



**Well done!** to Anthony, Matt & Michael Clayton who completed the London 10K Run last Sunday. Anthony completed the course in 1 hr 18 mins raising about £120 for Cornerstone. Matt's time was 54 mins and he was raising funds for Oasis UK and Michael's time was 1 hr 2 mins. It's not too late to add to Anthony's Fundraising efforts, so do speak to him and don't forget to give him a pat on the back!

## SERMON SERIES

The next Sermon Series leaflet is out today. It covers Sundays from the beginning of August to end of November.

- During August the morning themes will be around how God uses ordinary people for extraordinary purposes.
- On August evenings we will explore five "I am" sayings of Jesus from John's gospel.
- In September we will start a series of sermons on Sunday mornings dealing with the church. What is it? What isn't it? What is it called to be and to do?
- In the evenings we shall begin an exploration of 'church' through the book of Revelation as we look at the messages to the seven churches.

The Sermon Series leaflet can be found on the Information Table

**BAPTISM** - *We are beginning to plan and prepare for a baptism service in church on Sunday 20th September. If you have not been baptised and would like to talk about it, please contact Nick. This is not infant baptism but a service for people who are able to express their faith themselves. It could be an opportunity too, for anyone who, although baptised as an infant, would like to profess their living faith for themselves. Please talk to Nick.*

### Some dates for your diary:

Tuesdays in August - Hour of Prayer in the Small Hall  
 Sunday 6th September - CYPECS Commissioning Service  
 Saturday 12th September - Kids '2' Kids Sale (Speak to Hayley for more info.)  
 Saturday 19th September - Men's Viewpoint Breakfast  
 Tuesday 15th September - PCC Meeting  
 Saturday 26th September - Harvest Supper  
 Sunday 27th September - Harvest Festival

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# St John's

Church for Eden Park

## News & Notices for week commencing Sunday 19th July 2009

A very warm welcome to our Services today. Please stay for refreshments after the morning service which will be available at the top end of the church and also brought around on trays. A hearing aid loop is available in all areas of the church.

### Sunday 19th July

10.00 am Morning Worship - Rev'd Nick Lang  
**"Faith in testing times"**  
 Exodus 2: 1 - 10

6.30 pm Informal Service in the Small Hall with Holy Communion - Canon David Overington and Rev'd Nick Lang will lead a reflection on **"Mission for Justice"**

### Wednesday 22nd July

10.45 am Holy Communion - Canon David Overington

### Sunday 26th July

10.00 am Holy Communion - Phil Sheldrake  
**Does God have perfect timing**  
 Exodus 2: 11 - 25

6.30 pm Evening Worship - Dr. David Plummer  
**What is your mission?**  
 1 Corinthians 12: 12 - 26 and Luke 10: 1 - 9

### Special prayer for the 6th Sunday after Trinity

Creator God,  
 you made us all in your image:  
 may we discern you in all that we see,  
 and serve you in all that we do;  
 through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
 Amen

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

**Monday 20th July**

8.45 am Parish Prayers  
10.30 am The LINK – coffee followed by lunch from 12 noon  
2.30 pm Women’s Focus - End of Year Garden Party

**Tuesday 21st July**

8.00 pm PCC Meeting - Middle Hall

**Wednesday 22nd July**

9.15 am Parish Prayers  
10.45 am Holy Communion in the Chapel  
10.30 am The LINK – coffee followed by lunch from 12 noon

**Friday 23rd July**

8.45 am Parish Prayers

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***Please pray for –***

- ◆ *Chris Clayton and for his wife Sue.*
- ◆ *Felix Nettey*
- ◆ *Billy Beauchamp in St Christopher's*
- ◆ *Michael Jones (who lives in Ernest Grove)*

*Margaret Murrell would like to thank everyone for their prayers for Lucy, her Great Niece. May Lucy's healing continue successfully - her family are so very grateful for our prayers.*

*Some of our congregation will remember Gillian and Reg Emans who were here in the time of Clive Porthouse. They moved to the Canterbury area. We have heard that Reg died recently. His funeral has taken place this week. Should anyone wish to contact Gillian her address is held in the church office.*

**Mission Prayer Meeting** will take place tonight after the evening service in the Small Hall.

**PCC Meeting** - Will all members of PCC please note that the next meeting will be held on Tuesday 21st July at 8.00 pm in the Middle Hall

***Special prayer topics:***

- ◆ *Residents of Overstand Close*
- ◆ *Older people at home - retired people*

**SAMS** - Today, our loose collections will go to support the work of the South America Mission Society and our link with Tim Curtis, working in Bible translation in Paraguay. Thank you for your support.

***Congratulations!*** to Florrie Symons (Pam Gann’s mother) who celebrated her 100th birthday this week. We pray that she continues to keep well as she celebrates with family and friends this wonderful milestone!



***Congratulations!*** to Emily Newman (daughter of Jane & Roy) who married Jon Henderson yesterday in Ash, near Guildford. Our love and prayers are with Emily and Jon as they start married life together.

**NICK & MAUREEN AWAY** - Nick & Maureen will be away on holiday from 22 July - 8 August. Pastoral care during Nick’s absence will be as follows: 22-24 July Fi Nichols, 25 -1 Aug Diana White 2 - 8 Aug Fi Nichols. We pray that Nick & Maureen might have a safe and restful time away.

**SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL** - Following the tradition of previous summers, our 'Summer Sermon Series' starts on 19th July running until 30th August. We will also be running the same themes in our 'Summer Sunday School' over these seven Sundays for **ages 3 - 7**. For children over 7 years, activity sheets will be available in church.

**HOMEGROUPS:** Thank you to everyone who has submitted their Reply Slip regarding their preference to Homegroups. These will be worked over the next couple of weeks and details of the new arrangements will be displayed in church in the second half of August.

**CHURCH CHAIRS:** Take a look at the re-upholstered chairs in the centre blocks of the church. We are well on our way to completing the re-upholstering work. They look good and they should certainly feel more comfortable!