



WEEKLY NEWS

Easter 4, 11th May 2025

Worship

COLLECT: Easter 4

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.

OLD TESTAMENT: Genesis 7.1-5, 11-18; 8.6-18; 9.8-13

PSALM: Psalm 23

NEW TESTAMENT: Acts 9.36-end

GOSPEL READING: John 10.22-30

PRAYERS FOR CHURCHES TOGETHER IN BROADSTONE

We pray for all the care homes in Broadstone, for all the residents and staff. We pray they may be vibrant communities filled with love and care, where friendships are created and spiritual support given as well as physical and other needs met. We pray for those who find it hard to settle after moving from their own home, and ask for comfort and care to help them make that adjustment.



SICK LIST We pray for Denise M, Anne W, Debbie C, Vitalia W, Margaret S, Lyn T, Nick M, Pauline H, Valerie H, Mia W, Johanna Evans

RIP Connie Lawford, Denis Armstrong, Pam Tappenden, Mabel (Mabs) Wood, Richard West

YEAR'S MIND Pray for Stella Winifred Harrington, Burchell Gladwyn, Lynn Watkins, Elaine Frew & Daphne Higgins, whose year's mind falls at this time.

Funeral of Denis Armstrong takes place on Thursday 22nd May, 3pm at The Barn, Harbour View Crematorium.

Funeral of Richard West takes place on Friday 30th May, 3pm at St John's Church. Anyone attending please contact the office to let Caroline know if you will be coming to refreshments afterwards (in Northreach Annexe) for catering purposes, so Caroline can give approximate numbers to Hazel. Many thanks.

News and Notices

NEW APPOINTMENT OF REVD HELEN AS DEAN OF WOMEN'S MINISTRY FOR SALISBURY DIOCESE As you will know from either the APCM or my Vicar's letter in the May newsletter, alongside my being Vicar of St John's (which I hope to be for many years to come!) I have just been appointed to this role, which involves being an advocate for women clergy and offering women clergy support. It will not take me away from any of my work at St John's, although there is an annual conference I attend, and that happens to be next week. I shall be in Leeds from Tuesday to Thursday, back at my desk Friday 16th May. *Revd Helen*

NEW FAIR TRADE stall will be available after the 10 o'clock Service this Sunday.

NEW JUNE & JULY READERS Please sign up at the back of the Church, if you are able to read during the month of June and/or July. Once all the spaces have been filled, Caroline will send you the rota and the readings for that month. Many thanks.

GETTING TO GRIPS WITH THE GOSPELS Final session Sat 24th May.

AMENDED PLANT SALE- SATURDAY 10TH MAY 10-12noon Please bring all plants, cakes and preserves to the Parish Hall from 8.30am on Saturday 10th May. There will be a plant crèche in the car park where you can leave your purchases whilst you have tea/coffee and a slice of homemade cake, or go to collect your car. Please come along to support this fund-raising event for St John's. *Marion Marsh*

CRAFT AND CHAT GROUP Apologies, but there will be **NO** Craft & Chat Group on Saturday 10th May.

HOUSEGROUPS RESTARTING We are re-starting Housegroups which will run fortnightly from Wednesday 14th May for 6 sessions, ending on the 23rd July. The content will be based on the film *The Greatest Showman* with clips of the film leading into the discussions on the evening and if numbers require a daytime session. The venue will be determined by the level of interest, preferably in a home or possibly NorthReach. For further information about the course please contact either Ken Pearce on 01202690676 or Paul Winsworth on 01202601467.

BOTTLE SUNDAY ON 25TH MAY Please bring all sorts of bottles for the Summer Fayre bottle stall that day. Thank you.

TRAINING SESSSION for Vergers & Sidespeople will take place on Sun 1st June, after the 10am service. Please put this date in your diaries.

AMENDED REVD GARY WALDRON'S ORDINATION SATURDAY 28th JUNE
We have booked a coach to pick up from St John's Church at 2.30pm and will arrive back in Broadstone at approximately 8pm. Cost is **£14** per head, which includes a tip for the driver. Please make payment to Caroline in the office (card/cash/cheque) or a BACs payment to the normal St John's account (St John the Baptist PCC Sort code: 30-96-73 (Lloyds Bank) Account no. 02328599) with the reference as **coach/yoursurname** (if you could send Caroline an email to say you have paid in this way, that would really help). There are a few more spaces available, so please let Caroline know if you are able to come along!

