



WEEKLY NEWS

11 after Trinity, 16th August 2026

Worship

COLLECT: 11 after Trinity

God of glory, the end of our searching, help us to lay aside all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom, and to give all that we have to gain the pearl beyond all price, through our Saviour Jesus Christ.

OLD TESTAMENT Isaiah 56.1, 6-8 **PSALM:** Psalm 67

NEW TESTAMENT Romans 11.1-2a, 29-32 **GOSPEL READING:** Matthew 15.21-28

PRAYERS FOR CHURCHES TOGETHER IN BROADSTONE

Lord, we pray for the local care homes, for all the staff, for any volunteers, and for all whose work is caring. We pray for all those whose lives have been changed by moving into a care home; we pray for them as they face significant changes, and we ask that you hold them close and bring them reassurance.



SICK LIST We pray for Anne W, Vitalia W, Margaret S, Pauline H, Johanna E, Marie M, Anne L-B, Tony S, Linda S, Anna S, Mia W, Eve F, Jean M, Valerie H, Michael F

RIP Sheila Hunter, Barbara Parker, Mike Thornton

YEAR'S MIND Pray for Mary Smith, Martin Small, Patricia Musson, Betty Roberts & Coral Wilby, whose year's mind falls at this time.

The funeral of Sheila Hunter will be held at St John's Church on Friday 14th August at 1pm. All welcome. Please wear bright colours if you can to the service.

The funeral of Mike Thornton will be held at St John's Church on Friday 4th September at 1pm. All welcome. Black dress optional, or wear colours as a symbol of love.

News and Notices

DUNYEATS ROAD WESTBOUND CLOSURES From 23rd July – 28th Aug. Dunyeats Road closed westbound from Dunyeats Road (Gravel Hill) Roundabout (by crematorium) to Broadstone Roundabout (by Costa). For info go to: <https://one.network/?tm=GB150376454>

NEW CLERGY ANNUAL LEAVE AND RETREAT Please note that Revd Gary is on leave from Monday 17th August until 1st September. Revd Helen is on leave and on her annual retreat from 17th August, back on 26th August. Please contact a church warden during these dates if something comes up which cannot wait.

NEW PARISH OFFICE AND CHURCH FOR PRIVATE PRAYER will be closed from Tuesday 18th Aug – Monday 31st Aug. It will reopen on Tuesday 1st September at 9.30am. Wednesday Eucharist will be on as normal. Access through NorthReach.

NEW SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE THIS MONDAY 10am If you have any *items for the September newsletter, ideally we now need them by this Monday at 10am at the latest*. If there is a message to go in after that deadline, send them to Revd Helen (Caroline won't be around) and she will try to squeeze them in or at least get your message out in her email she will send round on 28th August.

AMENDED ROOF REPAIRS Scaffolding has been erected around the Church. Please follow any signage. **From Monday 17th August, when workman are onsite, access to Church will be via NorthReach only.**

AMENDED HOLIDAY AT HOME 2026 11am – 3pm Fun, Friends & Fabulous Food – all without leaving town! This is for anyone who will not get a holiday away this year - either yourself or someone you know. Joining with visitors from St Nicholas Church for a holiday at home (in the annexe) on Wednesday 26th August for a day of laughter, games, treats and togetherness. **This Sunday is the last day for registration. Forms, menu choices & money must be in by Sun 16th Aug.**

NEW CREATION SUNDAY AND WET NOSE SUNDAY PET SERVICE As we begin Creationtide at the beginning of September, we look forward to our Creation in Christ Festival Service at the 10am on Sunday 6th September, led by the Eco Group. And then at 3pm that day we have our popular Wet Nose Sunday Pet Service with blessing of the animals. Do see the poster and bring your pets along! All welcome!

POOLE-WAU PARTNERSHIP The next Prayer Meeting will be on Monday 7th September at 12.30 at **St John's Church**, Broadstone. All welcome.

