

A very "BIG THANK YOU" to everyone who contributed to the planning and running of St. John's Weekend. The entire weekend was a great success right from the children's event on the Friday evening through to the last strawberry eaten on Sunday afternoon. We were blessed with good weather and had lots of visitors, family and friends to enjoy our celebrations with us. Proceeds from the Summer Fair will go to Cornerstone.

**RUNNING FOR CORNERSTONE** - Anthony Clayton is taking part in the London 10k Run on 12th July. He is raising funds for Cornerstone and you can support sponsor Anthony by going to his Just Giving page on: [www.justgiving.com/antsclayton](http://www.justgiving.com/antsclayton) or speak to Anthony direct. **Good luck Ants!**

**SHORT MAT BOWLS** - Open House are meeting this Wednesday 8th July at 2.00 pm for a session of Short Mat Bowls in the Large Hall. This is their last meeting of the term so if you would like to come along and have a go at bowls, or even come and watch and enjoy the company, then you will be most welcome. Please contact David White or Ruth Plummer if you are interested in coming along.

**BAPTISM** - *We are beginning to plan and prepare for a baptism service in church on Sept 20th. 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. Talk to Nick.*

**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.*

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## News & Notices for week commencing Sunday 5th 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 5th July

- 8.00 am Holy Communion - Rev'd Nick Lang
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**Finishing the race**  
Hebrews 12: 1 - 3 & 18 - 29 and Luke 12: 1 - 9
- 6.30 pm Evening Worship - Roger Clarke  
**What to say?**  
Acts 10: 34 - 44

### Wednesday 8th July

- 10.45 am Holy Communion - Rev'd Nick Lang

### Sunday 12th July

- 10.00 am All Age Worship - Phil Sheldrake  
**CYPECS End of Year Service**
- 6.30 pm Evening Worship - Alison Rose  
**"Jesus said" - the story of the wise and foolish builders**  
Matthew 7: 24 - 29

### Special prayer for the 4th Sunday after Trinity

*Gracious Father,  
by the obedience of Jesus  
you brought salvation to our wayward world:  
draw us into harmony with your will,  
that we may find all things restored in him,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ.  
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 6th July**

8.45 am Parish Prayers  
10.30 am The LINK – coffee followed by lunch from 12 noon  
2.30 pm Women's Focus - with Phil Sheldrake  
7.30 pm CYFA

### **Tuesday 7th July**

10.00 am The Ark  
8.00 pm 1st Tuesday

### **Wednesday 8th 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  
2.00 pm OPEN HOUSE - Short Mat Bowls  
5.30 pm Kingfishers  
6.30 pm Kestrels

### **Friday 10th 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*
- ◆ *Lucy Murrell (Margaret's Great Niece)*
- ◆ *Michael Jones (who lives in Ernest Grove)*

*Martin Castle who was a member here at St. John's a few years ago, is to be ordained today at Leicester Cathedral. Please remember Martin, his wife Becca and baby son Nathan (6mths) in your prayers as he embarks on his ministry.*

***CAMPING WEEKEND - please remember members of our congregation who are away at present on the Camping Weekend in Bexhill. Please pray for safety, for good fellowship and lots of fun together!***

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

- ◆ *Residents of Monks Orchard Road*
- ◆ *Homemakers - those caring for families at home*

**THIS MORNING** - we will be praying with and for Carol Morrison as she leaves to go to her new church in Bexley, as she prepares for ordination in September.

**1st TUESDAY** - We will be meeting for first Tuesday prayers and Bible study together in small hall at 8.00 pm. All are welcome

**NEXT SUNDAY (12th July)** - Will be our end of year CYPECS Service. Please join us as we celebrate with our young people who are moving up into new groups and also as we have a chance to thank Phil Sheldrake for all his work over the past year with our young people.

**TRADCRAFT STALL - OPEN TODAY** - After the morning service Judy & Martin will be opening the Traidcraft stall for all your fairly traded goods including, tea, coffee, chocolate, biscuits and lots more.

**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: The next stage**

If you have not caught up with notices about Home Groups there are still leaflets and reply slips available on the Information Table. These are inviting people to say if they wish to join a Home Group, or, if already a member, there preferences with regard to existing homegroups. When you have completed the form please place it in the box by the door.

#### Important notes

- ◆ If anyone feels that they would like the opportunity to lead, or perhaps co-lead a group, then please talk to Nick.
- ◆ if anyone would like to offer their home as a potential Homegroup venue, particularly if that will help the parents of young children to attend themselves, then please talk to David White.

You may have already filled in your slip but if not, please complete a slip and list your preferences. Thank you.