

## ST. JOHN'S DIARY OF EVENTS 2012

The new diary of events for 2012 is available. Please pick up your copy from the Information Table. (look for the yellow sheet). It will also be available on the website: [www.sjep.org](http://www.sjep.org)

### WARM CLOTHING FOR LCM

We are once again supporting the work of London City Mission with homeless people at the Webber Street Centre in Waterloo. We are collecting coats, blankets and other casual men's clothes. New or used. You can now find out more about the work at Webber Street, and a full list of what they require, at [www.webberstreet.org](http://www.webberstreet.org) Please see Tim Sowter for more information or if you would like to make a donation.

**Need some help?** If you started to read the Bible and were put off by something like the book of Numbers, come and talk to Jenny and John in the Bookstall. We have several examples of bible reading notes that can help you.

**PRAYER ROTA:** If you are part of the intercessions ministry, Jane Newman asks that you please check your email, as the new prayer leaders rota has now been sent out.

**CHRISTMAS CARDS** - Please, please look in the boxes in the lobby. There are still lots of cards to be collected and we do not want you to miss out on your Christmas greetings!

**SERMON SERIES** - The new Sermon Series leaflet is available today which covers the period January to April 2012. The leaflet gives the title and themes of both morning and evening services for that period. Please pick up your copy from the Information Table.



**COFFEE TEAM ROTA:** *The new coffee Team Rota will be available soon but can I take this opportunity to thank all those involved for their continued help with the valuable service - it is very much appreciated by all. If you are not involved in a coffee team, but are willing to help on an occasional basis, please do speak to me. Many thanks everyone. Liz King*

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# St John's

## News & Notices for week commencing: **Sunday 1st January 2012**

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 in church after the service this morning .

### Sunday 1st January

10.00 am All Age Worship - Alison Rose  
"Looking into the New Year"  
Isaiah 49: 1-7

6.30 pm No Evening Service

### Wednesday 4th January

10.45 am Holy Communion - Rev'd Nick Lang

### Sunday 8th January

10.00 am Holy Communion - Rev'd Nick Lang  
"The poor in spirit"  
1 Corinthians 1: 26-31 and Matthew 5: 1-3

6.30 pm Evening Worship - Alasdair Cameron  
Isaiah: 42: 1-9 and Ephesians 2: 1-10.

### *Special Prayer for the first Sunday of Christmas*

God in Trinity,  
eternal unity of perfect love:  
gather the nations to be one family,  
and draw us into your holy life  
through the birth of Emmanuel,  
our Lord Jesus Christ.  
Amen

Is there something you would like to pray about today?  
Someone will be available to pray with you after each service..

## Wednesday 4th January

9.15 am Parish Prayers  
10.45 am Holy Communion in the Chapel

## Friday 6th January

8.45 am Parish Prayers

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### **Please pray for –**

- ◆ *Matt King (in hospital)*
- ◆ *Nancy Day (in hospital)*
- ◆ *Nina Clark*
- ◆ *David & Joyce Overington*
- ◆ *Jane Newman*
- ◆ *Vivienne Catherall*
- ◆ *Florence Elsey*
- ◆ *Jane Mercer (Stan & Flo's daughter)*
- ◆ *John & Helen Kilford*
- ◆ *Chris Clayton*
- ◆ *Anna Lloyd*
- ◆ *Kate James (cousin of Julia Lewis) in hospital with pneumonia and a collapsed lung*
- ◆ *John Corcoran (Becky Sowter's father)*

We are sorry to announce the death of Hubert Pryce on 26th December. Hubert and his wife Joyce worshipped here for many years. After Joyce died Hubert was helped to church but as he got frail he was unable to get here. He lived at home until the last few days when he went into hospital. We remember him and his daughter Maggie and son Graham. His funeral will be at Beckenham Crematorium at 10.30 on 10th January, followed by a service of thanksgiving in church at 11.15.

**PARISH PRAYERS** : Resume on Wednesday this week at 9.15am. Normally weekly 8.45 am on Mondays and Fridays and 9.15 am on Wednesdays.

**CLERGY BREAKS** - *Liz Lander will be away from 30th Dec - 7th Jan. Nick will be away from 11th - 23rd January.*

#### **Special prayer topics:**

- ◆ *Residents of Crossways Road*
- ◆ *Older people at home - retired people*

## **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity - 18th-25th January**

As always the week of prayer starts on 18th January and ends on 25th. This year there will be four services in the Beckenham area.

Wed 18th Jan St Edmunds in Village Way @ 12.30  
Sun 22nd Jan St Paul's Brackley Road @ 4pm  
Mon 23rd Jan Beckenham Methodist Church @ 1.15  
Wed 25th Jan Avenue Road Baptist Church @ 8pm

This is a week followed by Christians around the world coming together irrespective of denomination to pray for unity among Christians. There is a faithful band of pray-ers in the Beckenham churches who attend one or more of these services each year. It would be good if some of us might be able to swell the numbers this year.

**NEW COMMUNION ASSISTANTS** - *a reminder to those who have been invited to serve as assistants at Holy Communion for the next 2 years - there will be a practice session with Nick and Elizabeth after our morning service on 8th January.*

**Cornerstone** - There will be a very important meeting of the PCC on 10th January to consider the way forward on Cornerstone. Please pray for the PCC...for clarity of thinking, wisdom and sound judgement.

**Please Note:** Homegroups in January will be meeting on the 17th and 31st January (due to PCC Meetings taking place on 10th & 24th).

**PAMPERED CHEF FUNDRAISING EVENT** - *Come and have fun, sample some recipes and help raise money for Cornerstone at the same time! Plus you'll see how easy it is to prepare a simple recipe that produces amazing results in no time at all, and learn a few tips and tricks to improve your cooking skills. There will also be a wide variety of kitchen products to purchase from the Pampered Chef range.*

**When? Friday 13<sup>th</sup> January 8pm** **Where? St John's Small Hall**  
Feel free to spread the word and bring as many friends as you like!  
15% of all orders placed will go to Cornerstone

If you want to know more, please contact Emily Bones 8402 7933

**TRADCRAFT STALL** - The Traidcraft stall will be open on 8th January. Do please go along and pick up your fairly traded goods.