



WEEKLY NEWS

16th after Trinity, 15th September 2024

Worship

COLLECT: 16th after Trinity

Lord of creation, whose glory is around and within us: open our eyes to your wonders, that we may serve you with reverence and know your peace at our lives' end, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

OLD TESTAMENT: Isaiah 50.4-9a

PSALM: Psalm 116.1- 8

NEW TESTAMENT: James 3.1-12

GOSPEL READING: Mark 8.27- end

PRAYERS FOR CHURCHES TOGETHER IN BROADSTONE

As the Harvest is gathered in, we pray for our local farmers, for the agricultural and fishing industry, for those who help to provide food in our nation. We pray for local growers and food outlets. And we pray for all who visit our Food Banks and rely on their offerings, as well as other agencies which help those in poverty. We pray for an end to poverty.



SICK LIST We pray for Pam T, Denise M, Louise H, Anne W, Debbie C, Vitalia W, Paul S, Margaret S, Lyn T, Ruth M, Audrey B, Nick M

RIP Coral Wilby & Betty Roberts

YEAR'S MIND Pray for John Cornish & Eileen Wood, whose year's mind falls at this time.

News and Notices

OFFICE OPENING HOURS The office is open from 9.30am every Monday, Tuesday and Friday, 10am on Wednesdays and 10.30am on Thursdays. It closes at 1pm every day.

AMENDED ANNUAL LEAVE FOR CLERGY Revd Helen will be back at work from Wed 25th Sept.

LEPROSY MISSION SUNDAY We look forward to welcoming Gabby North to both our 8am and 10am this Sunday, who will share a little about the work they are doing, and how our donation earlier in the year will help to support their work. We also welcome Archdeacon Antony to both services, and he will preside at both.

HOUSE GROUP AT ST JOHN'S Paul Winsworth and Ken Pearce will be leading a new housegroup. This will take place in the NorthReach annexe (or sometimes in church) on a fortnightly basis, start date **Wed 18th September 7.30pm.**

GETTING TO GRIPS WITH THE GOSPELS In the autumn Revd Helen will launch a monthly session looking at our four Gospels. We know they are the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, but who wrote them, who did they write them for? How did they spread? How did they become part of our canon we call the New Testament? What was their context of the day? Together we will explore all this, plus what life was like in 1st century Palestine, which will help to make sense of what we hear and read in church on Sundays week by week. We will explore how we might helpfully approach scripture, and

what we do with those 'difficult bits' we come across! 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: **Saturday 12th October, Sat 9th November**. **Providing there is take-up for this, they will continue with Sat 11th January, Sat 8th Feb, Sat 8th March, Sat 12th April, Sat 3rd May (1 week earlier than usual), no meetings in June or July.**

CAFE BREAKFAST CHURCH Our next Cafe Breakfast Church takes place at 10am on Saturday 21st September. Do come and join us for informal worship, learning, a craft and prayers. And of course, breakfast!

GROUNDS CLEAR UP DAY 28TH SEPTEMBER The Gardening Group are having an "Autumn Clear Up" of the Church Grounds and would ask if anyone would like to join us on Saturday 28th September 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 coffee and biscuits 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 please let me or the Parish Office know you are coming as that would help me with allocating jobs. Many thanks *Ken Pearce*

HEALTH CHECK EVENT Aged 40 – 74? LiveWell Dorset will be delivering free NHS health checks at St John's NorthReach Annexe on Monday 30th September. Here is the link to the booking system <https://www.livewelldorset.co.uk/healthcare-professionals/nhs-health-check-form/>

HARVEST SUPPER AND HARVEST FOOD DONATIONS FOR HARVEST SERVICE We look forward to our Harvest Supper on Saturday 5th October at 7pm. Tickets will cost £10. Please sign up for it, letting us know any allergies or intolerances etc. We ask people to bring their own drinks and glasses. We are running our popular St John's Got Talent, and there is also a sign-up sheet for that. For our Harvest Service on Sunday 6th October, we are asking you to bring food donations which will go straight to Routes to Roots. Please bring your goods to church on Harvest Sunday itself and place it around the altar at the start of the service. If you come on a Wednesday rather than Sunday, please bring it on Wed 2nd October. The following Wednesday will be too late to take the goods down to Routes to Roots as they will go on the Sunday. Thank you!

