your favourite nativity character!**

Angels, shepherds, wise men, Mary, Joseph, the star!  
Help us tell the Christmas story. There will be **two  
live donkeys coming**, with petting / photo  
opportunities!

11.30pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day 8am Eucharist; 10am Sung  
Eucharist with carols and surprises!

## St John's Church Magical Christmas Tree Festival, Macaulay Rd & Dunyeats Rd



Sat 7<sup>th</sup> Dec 10am-4pm \* Drinks & cakes in the  
parish hall. Also open Sun 8<sup>th</sup> Dec 2-4pm.

FREE ENTRY Programme £1 entitles to free drink Sat  
only. SANTA CLAUS will be here 3.15-4pm Sat only.



# News from the St John's Eco Gang



## ECO TIP FOR NOVEMBER: THE WIMBORNE REPAIR CAFÉ

Have you visited the Wimborne Repair Café situated at the Methodist Church in Wimborne? It's in King Street, near the Minster. Post code: BH21 1DY. Once a month, a wonderful team of volunteer fixers are on hand to bring your loved items back to life. Repairs are available on small electrical products, sewing, ceramics, IT, knife sharpening, bicycles and a few bits in between! Since starting in 2019, 1332 items have been repaired saving a thousand from being thrown away. The Repair Café is open on the third Saturday of each month from midday until 2 p.m. The cafe serves tasty homemade treats and refreshments while you wait. If you'd like to check opening dates or whether your item can be repaired: please email [wimbornerepaircafe@gmail.com](mailto:wimbornerepaircafe@gmail.com)

**CREATING WILDLIFE FRIENDLY SPACES** You are invited to a Dorset Wildlife Trust talk on how to make your garden, allotment or church grounds a haven for wildlife. Monday 25th November 2024 7.15 pm in Northreach. This is a free event but **booking is essential** by emailing [wildlifegardeningadmin@dorsetwildlifetrust.org.uk](mailto:wildlifegardeningadmin@dorsetwildlifetrust.org.uk). We are very pleased to be able to host this event, which will be a wonderful opportunity to learn and share knowledge and experience.



## Thank you from Routes to Roots for Harvest Donations



**MESSAGE FROM TRACY HAYMAN CHARITY SUPPORT & ADMINISTRATOR** I was bowled over when I helped bring the boxes and bags into the Genesis Centre. Every day, amidst all the troubles and stresses of regular life, I am equally awed by the kindness of all manner of folk. Your donation made a real impact. Thank you once again.

## Revd Canon David Price 60 Years Celebration

The Revd Canon David Price celebrated 60 years of his priesthood on 25th September at Wimborne Minster where he was previously the vicar for many years. The service was attended by over 80 people including two of his curates who he mentored nearly 40 years ago. After the service there was tea and cake. The town crier arrived in full regalia to decree what a wonderful achievement this was. David took many services during our interregnum at St Johns and he regularly attended the Sunday lunches with his wife Fran. David is still a valued member of St Johns congregation.



## Getting to Grips with the Gospels

It isn't too late to join in, but let Revd Helen know you are coming, so she can provide enough resources. These will take place on *the second Saturday of the month, 9.45am (coffee), 10am start until 11am*. There is no meeting in December however! Dates are: Sat 9th Nov, Sat 11th Jan, Sat 8th Feb, Sat 8th March, Sat 12th April, Sat 24<sup>th</sup> May (AMENDED DATE FOR MAY), no meetings in June or July.

# Diary Round-up: Events at St John's in November

Sat 2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	9.30am – 12noon Gardening Day
Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup> Nov	8am Holy Communion (BCP) All Saints 10am Parish Eucharist All Saints & Bottle Sunday 3pm All Souls Memorial Service
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Office & Church Closed
Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> Nov	10.30am Eucharist
Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup> Nov	8.45am Morning Prayer in Church 10am – 12 noon Holy Grounds Coffee Morning 7pm Standing Committee at the Vicarage
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> November	1.30pm Children's work meeting at The Vicarage
Sat 9 <sup>th</sup> Nov	10am Getting to Grips with the Gospels 2pm Craft & Chat Group
Sun 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov	8am Holy Communion 9.30am Parish Eucharist Remembrance Sunday 11.30am RBL service in church – all welcome
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> Nov	10.30am Eucharist 7.30pm House Group in NorthReach
Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup> Nov	8.45am Morning Prayer in Church 10am – 12 noon Holy Grounds Coffee Morning 7.30pm St John's Fellowship
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Nov	2.30pm LPA meeting at The Vicarage
Sat 16 <sup>th</sup> Nov	10.30am – 12 noon Café Breakfast & Muddy Church Wreath-Making
Sun 17 <sup>th</sup> Nov	8am Holy Communion 10am Parish Eucharist (All Age) with Bishop Karen
Wed 20 <sup>th</sup> Nov	10.30am Eucharist
Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup> Nov	8.45am Morning Prayer in Church 10am – 12 noon Holy Grounds Coffee Morning 7.30pm PCC in Parish Hall
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	1pm – 4pm Decorating Church for Christmas 6.30pm – 8pm Setting up for Christmas Fayre
Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup> Nov	10am – 1pm Christmas Fayre
Sun 24 <sup>th</sup> Nov	8am Holy Communion 10am Parish Eucharist Remedy Oak Lunch
Mon 25 <sup>th</sup> Nov	7.15pm Dorset Wildlife Trust in NorthReach (see notice)
Wed 27 <sup>th</sup> Nov	10.30am Eucharist 7.30pm House Group in NorthReach
Thurs 28 <sup>th</sup> Nov	8.45am Morning Prayer in Church 10am – 12 noon Holy Grounds Coffee Morning



