



Christian Aid week 13 to 19 May

“Christian Aid week this year runs from 13 to 19 May. Once again I am looking for volunteers to help deliver and collect envelopes around our parish. This is a really valuable way in which we can serve Christ and bear witness to His love for the poorest people in our world, with the focus this year on the ongoing work with victims of the 2010 earthquake and 2016 hurricane in Haiti. If you have helped deliver or collect envelopes in the past, thank you, and an even bigger thank you if you can help again. If you have never done this before, then please do consider it. It would be good if we could match last year's total of around £2000. If you would like to volunteer or would like further information please speak to me after the service or on 0208 776 2676”. Martin Bedford

FOODBANK - Just a reminder that our food bank collections are still happening and continue throughout the year. Please try to remember to pick up an extra packet or tin when you shop. All dried goods including rice, pasta, sugar etc. Tea bags, coffee, breakfast cereals, toiletries and personal hygiene items are welcome as well as laundry items, bin liners etc. Thank you all so much for your continued support with this service.

PARISH DELIVERIES - There are still a few gaps in our list of roads where our parish leaflets and flyers are delivered. There are only about 25 - 30 houses in a pack and deliveries happen around 3 to 4 years so if you think you can help occasionally, please do take a look at the list which you will find in the coffee area.

NEW ROTAS for Wardens, Deputies, Sidespersons, Communion Assistants, Computer etc. are available now for the period May to August 2018. These are available on the website.

Vicar: Rev'd Liz Lander ☎ 8650 6110 ✉ landerliz@yahoo.co.uk (Liz's day off is Thursday)
Associate Vicar: Rev'd Scott Smith ☎ 8289 4819 ✉ smithscott@hotmail.com (Scott's day off is Friday)
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News & Notices

29th April 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 29th April

10.00 am Morning Worship - Rev'd Liz Lander
APCM

To be followed by a Fellowship Lunch
(see inside for more details)

Wednesday 2nd May

11.15 am Holy Communion - Rev'd Liz Lander

Sunday 6th May

10.00 am All Age Worship - Fi Nichols

Special Prayer for the fifth Sunday of Easter


*Eternal God,
whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life:
grant us to walk in his way,
to rejoice in his truth,
and to share his risen life;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.
Amen*

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

Monday 30th April

- 2.00 pm Focus - a musical afternoon with Christine Bates, pianist and percussionist
- 8.00pm CYFA

Tuesday 1st May

- 10.00 am The Ark - playgroup for parents/carers with babies and toddlers
- 8.00 pm  Central Prayer in the Lounge

Wednesday 2nd May

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

Friday 4th May

- 8.45 am Parish Prayers

Please pray for:

- Brian Clayton recovering from a bad fall
- Joyce Foulger
- Ron Jepp
- Celeste Hitching
- Joan Jones
- Paul Allen
- Jim Cruse
- Stan Elsey
- Rod Bassett
- Ena Persaud and her son Dennis
- Essie Grives
- Marion Bradbury
- Nancy Day

We were very sad to hear of the death of Keith Shelley who lost his long battle with cancer on Tuesday 24th April.

Please remember Catherine and the extended family in your prayers at this difficult time.

Following the Service of Thanksgiving for Julia Johnson on Friday, please remember David, Julia's mum Sylvia and sister Kaye in your prayers as they come to terms with their loss.

A Book of Condolence for Julia is available in church today. Please take a moment to add your memories of Julia.

APCM

Today our Annual Parochial Church Meeting will take place immediately following the morning service. This is a very important meeting in the life of our church so please do try to stay. We will also join together for a Light Fellowship Lunch, over in the Meeting Room, of Homemade Soups, Bread, fruit, etc. before winding up the meeting. Everyone is welcome.

We have two vacancies on the PCC for Church Wardens, who are elected annually, and three vacancies for PCC members, who serve for a minimum of three years.

There are also two vacancies on Deanery Synod for two years. Deanery Synod representatives also serve on the PCC.

Any nominations must be handed to Pam Gann **BEFORE** the meeting starts. There is also a form for Sidespeople - please could you sign if you would like to continue, or add your name and signature if you would like to be one.



CENTRAL PRAYER in the Lounge this Tuesday 1st May at 8.00 pm

Each month we pray for our community and for God's world that, 'His will be done on earth as in heaven.' Come and join us each month as we pray together, listen together and engage with God's heart for Eden Park and beyond.

LINK – Our community cafe facility is in need of a **temporary** waitress on alternative Wednesday lunchtimes. If you think you can help - please speak to Judith Parry

Special prayer topics

- Older people at home - retired people
- Residents in Tonge Close



Today we pray for the persecuted church in

KAZAKHSTAN

- For comfort and strength for those who have been beaten and imprisoned for leaving Islam
- That God will change the hearts of government authorities who seek to suppress or eradicate Christianity
- For protection and peace for Christian leaders who are under surveillance