CULTURAL AWARENESS SESSION... EXPLORING OUR BIASES Saturday 26th September, 10am-12:30pm (refreshments from 9.30am) at St John's Church, Broadstone. We are offering an exciting study morning at St John's, just for our congregation. This interactive session offers a practical and reflective introduction to unconscious bias, helping participants understand how bias develops, how it can influence the way we think and respond to others, and how we can respond with greater awareness, humility and Christ-like love. Revd Helen will be part of this morning, and we welcome two people who will be leading the session: Umair from Guildford Diocese and Katharine Robinson, the Racial Justice Officer for Salisbury Diocese. Places are limited to 30 - all from St John's. Please sign up on the sheets at the back. Have a word with Revd Helen if you'd like to know more!

NEW AUTUMN HOUSEGROUP COMING! We are thrilled that the housegroup will be returning in the autumn, probably from the first week in October. Details to be announced. The group will be looking at Paula Gooder's study guide called 'Women of the Nativity' as the preparation and countdown to Advent, and in January this may be followed up with her study guide 'Women of Holy Week, leading up to Easter if it proves enjoyable material. Kean Pearce will provide more details about this soon.

ST. JOHN'S EVENTS As I am sure you are all aware, the cost of keeping the church on a stable financial footing is continually increasing. To assist with these ever increasing costs the EVENT'S COMMITTEE organise seven major fundraising events each year and we are very grateful to those of the congregation who already turn up to help at these events. The committee is a small group of dedicated volunteers who give their time to ensure all the events are well run and enjoyable for everyone. However, we need YOUR help. Not everyone wants to serve on an organising committee or is able to do so for various reasons, but there are lots of things many could do. For example, selling event tickets during coffee on Sunday morning. I feel sure there are lots of you prepared to help occasionally but are reluctant to put your name forward in case you get pressured into joining the committee (I can assure you that you won't be) or maybe you are just waiting to be asked. If so, I AM ASKING!!! "IF LOTS OF PEOPLE VOLUNTEER TO DO A LITTLE, NO ONE HAS TO DO TOO MUCH" If you are able to help, even with small tasks, the committee will be most grateful. Please sign up on the sheet at the back of church so that I may contact you to check availability when help is required. Remember, every little helps: you can always say no if you are not available. Many thanks, *Roger Leach* Events coordinator.

MANAGER OF PARISH BUILDINGS FUND If you would like to contribute to the **£36,000 we need to raise**, which will pay the extra needed to fund the first 5 years of the developed post, you can do this in a number of ways. If paying by cash or cheque, make cheques out to **St**

John the Baptist PCC, put the cash/cheque in an envelope marked 'Manager Parish Buildings Fund' and hand to a churchwarden/the office. If you would like to pay by BACs, the church account details are below, but PLEASE hand an envelope into the office or to a churchwardens which states how much you have given, again clearly marking the envelope 'Manager Parish Building Fund' so we know that is what the donation is for. **Sort code 30-96-73, account number 02328599, account name St John the Baptist PCC. Please put your surname as the reference.** In all these cases, if you pay tax, please fill in a gift aid form so that we can reclaim the tax. It increases your giving by 25% without any additional cost to yourself. Thank you!

NEW FLAT/HOUSE TO RENT NEEDED For a lady and her 23-year-old son. They both work full time. Her landlord for the last 12 years is selling. She requires two bedrooms and a garage, with parking for 3 vehicles. She can afford to pay for several months up front. If you can help, please contact Julia Williams on juliabob1000@gmail.com

ACTS 435 UPDATE We are currently trying to support a young man who was mugged and lost his week's wages. Please copy and paste the following link into your browser to see his story and perhaps help him: <https://www.acts435.org.uk/R69216/> Many thanks! *Janet Green*

PARKING IN KIRKWAY Please be careful if you park in Kirkway on a Sunday morning. Lorries are unable to get by if cars are parked too close to the corner. Many thanks!