# Service readings in November

Date	Sunday	OT	Psalm	NT	Gospel
Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup> Nov	All Saints	Isaiah 25.6-9	Psalm 24.1-6	Revelation 21.1- 6a	John 11.32-34
Sun 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Kingdom 2	Jonah 3.1-5, 10	Psalm 62. 5-end	Hebrews 9.24-end	Mark 1.14-20
Sun 17 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Kingdom 3	Daniel 12.1-3	Psalm 16	Hebrews 10.11- 14, 19-25	Mark 13.1-8
Sun 24 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Christ the King	Daniel 7.9-10, 13-14	Psalm 93	Revelation 1.4b-8	John 18.33-37

## Occasional Offices from October



### Baptisms

13 <sup>th</sup> October	Reuben John Jenkins
19 <sup>th</sup> October	Eli Boyce & Alia Boyce
26 <sup>th</sup> October	Lily Grace Feilder

### Funerals

16 <sup>th</sup> October	David Williamson (St John's Church)
5 <sup>th</sup> September	Coral Wilby (Harbour View)

### Burial of Ashes

2 <sup>nd</sup> October	Betty Roberts (St John's Churchyard)
11 <sup>th</sup> October	Astrid Hedges (St John's Churchyard)
30 <sup>th</sup> October	Jacqueline Saxton (St John's Churchyard)

## St John's News from the Pews

*A more detailed look at what is happening in and around the church...*



**CHARITY VOTINGS** We asked the congregation to nominate charities we might support, and are grateful for some excellent suggestions. They fall into three categories of charities: local, UK wide & international, and eco-friendly. We will support at least one charity from each category and if you are a member of St Johns's (i.e. on our electoral roll) we now invite you to use your three votes: one for each category. Voting slips and details of the charities have been sent to each member for whom we have an email address. There will also be a ballot box and some paper copies of the slip at the back of church for members not on email. The closing date for votes is **17<sup>th</sup> November** but you don't have to wait till then!

**DECEMBER & JANUARY READERS** Please sign up at the back of the Church, if you are able to read during the month of December and/or January. Once all the spaces have been filled, Caroline will send you the rota and the readings for that month. Many thanks.

**GROUNDS CLEAR UP DAY SAT 2<sup>ND</sup> NOVEMBER** The Gardening Group are having another "Autumn Clear Up" of the Church Grounds. If anyone would like to join us for anytime between 09:30 and 12:00 you will be more than welcome. There is no requirement to come for the whole time and refreshments will be available in Northreach throughout that period. If you are able to come and could bring your own hand



tools such as forks and secateurs, that would be helpful. And if you can let me or the Parish Office know you are coming that would help. Many thanks *Ken Pearce*



**REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY ARRANGEMENTS 10TH NOVEMBER** The 10am service is moved to 9.30am, when we welcome Archdeacon Antony. The 8am is as usual. The procession to the war memorial begins outside the British Legion club at 10.50am, for the brief 11am Act of Remembrance at the war memorial. We then make our way to St John's for the 11.30am Remembrance Service with the British Legion, and all are welcome to attend.

**SAMARITAN'S PURSE - SHOEBOX APPEAL** Completed boxes need to be returned by Sun 10th Nov. Please drop them off at Church, the Parish Office or Fellowship Meeting. If you would like your box collected please contact me Jean Rigler 01202 601109.

**ST. JOHN'S FELLOWSHIP** Nov 14th, 7.30pm in the Parish Hall. In October we were given another very interesting talk by Mike Brooke about his travels with his hammer: no doubt this month will be fascinating too although slightly closer to home when Malcolm Angel comes to tell us about The Ghosts of Wimborne. Also this month please bring your "buttons & beads decorations" to the meeting so we can use them to decorate the Fellowship Christmas tree entry for the festival in Dec. As ever, new members are most welcome. For any further information please do not hesitate to contact Jean Rigler on 01202 601109.

**BUNDLING OF CHRISTMAS CARDS** Anyone able to help with the bundling of the Churches Together Christmas cards ready for door delivery, please go along to St Antony's on York Rd on Friday 15th Nov at 10am. We are grateful for your help in this!

