

The Traidcraft stall will be open on 15th July for all your fairly traded goods.



**KNITTING WOOL** - Do you have any knitting wool that you are happy to donate to our regular knitters. All donations will be very welcome.

### Items urgently needed at the foodbank

The Living Well foodbank has been giving out around 160 bags of food a week to people in need in Penge and the surrounding area. The food bank is running low on stocks. The main things they require are tinned soups, meat and veg. Also toiletries. But any donations are always gratefully received. One item that is causing major problems is plastic bags. As supermarkets now charge for them we do not get anywhere near enough to cope. So have a clear-out and any surplus send our way. Thank you.

**The Ark** - a lovely photo taken with staff team at The Ark at the end of another busy year, with some of the children who are leaving to go on to school.

Pictured are (l to r): Hayley, Emily, Angela, Helen, Sue, Pat, Eileen, Claire and Jackie.



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## News & Notices

8th July 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 8th July

10.00 am **Morning Worship** - Mark & Sarah Newnham (MAF)  
Readings: Titus 2:11 - 14 and 2 Corinthians 12: 6 -10

3.30 pm



Suitable for families with young children  
Lots of Messy fun and activities, with  
BBQ and ice cream!!

### Wednesday 11th July

11.15 am **Holy Communion** - Rev'd Scott Smith

### Sunday 15th July

10.00 am **Holy Communion** - Dave Hitching  
**Galatians**  
Readings: Galatians 3: 26 - 4: 7 and John 8: 31 - 47

### Special Prayer for the sixth Sunday of Trinity

God of our pilgrimage,  
you have led us to the living water:  
refresh and sustain us  
as we go forward on our journey,  
in the name of 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 9th July

2.00 pm Focus  
 8.00 pm Homegroups

### Tuesday 10th July

10.00 am The Ark  
 8.00 pm Homegroups

### Wednesday 11th July

11.15 am Holy Communion  
 12.30 pm LINK  
 1.30 pm Art Class  
 2.00 pm Exercise class for all ages and abilities  
 5.30 pm Kingfishers  
 8.00 pm Homegroups

### Friday 13th July

8.45 am Parish Prayers

#### *Please pray for:*

- Brian Clayton      - Nancy Day      - Celia Mills
- Joyce Foulger      - Essie Grives      - Jim Cruse
- Ron Jepp      - Celeste Hitching      - Paul Allen
- Vivien Catherall
- Steve and Vicky Wood (John & Christine's son and daughter in law) and their unborn baby.

*Percy, Thelma and Dennis Persaud would like to thank everyone for their cards, phone calls, visits and prayerful support following the death of Ena in June. Ena's funeral and Service of Thanksgiving took place earlier this week and was a fitting tribute to a very special lady. A Book of Condolence is available on the table for any who would like to leave a message or memory of Ena.*

### Prayer topics

- People going out to work
- People who live in Barts Close

Today we pray for the persecuted church in



### SOMALIA

- For Jesus' followers who cannot meet openly; pray for protection as they meet in secret groups to learn about Him
- Give thanks that many Muslims are seeking God; ask Him to draw many to Himself
- That the Lord will build His kingdom in the midst of Islamic and tribal oppression, organised corruption and crime.

*We extend a warm welcome to Mark & Sarah Newnham who are joining us this morning. Mark & Sarah work for MAF (Mission Aviation Fellowship and are currently based in Liberia.*

### *60th Wedding Anniversary celebrations!*

*We are delighted to share the news that Tony & Vivien Catherall and also Eileen and John Timms will be celebrating their Diamond Wedding Anniversaries this coming week on the 12th July. Congratulations to both couples.*



### **Setting the Captives Free - Why has slavery become rife in modern society, particularly the UK?**

Slavery has been expanding rapidly in the UK. The official estimate is 13,000 slaves but the true figure is probably much larger. Its growth has been encouraged by changes in the world of work; many people have short term contracts with flexible working patterns. There is a demand for cheap labour, often in areas such as agriculture where British people are unwilling to work although of course many people working on farms are not victims of modern slavery. On top of this many people have become indifferent and do not notice what is going on around them. Please pick up a copy of the report on Modern Slavery that is available today.

**ANNOUNCEMENT** - For those of you who were not in church on Sunday 24th June, Liz made the following announcement.

*"I have some happy and sad news to announce. Last week I was interviewed for the post of School Chaplain in Alleyns school in Dulwich and have accepted it. I will also be attached to St Barnabas Church in Dulwich. This is surprising and unexpected news as I was not looking for a move. Several unusual coincidences occurred that led me to hear about the post and to apply for it. I do believe that God is in this move which has also been confirmed by my family. It is a difficult announcement to make because I have loved being in ministry at St John's and will find it both hard and sad to leave. But I am excited at the prospect of ministering in a school community amongst so many people who would not normally set foot inside a church. My last Sunday will be 2nd December. Do get in contact if you'd like to chat or know more about the details."*

### **Focus Summer Garden party**

Monday 16th July at 1.00 pm

A Hot/Cold Buffet lunch

followed by some fun activities  
and finishing with tea and scones!

All are welcome.

Please speak to Liz King or Astra Peters.

