

"Paul's Path" - a concert for the future.

A concert will be taking place on Sunday 9th April at 7.30 pm at The Bob Hope Theatre in Eltham organised by friends of Paul Allen, to raise funds for a garden project which will allow Paul to enjoy the outside area when he comes home. Paul as many of you will know, suffered a catastrophic stroke nearly 5 years ago which has left him severely physically disabled. Liz has been working really hard getting the bungalow adapted to allow Paul to finally come home. Tickets (£11.50) for this concert are available from the Box Office 0208 850 3702 or online at www.bobhopetheatre.co.uk.

Link Cafe - opening on Mondays

The Link Cafe will now be open on the Mondays Focus meets from 20th February. It will be open from 12.30 - 1.30pm and offer homemade soup, rolls and jacket potatoes. There will be no need to book in advance.

Link Lunch on Wednesdays will run as before with a set lunch booked in advance.

FOODBANK COLLECTIONS

Don't forget your regular donations of groceries etc., for our Food Bank. all the usual goods are needed: Tea, Coffee, Sugar, Squash, Pasta, Rice, Tinned Vegetables and Fruit, Cereals, Biscuits. Also toiletries and laundry items. Thank you all so much for your help with the Food Bank.

The Bookstall now has The Real Easter Egg in 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.



Refreshments

Refreshments will be served on Sunday 12th March by members of Gill Newman's group.



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

News & Notices

5th 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 5th March

10.00 am Morning Worship - Rev'd Scott Smith

Perseverance - *Your will be done*

Isaiah 55: 1 - 11 and Matthew 26: 36 - 39

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

Wednesday 8th March

11.15 am Holy Communion - Rev'd Liz Lander

Sunday 12th March

10.00 am Holy Communion - Rev'd Liz Lander

Perseverance - *Your will be done*

3.30 pm



Especially for families with younger children. Lots of crafts, activities, music, Bible story and afternoon tea!

Special Prayer for Sunday next before Lent

Holy God,

you know the disorder of our sinful lives:

set straight our crooked hearts,

and bend our wills to love your goodness

and your glory

in 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 6th March

- 12.30 pm LINK Cafe - no need to book (see note overleaf)
2.00 pm Focus - Jef Foulger 'Following the call'

Tuesday 7th March

- 10.00 am The ARK
7.30 pm CTiB Lent Course - see opposite for details.

Wednesday 8th 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
7.30 pm Alpha (See note opposite)

Friday 10th March

- 8.45 am Parish Prayers

Please pray for:

- *Alasdair Cameron*
- *Les Marshall (in the PRUH) and Eileen currently staying with her daughter.*
- *Mark Watson*
- *Clive Porthouse*
- *Judy Bedford*
- *Margaret Murrell*
- *Wilf Orton*
- *Brian & Rosemary Clayton*
- *Jane Newman*
- *Graham Mountford*
- *Paul Allen*
- *Keith Shelley*
- *Essie Grives*

Special prayer topics

- People going out to work
- Residents who live in South Eden Park Road

Our Vicar Liz is on holiday today. Working as normal next week.

CHURCH WALK TODAY! The walk is 4 miles and starts from Tent Peg Lane car park, off Crest View Drive, Petts Wood, BR5 1BY (208 bus route). We will meet in the car park at 1.45 pm for a 2.00 pm start. Please contact Claire Dullaway (07817847497) if attending or for more information.



CTiB Lent Course will be taking place here at St. John's on the following dates: Tuesdays 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th March and 4th April.

If you have already booked your place then we look forward to seeing you on Tuesday evening at 7.30 pm

The format of the evening is as follows:

- 7.30 pm Arrival, coffee and fellowship
- 8.00 pm Welcome and opening worship
- 8.10 pm - 9.00 pm Lent Course Workshops
- 9.00 pm - 9.15 pm Closing worship

If you haven't booked your place but would like to join in with the Lent Course, please speak to Liz King or Julia Johnson as soon as possible so that your name can be added to the list for the Workshops which are as follows:

1. **Come and Sing 'Messiah' choruses** led by David Storey
2. **Exploring the Bible through Art** led by Chris McShane
3. **Franciscan Spirituality** led by Tina Kelsey
4. **The Lord's Prayer** led by Maggie Wilkinson & Andrew Jones
5. **Decisions, decisions** led by Neil Draisey

TRAINING IN PRAYER MINISTRY - Saturday 1st April & 13th May at St. Mary's, Wyndham Place, London W1. 9.45am for coffee, 10.15am-1.15pm This training is for those who want to learn how to pray for other people in the power of the spirit. Each session involves a time of worship, teaching about the theology of ministry and a chance to give it a go. The two dates will include different teaching so it is recommended attending both. There are a few people from St. John's attending this Training. If you feel this is something you would be interested in, please speak to Liz or Scott who will be able to give you more details.

APCM - 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.

Nomination Forms and further information regarding elected positions on PCC and Deanery Synod will be available from next Sunday 11th March.