

Louise Savage is supporting the Hunger Project by living on £1 a day during Lent. The Hunger Project is a global organisation committed to the sustainable end of world hunger, empowering people in both developing and developed countries to build a just world where everybody can fulfil their potential and build lives of self-reliance and dignity. If you are able to support Louise by donating to the Hunger Project, please go to her fundraising page on Just Giving. Thank you.

www.justgiving.com/fundraising/louise-savage3

Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting will take place on Thursday 20th April at 8.00 pm. 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.

There are three vacancies on PCC for 3 years; four vacancies on Deanery Synod for 3 years, two Church Wardens for 1 year; and our Sidespeople will be re-elected.

If you would like to find out more about what is involved being a member of PCC or Deanery Synod please do speak to our Churchwardens or Liz King (Administrator). Also, if you have ever thought about taking on a role as one of our Sidespeople, then again, please speak to Liz King. All people nominated must read the forms before signing them. Pam Gann our PCC Secretary holds the New Diocese 2017 handbook on Church Representation Rules if anyone has a question about the various positions.

TOY TRAIN SHOW Sat 1st April : 10 - 5 pm at St. John's.



Come along to St. John's on 1st April to see working layouts from the golden era of toys trains (1920 to 1980). Lots of working layouts with amazing attention to every detail of buildings and landscapes. Vintage Toy Train Dealers will also be displaying their wares. Adults £5 and Children (up to 14) are free with an adult. Do come along and see these amazing layouts. Refreshments also available. For more details check out their website: Beckenham & West Wickham Model Railway Club (www.bwwmrc.co.uk)

Refreshments

Refreshments will be served on Sunday 2nd April by members of Grant Bones' group.



Vicar: Rev'd Liz Lander ☎ 8650 6110 ✉ landerliz@yahoo.co.uk (Liz's day off is Saturday)

Associate Vicar: Rev'd Scott Smith ☎ 8289 4819 ✉ smithscott@hotmail.com (Scott's day off is Friday)

Churchwardens: Julia Lewis ☎ 8462 3508 and Tony Peters ☎ 8402 1876

Church Office: Liz King ☎ 8650 3515 ✉ office@sjep.org Website: www.sjep.org

Office Hours: Mon, Weds, Thurs & Fri 8.00 am-4.00 pm **CLOSED TUESDAYS**

News & Notices

26th March 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 26th March - Mothering Sunday

10.00 am All Age Worship - Fi Nichols

NO EVENING SERVICE

Wednesday 29th March

11.15 am Holy Communion - Rev'd Liz Lander

Sunday 2nd April

10.00 am Holy Communion - Rev'd Scott Smith
Listening - *Our daily bread*

6.30 pm Hour of Prayer & Worship - Rev'd Scott Smith

Special Prayer for Mothering Sunday

God of love,

passionate and strong,

tender and careful:

watch over us and hold us

all the days of our life;

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 27th March

- 12.30 pm LINK Cafe
2.00 pm Focus - 'Conquering Machu Pechu!' with Lorna Pearce.

Tuesday 28th March

- 10.00 am The ARK
7.30 pm CTiB Lent Course

Wednesday 29th March

- 9.00 am Parish Prayers
11.15 am Holy Communion
12.30 pm LINK Lunch - (*don't forget to book your lunch in advance*)
1.30 pm Art Class - Beginners welcome
2.00 pm Exercise class for all ages and abilities
5.30 pm Kingfishers
7.30 pm Alpha

Friday 31st March

- 8.45 am Parish Prayers

Please pray for:

- *Clive Porthouse - in Guys Hospital and very unwell. Pray also for Marion and the family at this very difficult time.*
- *Pat Freeman*
- *Alasdair Cameron*
- *Brenda Webb (Becky James mum)*
- *Nancy Day*
- *Brian & Rosemary Clayton*
- *Jane Newman*
- *Paul Allen*
- *Graham Mountford*
- *Henry Kirkman (Elizabeth Wycherley's dad) in hospital.*

You may have heard last Sunday that Les Marshall passed away peacefully in hospital. Please pray for Eileen and the family as they mourn his passing. Les' funeral will take place on Monday 3rd April, 1.30 pm at Beckenham Crematorium.

Please continue to pray for Ruth Meakins' and family following the death of her brother Wendimew in Ethiopia.

We are also very sad to hear that Celia Mills' daughter Janet has died. Please do remember Celia and the extended family at this difficult time.

Special prayer topics

- Children and young people in our community
- Residents who live in Stone Park Avenue

EMERGENCY APPEAL - Today our collection will be going to support The DEC emergency appeal in response to the crisis looming across East Africa. Drought and conflict have left 16 million people on the brink of starvation and in urgent need of food, water and medical treatment. You may have already responded personally to this Appeal but if you would like to give to the Appeal, please place your cash offering in the collection bag. Envelopes will be also be available in order that you can Gift Aid your donation. If you wish to make a donation by cheque, please make them payable to: **DEC East Africa Appeal**. Please be praying for this terrible situation and thank you for our support.

MAUNDY THURSDAY SUPPER - During Holy Week we will be getting together to enjoy a Fellowship Meal on Maundy Thursday evening at 7.00 pm. The meal will be followed by a simple act of Communion, sharing bread and wine. Please sign up if you would like to join us for the meal in order that we can work out numbers for catering purposes. There is a list on the Board in the coffee area.

EASTER 24/7 PRAYER - If you did not receive a leaflet last week, do pick up a spare one from the Notice Board in the Coffee area giving more information about our Easter 24/7 Prayer event which will take place from 3.00 pm on Good Friday and run through to 10.00 am on Easter Sunday. We would love people to sign up and commit to '1 hour' of prayer in our dedicated 'Prayer Room' which will be set up in our side Chapel. Please take time to read the leaflet and prayerfully consider if you would like to sign up to join us for this special extended time of prayer.

WALK OF WITNESS - Good Friday (14th April)

The Walk of Witness on Good Friday will start with a short service at St. Edmunds on Village way at 11.00 am and then the procession will go along the High Street and up to Beckenham Green next to St. George's Church. We are looking for people willing to act as road stewards, keeping people safe on the walk. If you are able to volunteer for this task, please do speak to Julia Johnson who will be able to give you some more information. Thank you.



EASTER AT ST. JOHN'S

- Palm Sunday (9th April) Morning Worship at 10.00 am
Maundy Thursday Supper at 7.00 pm
Good Friday Walk of Witness at 11.00 am (St. Edmunds)
Good Friday 'Around the Cross' at 2.00 pm
Easter 24/7 Prayer (from Good Friday to Easter Sunday)
Easter Sunday - Family Communion - 10.00am