NEW SIGN UP LIST FOR HARVEST SUPPER HELPERS There will be a sign up list for helpers needed with Harvest Supper at the back of Church. Please help if you can. Thank you!

HARVEST LOAF I am looking for someone to bake a large harvest loaf for use / to eat in the communion on Harvest Sunday. It feels important to offer real bread that day, and is the one time in the year we do that. If anyone is able to also make a small gluten free roll as well, that would be marvellous. *Revd Helen*

CALLING THOSE WHO KNIT I need more knitted red poppies to make some more wreaths to decorate the church for Remembrance Day. Also, Christmas baubles to make wreaths to decorate the church for Christmas! If you need wool, let Caroline know and I can get you some. Thanks *Ann*

HOW WE WELCOME NEWCOMERS Just a little reminder to look out for newcomers and offer welcome, take them through to coffee and sit and chat with them. If you sit at a

'regular table' do keep that open and invite others in or sometimes choose a different table so you get to know more congregation members. Also please continue to be willing to be the person to sit somewhere else if your 'usual' pew is full. Thanks again for all you do in the way of welcome! *Revd Helen*

REMEDY OAK 2024/25! Our dates are as follows: Christmas lunch 2024 - 24th November & Spring/ summer 2025 - 27th April. Please keep these dates in your diary. *Phyl*

SILVER ECO CHURCH AWARD! St John's Church has achieved its Silver Eco Church Award from A Rocha UK in recognition of our efforts to care for God's earth in each of the following areas: Worship and Teaching; Management of Buildings and Land; Community and Global Engagement; Lifestyle. This has involved huge efforts in many areas of our church work and life and from everyone. Thank you especially to Reverend Helen, the Churchwardens (past and present), PCC and everybody who works in any area of St John's because you are all part of this success. Congratulations! With love from the Eco Gang.

VERGERS NEEDED The vicar still needs extra people to be a verger at funerals and weddings at St John's. It is not so different from a sidesperson's duties, though there are a few things to learn. There are always two vergers on at every funeral or wedding, so you won't be alone! If interested, have a word with Revd Helen.

ACTS 435 is a Christian Charity to enable Acts 4.35 to 'bring the money to the apostles to give to those in need.' Donated money is only accessed through advocates connected with a church but helps anybody in need. Advocates post situations on the Acts435 website and within 2 weeks the money is given to the person in need. At the moment we hope to help a newly qualified nurse plug the gap of a month before she her first pay cheque. To help this charity, go on line to acts435.org.uk If you know of someone who needs help, contact janetgreen34@hotmail.com. Many thanks, Janet Green (Acts435 Advocate)

RAISE MONEY FOR ST JOHNS WITH TRUST 130 Ecclesiastical are running a simple promotion to raise funds for Churches. For every new home insurance policy taken out with Ecclesiastical, they'll donate £130 to an Anglican church/cathedral 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 12-4.30pm. All given to St Nicholas' Church Corfe Mullen foodbank who provide food for Broadstone individuals & families, and vouchers to Broadstone / Hillbourne Schools. **They need tinned vegetables & Tomatoes; Jam; tinned Fruit & Cat Food.** 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.

CAR PARKING Please only park for services, to visit the parish office or for meetings.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sat 14 th September	2pm Craft & Chat
Sun 15 th September	8am & 10am Services Leprosy Mission Sunday
Wed 18 th September	House Group begins in NorthReach
Sat 21 st September	Café Breakfast Church
Thurs 26 th September	7.30pm PCC in Large Hall
Fri 27 th September	2pm Worship & Spirituality Meeting in NorthReach
Sun 29 th September	3pm Muddy Church

FURTHER AFIELD

DONATIONS FOR ASYLUM SEEKERS We are appealing for good quality **sandals & trainers** (adult size 6–11). For information call Judith 01202 460162 Mob 07840490525 or drop in donations to Caroline in the Parish Office. *Many thanks.*

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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