USED STAMPS We are now collecting used stamps for a Bone Cancer Charity. Please use the bin at the back of the Church to place any used stamps in. Thank you!

JIGSAWS If you wish to keep a jigsaw for a donation, please do: give donation to the office. Otherwise, borrow jigsaws stored in north aisle, enjoy them and return (note any missing pieces).

OFFERTORY LIST if you would like to take up the offertory on a particular date please let one of the sidespeople know to sign up on the list.

CONTACT DETAILS FOR NEXT OF KIN Do get your next of kin form in. Due to GDPR, it must be signed by you and your named next of kin, so we can store details. *Revd Helen*

PHISHING EMAILS Be vigilant re any emails you receive and do not give out any details, especially bank details, to anyone. Phishing emails often appear from legitimate email addresses, but often when you reply the email address changes. You can forward suspicious emails to report@phishing.gov.uk or <https://www.gov.uk/report-suspicious-emails-websites-phishing>

SERVERS REQUIRED. We need new servers (those who carry candles and the cross during services) and **VERGERS** for funerals and weddings. Let the Vicar know if interested!

PARKING AT THE PARISH HALL If there is room, you are allowed to park but ONLY on church business. Park in a way that uses a genuine space. DO NOT block anyone in nor prevent emergency access to the hall by a vehicle from the gate. Ensure all cars are removed by 12 noon on Wednesdays if you have parked by the fence nearest to church / outside parish hall.

STRICTLY NO ACCESS TO PARISH HALL ITSELF MON TO FRI 7.30am - 6.25pm
No access to the building for any reason whatsoever Mon to Fri 7.30am to 6.25pm. Many thanks.

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**.

AMENDED CORFE MULLEN FOOD BANKS Food donations can be left in the Church Porch Sun 11.30am – 12.15pm. All given to St Nicholas' Corfe Mullen Foodbank for food for

Broadstone individuals & families, and vouchers to Broadstone/ Hillbourne Schools. It's the school holidays, and no school meals, so would appreciate anything you can bring, but are especially in need of **Tinned Tuna, Tinned Tomatoes & Breakfast Cereals**. The Foodbank recently wrote to Revd Helen thanking St John's for our continued support and said the donations from churches are one of the reasons they can keep going in these difficult times. Thank you all so much! 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.

FOR YOUR DIARY

Fri 14th Aug	10am Worship and Spirituality Committee at the vicarage
Fri 14th Aug	1pm Funeral for Sheila Hunter at St John's
Sat 15 th Aug	11am Muddy Church & Baptism Teddy Bears' Picnic
Sun 16 th Aug	8am Holy Communion 10am Parish Eucharist
Tues 18 th Aug	Parish Office Closed – will reopen Tuesday 1 st September
Wed 19 th Aug	10.30am Eucharist
Thurs 20 th Aug	8.45am Morning Prayer in Church
	10am – 12 noon Holy Grounds Coffee Morning
Sun 23 rd Aug	8am Holy Communion 10am Parish Eucharist
Wed 26 th Aug	10.30am Eucharist
Wed 26 th Aug	11am – 3pm Holiday at Home in NorthReach Annexe
Thurs 27 th Aug	8.45am Morning Prayer in Church
	10am – 12 noon Holy Grounds Coffee Morning
Sun 30 th Aug	8am Holy Communion 10am Parish Eucharist
Tues 1 st Sept	9.30am Parish Office Reopens
Tues 1 st Sept	Events Committee in NorthReach
Sun 6 th Sept	8am Holy Communion
	10am Parish Eucharist - Creation in Christ Festival, led by Eco Group
	3pm Wet Nose Sunday!

WEEKLY SERVICES

Sunday Eucharist 8am & 10am

Wednesday Eucharist 10.30am

FURTHER AFIELD

CRAFTY CORNER AT ST ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH HALL 3rd Monday of the month, 2pm – 4pm. Bring a craft – tea and biscuits included.

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.