EVENTS COMMITTEE While we value anyone who wants to join the committee, we also hope to encourage other members of the congregation to take a more active role on an occasional basis to help at events. They are all good fun and a good way for newcomers especially to get to know the rest of us. Our next event is the Plant and Preserves sale on Saturday 10th May, organised by Marion Marsh and I know she will be very grateful for any help, especially with setting up and taking down. June 21st is Summer Fete Day and we will be looking for volunteers in all sorts of areas. **We particularly need two people to do the cooking of Burgers & Sausages on the BBQ and run the bar.** The BBQ, food, sauces etc will be provided, but we need people to cook and serve. There are lots of other events planned for the rest of the year and we will be letting you have details of these nearer the time. *Roger Leach*

BOTTLES FOR REMEMBRANCE DAY I am wanting bottles, i.e. coke, lemonade, mixer drinks etc... to take the bottoms off to make poppies for a Remembrance Day project. Please bring any clean bottles to the Parish Office. Many thanks *Ann Biggs*

SERVERS REQUIRED. We are looking for new servers to recruit (those who carry candles and the cross during services, among other things). Please let the vicar or Keith Manston know asap if you would like to know more about this role.

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.

CALL FOR OLD SPECTACLES! A reminder that we have a bin at the back of the church where you can donate your old glasses for charity.

SPECTACLES FOUND Some glasses have been found and are in the Parish Office, waiting to be returned to their owner. Please see Caroline if you have recently lost a pair.

PARKING AT THE PARISH HALL A reminder that if there is room, you are allowed to park but **ONLY** on church business - no other reason. You must only park in a way that uses a genuine space and **MUST NOT** block anyone in nor prevent emergency access to the hall by a vehicle from the gate. Please ensure all cars are removed by 12 noon on Wednesdays if you have parked by the fence nearest to church / outside parish hall itself. Thank you. *Revd Helen*

STRICTLY NO ACCESS TO PARISH HALL ITSELF MON TO FRI 7.30am - 6.25pm This is a reminder that there is strictly no access to the building for any reason whatsoever Mon to Fri 7.30am to 6.25pm. Many thanks - I appreciate very much your co-operation with this. *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 Mon - Fri 10am-1pm & Sun 11.30am – 12.15pm. All given to St Nicholas' Church Corfe Mullen FoodBank who provide food for Broadstone individuals & families, and vouchers to Broadstone / Hillbourne Schools After the Easter School Holiday the Food Bank is short of everything especially **tins of meat, vegetables, fruit and tomatoes; also jars of sauces for meals such as Bolognese and Curry**. Visit parishofcorfemullen.church/foodbank to make cash donation or contact Sheila & Ken.

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

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sat 10 th May	10am – 12 noon Plant & Produce Sale in Parish Hall
Sun 11 th May	10am Parish Eucharist with Baptism in service (Coffee after service in Parish Hall, where any left-overs plants will be on sale) 3pm Muddy Church
Wed 14 th May	7.30pm House Group start date – see notice
Thurs 15 th May	8.45am Morning Prayer in Church 10am – 12 noon Holy Grounds Coffee Morning 7.30pm PCC in Parish Hall
Sat 17 th May	10am Café Breakfast Church
Sun 18 th May	8am Holy Communion with Archdeacon Antony – last day 10am Parish Eucharist with Archdeacon Antony – last service
Tues 20 th May	Office Closed 2.30pm Burial of Ashes
Thurs 22 nd May	8.45am Morning Prayer in Church 10am – 12 noon Holy Grounds Coffee Morning
Fri 23 rd May	10am Worship and Spirituality Committee at The Vicarage.
Sat 24 th May	9.45am Getting to Grips with the Gospels – last session
Sun 25 th May	8am Holy Communion also Bottle Sunday! 10am Parish Eucharist also Bottle Sunday!
Mon 26 th May	Office Closed

FURTHER AFIELD

BOURNEMOUTH WILLIAM TEMPLE ASSOCIATION Monday 12th May at the Marsham Court Hotel, Bournemouth. The meeting starts at 7.40pm but beforehand there is an optional dinner at 6.30pm.

DONATIONS FOR ASYLUM SEEKERS BIKES WANTED International Care Network (ICN) are looking for bikes for refugees and asylum seekers in BCP. Do you have an unused but usable bike stagnating in your garage or garden? For further info contact Judith on 07840490525 or judithw0651@gmail.com

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

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WEEKLY SERVICES

Sunday Eucharist 8am & 10am
Wednesday Eucharist 10.30am