



FLOWER ARRANGING - Starting on Thursday 5th October (7.00 pm). A four week course for anyone who loves to arrange flowers, or, would like to learn a little more. Beginners also welcome! If you are interested in joining this course, please contact Pat Freeman by email: patriciafreeman1938@gmail.com

DO YOU LIKE TO SING?

St.Paul's Community Choir in New Beckenham will be performing Vivaldi's "Gloria" on Sunday 19th November at 4.00 p.m. Rehearsals start on Thursday 7th September at 7.30 p.m. in the church room next to the church. There are no auditions or subscriptions - just a small cost to cover some of the music. New members are always welcome. Further details from David Storey (8663 9441).

FOOD BANK - The Food Bank is continuing to run throughout the summer so please try to remember to bring your donations which are all gratefully received. Dried and tinned goods, laundry products, toiletries etc. all donations welcome.

LINK - Just a reminder that LINK will not operate on Mondays from now on but we would invite people to join in with the monthly FOCUS lunch which will be held on the 3rd Monday of the month commencing in September.

LINK on Wednesdays will continue as usual but from September they will also be providing home-made soup, filled sandwiches and rolls, salads, jacket potatoes, fruit and ice-cream. It will not be necessary to order these items in advance so do feel free to just turn up on the day. Set lunches can still be ordered in advance.

Refreshments

Refreshments will be served on Sunday 10th September by members of Judith Parry's group.



News & Notices

3rd September 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 3rd September - CYPECS Presentations

10.00 am All Age Worship - Rev'd Liz Lander
A Meal of Promise
 Reading: Luke 24: 35 - 43 (NLT)

6.30 pm Hour of Prayer - Rev'd Scott Smith

Wednesday 6th September

11.15 am Holy Communion - Rev'd Liz Lander

Sunday 10th September

10.00 am Holy Communion - Rev'd Liz Lander
Vision Sunday
 (see note inside)

6.00 pm Confirmation Service at St. John's Penge

Special Prayer for thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

*Almighty God,
 you search us and know us:
 may we rely on you in strength
 and rest on you in weakness,
 now and in all our days;
 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

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**

Monday 4th September

2.00 pm FOCUS - with Rev'd Scott Smith

Wednesday 6th September

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 8th September

8.45 am Parish Prayers

Please pray for:

- Joan Jones
- Jim Cruse - recovering from a stroke in the PRUH.
- Alan Abbott (stepson of Carole)
- Graham Kembey
- Stan Elsey
- Keith Shelley
- Kit Grant
- Brenda Webb (Becky James mum)
- Brian & Rosemary Clayton
- Jane Newman
- Paul Allen
- Essie Grives

Our thoughts and prayer are with Steve & Suzy Terry and family, following the death of Steve's father recently.

Special prayer topics

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



Today we pray for the persecuted church in

Iran

- *That the laws of Iran will change to allow for freedom of religion*
- *For comfort for imprisoned Christians in Iran, and that God will give them love for their captors*
- *For many Muslim families, it is a great disgrace when one of its members leaves Islam.*
- *Pray for protection and provision for Christians who have been cursed and disowned by their families*

Welcome to our service of All Age Worship

Our young people are part of the band this morning and will lead us in a celebration of thanksgiving for all our young people and those who work with the various groups. Those children who are moving up to new groups will be receiving a gift in recognition of their progress.

VISION SUNDAY - (10th September)

Next Sunday as we head into a new church academic year we will be thinking about the direction God may be calling us and our focus for the coming year. Do make this a priority and come along next Sunday



CHURCH WALK

Today (3rd September) we invite you to join us on the Nash Circular Walk. 4 miles starting from Heathfield Road car park, Keston, BR2 6BA. Starting at 2pm. All are very welcome to join us. Michael & Claire Dullaway

CONFIRMATION SERVICE

Next Sunday evening (10th September) at 6.00 pm there will be Confirmation Service at St. John's, Penge with Bishop James. We are delighted that Charlie Terry is being confirmed at this service. Do pray for him as he takes this next step on his journey of faith.

ORDINATION SERVICE

On Saturday 30th September, Jef Foulger, our former Churchwarden and long time member of St. John's will be ordained as Deacon in a service at Rochester Cathedral, conducted by Bishop James. Jef will commence his ministry as Curate at St. Barnabas in Beckenham from the 1st October. The Ordination service at Rochester Cathedral will be at 3.00 pm. It is a ticket entry service although there will be some general admittance available should you wish to attend the service.

Please be praying for Jef and for Julia as he prepares for this amazing new chapter in his life!