



WEEKLY NEWS

Creation Sunday, 6th September 2026

Worship

COLLECT: Creation Sunday

Merciful God, your Son came to save us and bore our sins on the cross: may we trust in your mercy and know your love, rejoicing in the righteousness that is ours through Jesus Christ our Lord.

OLD TESTAMENT Ezekiel 33.7-11 **PSALM:** Psalm 119.33-40

NEW TESTAMENT Romans 13.8-end **GOSPEL READING:** Mark 4, 1-20

PRAYERS FOR CHURCHES TOGETHER IN BROADSTONE

At the end of the first week back in school, we hold before you all the children who have moved to a new school, a new class or a new setting. We pray for them and ask that you continue to guide them and to be there for them as they settle into a new way of being. We pray for new friends, and we ask for continued friendship.



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, Michael F

RIP Mike Thornton, Noreen Grigg, Barbara Corbett

YEAR'S MIND Pray for Eileen Iris Wood & Mavis Shearing, whose year's mind falls at this time.

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.

The funeral of Noreen Grigg will be on Friday 9th October, 10.30am at Long Barrow, Harbourview, with refreshments at the Purbeck Tearooms afterwards.

News and Notices

ROOF REPAIRS Scaffolding has been erected around the Church. Please follow any signage.

NEW CLERGY ANNUAL SUMMER LEAVE Revd Helen is on annual leave from 7th September until 22nd Sept, although now likely to be working and in church on Sunday 20th September. Revd Gary will be on his annual retreat from 21st September until the 29th Sept.

NEW HOLIDAY AT HOME DAY NOTE OF THANKS Alan Langford-Brown, kindly put this message of thanks in for all involved in the day. I am writing you today because after I got home from the wonderful 'holiday at home' yesterday, I suddenly realised to my dismay, that no one offered a vote of thanks to all the lovely hard working ladies who worked so hard, and did such a splendid job in making the day so enjoyable for everyone, with the most interesting games, plus all the food, lots of drinks and ice cream, they brought to the tables so promptly. Also many thanks to the Harlees delivery drive who brought the large containers of delicious fish and chips and also the bottled water. I am sure that everyone really enjoyed themselves and had a really lovely day. Therefore we would like to say a big 'Thank you' to everyone involved for all their hard work in making the day such a wonderful success, which was greatly appreciated by all who attended. Thank you - we are all most grateful for giving us all such a lovely day.

CREATION SUNDAY & WET NOSE SUNDAY PET SERVICE As we begin Creationtide, we look forward to our Creation in Christ Festival Service at the 10am on Sunday 6th Sept, 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!

STEWARDSHIP APPEAL As well as September being a month of Creationtide, it is also the time of our annual Stewardship Appeal. Packs will be available to pick up in church **this Sunday**, with our appeal leaflet and letter and Stewardship Sunday itself takes place on Sunday 27th September. Thank you for taking time to read the information in these leaflets. If you are not on the electoral roll, there will be some un-named packs available for you to take. Thank you.

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

AMENDED ST JOHN'S FELLOWSHIP CHANGE OF SPEAKER Unfortunately Brian Petitt, who was to have been our speaker on 10th September, is unwell and cannot come. The subject for the meeting will be changed to "Gardens Worth a Journey". In 1625 Francis Bacon wrote "God Almighty first planted a garden, and indeed it is the purest of human pleasures." Planting a garden may perhaps be a pleasure, but visiting one that someone else had planted is surely a much greater pleasure! We are familiar with our local beautiful gardens, but many of us don't know about the gardens of the surrounding counties. For the past twenty years June and Mike Webber have visited and photographed many fine gardens in Devon, Somerset, Wiltshire and Hampshire. Mike's presentation will show and describe the best of these, and a fact sheet will be available for members to take away. Fellowship members will not want to miss this talk and non-members are welcome on payment of a very small fee. The talk begins at 7.30 on Thursday 10th in the Church Hall.

POOLE-WAU PARTNERSHIP We are delighted to be welcoming Mark Rathbone again to our Sunday services on Sunday 13th September, when he will be coming to talk to us about developments in the Poole-Wau partnership we have. There will be opportunities to give donations to support this important work.

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 HARVEST SUPPER SATURDAY 3RD OCTOBER AT 7PM £12 on sale from this Sunday, either after services or from the Parish office. Children under 12 are free but please still get a ticket, which we will mark down as free (we need numbers). As last year, it will include a Ploughman's Supper followed by Dorset apple cake. If you are Vegetarian, Gluten Free or Dairy Free please tick the appropriate columns by your name when buying your ticket. Or if you have any other dietary requirements, please let Gill Jones know. The entertainment will be by the ever popular "St. John's Got Talent", so please dust off your Singing Voices, Poetry Recitals, Juggling Balls, Ukuleles' or any other hidden talents you may have and sign up to do a turn, it's great fun. Sign-up sheets for all sorts of help during the day and on the night (setting up and down, washing up, serving, baking Apple Cakes) are at the back of church. **As usual, please bring your own drinks and glasses.**

HARVEST FESTIVAL FOOD GIFTS Our Harvest Festival takes place on Sunday 4th October (Our Harvest Supper the night before on Sat 3rd Oct) and once again we are inviting you to bring harvest goods to Wed 30th Sept service or Sunday 4th October service, as all goods

will be taken to Routes to Roots immediately after the 10am on Harvest Sunday. Please bring tinned goods, packet foods etc and ensure everything is in date. Many thanks!

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

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.

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!

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. They appreciate anything you can bring, but are especially in need of **Tinned Ready Meals & 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 4 th Sept	1pm Mike Thornton's Funeral
Sun 6 th Sept	8am Holy Communion 10am Parish Eucharist - Creation in Christ Festival, led by Eco Group 3pm Wet Nose Sunday
Mon 7 th Sept	12 noon Poole-Wau Partnership Prayer Meeting
Wed 9 th Sept	10.30am Eucharist
Thurs 10 th Sept	8.45am Morning Prayer in Church 10am – 12 noon Holy Grounds Coffee Morning 7.30pm St John's Fellowship
Sat 12 th Sept	2pm – 4pm Craft & Chat
Sun 13 th Sept	8am Holy Communion 10am Parish Eucharist - Mark Rathbone from Poole-Wau partnership at both services, followed by Fairtrade.
Wed 16 th Sept	10.30am Eucharist
Thurs 17 th Sept	8.45am Morning Prayer in Church 10am – 12 noon Holy Grounds Coffee Morning
Sat 19 th Sept	10am – 11am Café Breakfast Church
Sun 20 th Sept	8am Holy Communion 10am Parish Eucharist 12 noon Baptism
Wed 23 rd Sept	10.30am Eucharist
Thurs 24 th Sept	8.45am Morning Prayer in Church 10am – 12 noon Holy Grounds Coffee Morning 7.30pm PCC in Large Hall

WEEKLY SERVICES

Sunday Eucharist 8am & 10am

Wednesday Eucharist 10.30am

FURTHER AFIELD

NEW WOMEN'S DAY AT ST NICHOLAS CHURCH Saturday 3rd October 9.30am – 3pm. A day for women to connect with each other and with God. £15 per person. To book a place go to www.parishofcorfemullen.church/threads or contact the Church on 01202 602948.

NEW BOURNEMOUTH WILLIAM TEMPLE ASSOCIATION Mon 5th Oct, Marsham Court Hotel, Bournemouth. Starts 7.40pm but an optional dinner at 6.30pm beforehand.

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.