



WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER : Friday 2nd March at 2.00 pm. St. George's Church in High Street Beckenham will be hosting this service which is open to all churches in Beckenham. The service has been prepared by the Christian women of Suriname and is on the theme "**All God's Creation is Very Good**". All are welcome and there will be light refreshments served after the service.

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.

A congregation member has a good quality dining room table and four chairs that they would like to find a good home for. Please contact the Church office and they will put you in touch.

A member of the congregation has a close relative anxious to rent a room in the area. If you have a spare room and would like to consider taking in a lodger please contact the office and they will ask the person concerned to call you.

CAN YOU HELP? We are missing a number of items from the main kitchen, i.e. two round tablecloths, white lasagne dish, plastic containers, stainless steel serving spoons. If you have borrowed any of these items, or might have seen them somewhere on site, please can you let Sue Rogers know. May thanks

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Office Hours: Mon, Weds, Thurs & Fri 9.00 am -1.00 pm **CLOSED TUESDAYS**

News & Notices

25th February 2017

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 25th February

10.00 am **Morning Worship** - Rev'd Scott Smith
Sharing my story - Azuka Agbai

Readings: Jeremiah 29: 4 - 14 and Ephesians 2: 1 - 10

3.30 pm



*Lots of crafts and fun activities.
Suitable for families with young children.*

Wednesday 28th February

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

Sunday 4th March

10.00 am **Holy Communion** - Rev'd Liz Lander
Sharing my story

Readings: tbc

Special Prayer for the second Sunday of Lent

*Almighty God,
you see that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves:
keep us both outwardly in our bodies,
and inwardly in our souls;
that we may be defended from all adversities
which may happen to the body,
and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul;
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 26th February

- 2.00 pm FOCUS Musical Memories (History of popular music) with David Gann
- 8.00 pm CYFA
- 8.00 pm Homegroups

Tuesday 27th February

- 10.00 am The Ark
- 8.00 pm Homegroups

Wednesday 28th February

- 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 2nd March

- 8.45 am Parish Prayers

Saturday 3rd March

- 7.30 pm **Charity Concert** (see note opposite)

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- Celeste Hitching
- Ron Jepp
- Brenda Tyndall
- Margaret Murrell
- Marion Bradbury
- Joyce Foulger
- Rod Bassett
- Nancy Day
- Alan Abbott (stepson of Carole)
- Joan Jones
- Keith Shelley
- Stan Elsey
- Paul Allen
- Jim Cruse
- Viola Rollinson
- Essie Grives

Special prayer topics

- Children and young people in our community
- Residents in Oakfield Gardens



Today we pray for the persecuted church in
Central African Republic

- Ask God to change the hearts of the violent extremists who are targeting Christians and turn them to Himself
- That persecuted believers will know God's faithfulness, peace and provision
- For wisdom for pastors as they minister to their church members.



CHARITY CONCERT - Saturday 3rd March at 7.30 pm

We look forward to welcoming Bromley Concert Band and Sol Community Choir at our annual Charity Concert which this year will be in support of Christians Against Poverty. Please make a note of the date and plan to come along and join us for this enjoyable evening of musical entertainment!

A 'Service of Thanksgiving' in celebration Jane Newman's life will take place on Tuesday 6th March at 12.30 pm here at St. John's to which you are warmly invited. In church today, you will find a Book of Condolence for Jane. If you would like to leave a message for the family, do please take a moment to add your memories of Jane.

We were very sad to hear that Ken Fisher, Jeanette's husband, passed away suddenly on Tuesday 13th February. Please remember Jeanette and her family in your prayers as they comes to terms with this unexpected loss. Ken's funeral will be on Thursday 15th March

We have also heard that Margaret, mother of Tiffany Birch has died in hospital following a heart procedure. Please pray for Tiffany, Martin and the family at this difficult time. Margaret's funeral will be on Tuesday 13th March.



There will be a **Fairtrade coffee morning** on Saturday 10th March from 10 - 12 with Fairtrade teas and coffees and lots of cake. There will also be a Traidcraft stall. All money raised will go to Traidcraft Exchange's Hidden Entrepreneurs Appeal which helps some of the world's poorest people and all donations will be doubled by the government. We do hope you will be able to come along.

Diocese of Rochester - Leap of Faith is an invitation to all women who want a weekend away to take time out and come closer to God whilst having a bit of fun in the process. This will be "Leap of Faith's" fifth year and it's a chance for women from across the whole Diocese to come together in fellowship, faith, fun and friendship led by Canon Jean Kerr. De Vere Beaumont Hotel in Old Windsor on 15th - 17th June. Cost is around £200 (depending on numbers) For booking details please email: helen.steden@gmail.com