



MODEL RAILSHOW - Saturday 28th October -

here at St. John's Church & Halls. 10.00 am - 5.00 pm. Do come along and see the amazing transformation of the space in church filled with model railway layouts. Up to 18 working layouts will be displayed - many representing well known areas and landmarks. The halls will also have trains and Model Railways Societies. Refreshments also available. Entry: Adults £6 Concessions £5 Child £4 Family £12

FOOD BANK - The Food Bank continues to run and needs your support 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.

CHRISTIANS AGAINST POVERTY (CAP) are hosting their annual London Dinner. The venue is Old Billingsgate, London, EC3. The date is Saturday 25th of November, from 7.15pm. The tickets are free, but please bear in mind that this is a fundraising event. For more details please contact Rachel Williams on 07804 596226. Thank you.

CLERGY DAYS OFF

Please note that Rev'd Liz Lander will now be having Thursdays as her day off. Rev'd Scott Smith will continue to have Fridays as his day off.

Office Hours are also changing. Office contact hours are now 9.00 am - 1.00 pm. Mon, Weds, Thurs, Fri. Office is closed on Tuesdays.

Refreshments

Refreshments will be served on Sunday 15th October by members of Claire Dullaway's group.



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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Office Hours: Mon, Weds, Thurs & Fri 9.00 am -1.00 pm **CLOSED TUESDAYS**

News & Notices

8th October 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 8th October

10.00 am Holy Communion - Rev'd Scott Smith
What Christians believe?

Readings: John 14: 16 - 27 and Acts 2: 1-6, 12-21

6.30 pm **Hour of Prayer** : Rev'd Scott Smith

Wednesday 11th October

11.15 am Holy Communion - Rev'd Liz Lander

Sunday 15th October

10.00 am Morning Worship - Rev'd Liz Lander
How can I be saved?
Luke 18: 18 - 30 and Revelation 3: 14 - 20

3.30 pm **Messy Church** - Fun for families with crafts, activities, music and afternoon tea to share! All are welcome - do come along and join us.

Special Prayer for seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Gracious God,

you call us to fullness of life:

deliver us from unbelief

and banish our anxieties

with the liberating love 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 October

- 2.00 pm FOCUS - Community Payback - Lisa Whitley (see note opposite)
- 8.00 am Homegroups

Tuesday 10th October

- 10.00 am The Ark
- 8.00 am Homegroups

Wednesday 11th October

- 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 (see note on back page)
- 8.00 am Homegroups

Friday 13th October

- 8.45 am Parish Prayers

Please pray for:

- Norma Swinfen - recovering from surgery in Croydon University Hospital
- Hilary Cameron
- Alan Abbott (stepson of Carole)
- Graham Kembey
- Jim Cruse
- Jane Newman
- Paul Allen
- Brian & Rosemary Clayton
- Stan Elsey
- Keith Shelley
- Kit Grant
- Essie Grives
- Joan Jones

Special prayer topics

- Children and young people in our community
- Residents who live in Crossways Road



Today we pray for the persecuted church in
Maldives

- That God would enable secret believers to meet together safely and have access to the Bible.
- For Maldivian people to have dreams and visions of Jesus, and be led to believers who will be bold enough to share the gospel with them.
- Discipleship is a challenge because of security issues - pray that Maldivian Christians would grow in their faith.

A very big thank you to everyone for the support at last week's Harvest Service and Fellowship Lunch focusing on TEAR FUND. A total of £1629.64 was collected and will be going to support the work of Tear Fund in some of the most poorest communities.

FOCUS - Monday 9th October at 2.00 pm - We will be joined by Lisa Whitley who is the Manager of Community Payback Teams for the Probation Service. We currently have a team working here at St. John's on Thursdays and they have completed some tasks already on site and have made great improvements to various areas. Lisa will be coming along to tell us how the programme works in helping with the rehabilitation of offenders. All are welcome to come along and hear about this important work.

FOCUS - Monday 16th October at 1.00 pm - Focus will be having lunch together at 1.00 pm and we will be joined by Tim Scott as he comes to tell us his story following a devastating accident that left him in a wheelchair. Tim now works for the charity 'Back Up' who support people like himself who have suffered spinal cord injuries. The charity aims to inspire people like Tim to get the most out of life. If you would like to join us for lunch and to hear Tim speak, please do contact Liz King or Astra Peters. All are welcome to join us for lunch or to come along to hear Tim at 2.00 pm.

Churches Together in Beckenham - Be part of the local Christian community - come to the Churches Together in Beckenham AGM, find out more of what is going on and join in planning the future. Rachel Williams from Christians against Poverty will also give a presentation. Monday 9th October, 7.30 for 8pm, at St Paul's Brackley Road BR3 1RB.



ADVANCE NOTICE - This year we will be holding a Christmas Craft Fair on **Saturday 9th December** from 1.00 - 4.00 pm. With 'Stay & Play' for families and afternoon tea & carol singing. This will be a *'Here for Good'* event with lots of opportunities to invite members of our local community, family and friends. More details about this event coming soon but please make a note of the date.