**CHRISTMAS WREATH-MAKING WORKSHOP** Saturday 16th Nov 10.30am – 12pm. November's Cafe Breakfast Church, combined with Muddy Church, will be making Christmas wreaths. There is a sign-up list for this as it is a very popular event! Sign up asap on the sheet at the back of church. There is a column there to indicate whether you are bringing last year's wreath ring to make a new one, or whether you need a new wreath ring. The event is free, but we suggest a £5 donation per family to help costs. Thank you.



**NEW FAIRTRADE STALL** Reminder that the Fairtrade stall will be available on 17<sup>th</sup> November. I have brochures and order forms for Christmas cards which will be available from this coming Sunday (3<sup>rd</sup> November). To order cards, please either return the order form to me by 17<sup>th</sup> November or email an order to me at [vandprenyard@gmail.com](mailto:vandprenyard@gmail.com) (payment on receipt of cards). Many thanks, Val (Renyard)

**EGG BOX APPEAL** Please bring in any egg boxes you have spare, which we need for Cafe Breakfast Church / Muddy session on Sat 16th November. Many thanks. Revd Helen



**SMALL PINECONE APPEAL** Please bring in any small pinecones you may have, needed for our Christmas wreath-making on Sat 16th November. Thank you!

**APPEAL FOR FIR BRANCHES** we desperately need cuttings and prunings from fir branches for our Christmas wreath-making workshop on 16th November. Please could anyone who is able to bring any cuttings to the parish office that week. Please also let me know you have some to bring so I know I shall have enough greenery. Thank you! Revd Helen

**BISHOP KAREN AT ST JOHN'S SUNDAY 17TH NOVEMBER** We are delighted to welcome Bishop Karen on Sunday 17th November as she visits us to preside and preach at our 10am service. We very much look forward to her being with us that morning.

**REMEDY OAK** Sign up sheet & menus at the back of Church for our Christmas lunch on November 24<sup>th</sup>. All welcome!



**WILD FLOWERS** We are looking to plant some wild flowers in our Churchyard such as Ajuga, Betony, Primrose, Pulmonaria and Marjoram. All donations gratefully received.

**CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS** Thank you to those who have knitted little stockings for our Christmas Fayre & Tree Festival! If you have any at home, please could you bring them to Caroline, so we can see how many we have/how many more we need.

**VERGERS NEEDED** The vicar still needs extra people to be a verger at funerals and weddings at St John's. If interested, have a word with Revd Helen.

**RAISE MONEY FOR ST JOHNS WITH TRUST130** For every new home insurance policy taken out with Ecclesiastical, they'll donate £130 to an Anglican church of the policy holder's choice. For info, contact Caroline in the office or call Ecclesiastical on **0800 7830 130**.



**CORFE MULLEN FOOD BANKS** Food donations can be left in the Church porch every weekday morning 10am-1pm, Sundays 12noon- 4.30pm. All donations are given to Corfe Mullen foodbank run by St. Nicholas's Church: they provide food for individuals & families local to Broadstone, and issue vouchers to all local Schools. If you wish to make a cash donation, visit their website [parishofcorfemullen.church/foodbank](http://parishofcorfemullen.church/foodbank) or contact Sheila & Ken for details.

**HOLY GROUNDS COFFEE MORNING** Free tea & coffee every Thursday, from 10am – 12noon. Come and enjoy a drink and a chat with old friends & new.



## Further Afield

**BOURNEMOUTH WILLIAM TEMPLE ASSOCIATION** Monday 4<sup>th</sup> Nov at the Marsham Court Hotel, Bournemouth. The meeting starts at 7.40pm but beforehand there is an optional dinner at 6.30pm.

**THE BROADSTONE CHOIR COME AND SING** Gloria Workshop on Saturday 9th November 2024 10am-4pm at St. Dunstan's Church 2 Poole Road, Upton, Poole BH16 5JA £18. All Singers welcome. Further information from [broadstonechoir@gmail.com](mailto:broadstonechoir@gmail.com)

**BROADSTONE FUNDRAISING GROUP FOR CANCER RESEARCH** Join us for a Christmas Coffee Morning 30<sup>th</sup> Nov 10am-12pm at the United Reformed Church Hall, Higher Blandford Road. Entrance £4 includes Coffee/Tea and mince pies. We'd love to see you.

**CHITTER CHATTER CLUB** Every Wednesday, 2.30pm – 4pm at Cafe Gardenia.

**TUESDAY CLUB AT BROADSTONE UNITED REFORMED CHURCH** We are open 10.30 am till 2pm. Please contact Ann on 01202 849136 for more information.

**DEADLINE FOR DEC/JAN EDITION SUBMISSIONS FRI 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov.**

Please email all items to [admin@stjohnschurchbroadstone.org.uk](mailto:admin@stjohnschurchbroadstone.org.uk),  
AND a copy to Revd Helen at [revdhelenbailey@gmail.com](mailto:revdhelenbailey@gmail.com)