

APCM & CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL

Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting will take place on Sunday 29th April immediately following the morning service. This is a very important meeting in the life of our church so please make a note of the date and plan to come along.

If you are not currently a member of St. John's (i.e on our Electoral Roll) and would like to be, please pick up an Electoral Roll Form from the Information Table. When it is completed, please return it to David Johnson, our Electoral Roll Officer, or to Liz King in the Office.

SPONSORED WALK - Jill Harris is taking part in a sponsored walk on Saturday 17th March raising funds for BCCS (Bromley Community Counselling Service) who have lost vital funding recently. BCCS provide support to people who need long-term counselling for a range of life difficulties and who find it hard to access counselling they can afford. Their counselling service is provided by around 60 professionally-trained volunteer counsellors, and as such are a vital counselling charity in the Borough. Please support Jill if you can. You can access her fundraising page on JustGiving.com (go to Jill Harris BCCS). There is also a sponsor form on the Information Table where you will also be able to sponsor Jill. Finally, if you happen to shop in Waitrose, Bromley, BCCS are one of the nominated charities throughout February, so look for your green disc and help by posting it in their box. Thank you.

EASTER EGGS

The Bookstall now has The Real Easter Egg is stock and will be on sale on the table at the back of the church. £3.95 for the milk chocolate version which is 5p cheaper than Tesco and £5.50 for the dark chocolate version which is not available in the shops.



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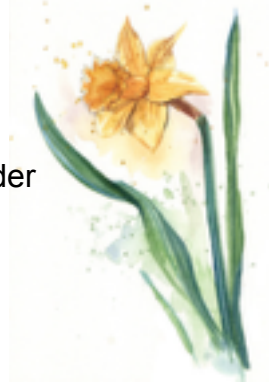
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News & Notices**11th March 2018**

A very warm welcome to you all, especially if you are new to St. John's or you are just visiting - we are delighted to have you with us. Refreshments will be served after the service so do please stay and join us for coffee/tea.

Sunday 11th March - Mothering Sunday

10.00 am **All Age Worship** - Rev'd Liz Lander
**Sharing my story - Zach Winn,
Millie Smith and Alice Bedford**
Reading: Joshua 1 v 7 - 9

**Wednesday 14th March**

11.15 am **Holy Communion** - Rev'd Liz Lander

Sunday 18th March

10.00 am **Holy Communion** - Rev'd Scott Smith
Sharing my story
Readings:

Special Prayer for Mothering Sunday

*Loving God,
as a mother feeds her children at the breast
you feed us in this sacrament with the food and drink of eternal life:
help us who have tasted your goodness
to grow in grace within the household of faith;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen*

If you would like prayer today - please speak to the person leading the service who will find someone to pray with you.

Monday 12th March

- 2.00 pm FOCUS - A history of old Bromley
- 8.00 pm CYFA
- 8.00 pm Homegroups

Tuesday 13th March

- 10.00 am The Ark
- 8.00 pm Homegroups

Wednesday 14th March

- 11.15 am Holy Communion
- 12.30 pm LINK
- 1.30 pm Art Class
- 2.00 pm Exercise class for all ages and abilities
- 7.30pm ALPHA
- 8.00 pm Homegroups

Friday 16th March

- 8.45 am Parish Prayers

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- Celeste Hitching
- Ron Jepp
- Marion Bradbury
- Jim Cruse
- Nancy Day
- Joan Jones
- Keith Shelley
- Paul Allen
- Joyce Foulger
- Alan Abbott
- Margaret Murrell
- Stan Elsey
- Rod Bassett
- Essie Grives

We were very sad to hear that Kit Grant died recently. Please pray for the family at this difficult time. Kit's funeral will be on Tuesday 27th March.

Please also remember in your prayers the families of Ken Fisher and Margaret Brown whose funerals take place this week.

Special prayer topics

- People going out to work
- Residents in Rawlings Close

Today we pray for the persecuted church in



Algeria

- That the government would be more open towards Christians and would acknowledge their rights as lawful citizens
- For protection for Christians who are persecuted by their families, that they would be able to love and forgive those who persecute them
- Praise God that the Algerian church continues to grow despite persecution!

The Traidcraft stall will be open this morning after the Morning Service. Please come and pick up your fairly traded goods.

FOCUS on 19th March - You are invited to join us for our monthly Focus lunch meeting at 1.00 pm on Monday 19th March. We'll be having a 'Fish & Chip' lunch together before we welcome Neil Peters who will be coming along to tell us about his work with the Samaritans organisation. If you would like to join us - please do speak to Liz King so that we can order your food. All are welcome!

GT's (Growing together) are holding an meeting on Tuesday 27th March from 10.00 am - 2.00 pm in the Lounge Room (includes a sandwich lunch). GT's is our group for the 'more mature' and whatever our age we have so much to give and receive from each other and this meeting gives us the opportunity to meet people and to work as part of the extended family of St. John's to help people along their own particular journey. We have a list of those who have attended in the past and have sent an invitation but if you have not received yours or would like to come then everyone of any age is welcome. Do please speak to Liz King who will have spare invitations.

Maundy Thursday Meal (29th March). We will be joining together in Easter week for a fellowship meal on Maundy Thursday evening. Please sign the list on the Board in the coffee area if you would like to join us. All are welcome.



Roy Newman would like to thank everyone who helped last Tuesday with the Thanksgiving Service for Jane. "So many volunteers worked so hard on Tuesday and I'd like to thank them all".

Please remember Roy and the family in your prayers as they continue to mourn the loss of Jane.

If you would like to leave a message in the Book of Condolence, you can find it on the table near the Information board.

WALK OF WITNESS on Good Friday.

CTiB are looking for volunteers willing to act as stewards on Friday 30th March. You will be needed immediately after the service at St. Edmonds, Village Way. The service starts at 11am and then at 11.15 we walk to St George's Green (this year probably via The Drive to avoid congestion with the on-going road works) for a short open-air service. If you are able to help, please can you contact Julia Johnson by email: juliajohnson127@talktalk.net