

### Amazing Grace - Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 7:30 - 10:00pm

You can now purchase tickets for this production (£7.50) online via the St John's website or from Janice Bradford who has a limited number available. It promises to be a very special musical depicting John Newton's life-changing testimony of how God turned a slave dealer into a loving Christian man.

Janice's mobile 07765 661648

### Active Kids Vouchers

If you shop at Sainsbury's, please accept any Active Kids vouchers you are offered. We will be collecting them at church and sharing them between the Primary Academy and Mundella Primary School. There will be a collection box at each church venue.

### Important Dates for your Diary

*Ladies' Afternoon Tea* at The Grand, Saturday 5 March, 3:30pm.

Tea £5 or Cake and Coffee £4. Please see or contact Jenny Hubbard (phone 07875 166284) or Claire Coleman (phone 07530 719517).

*Our Easter Family Fun Day*, Saturday 26 March, 2 - 4.30pm Volunteers needed.

See David Donald or Alison Pemberton

*APCM - Annual Parochial Church Meeting*, Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> April, 10:00am - 12:00 noon in the church hall.

### St John's has a Cricket Team!

We play roughly 5 games a year, and are currently holding bi-weekly cricket nets at the Three Hills Sports Centre on a Friday to remind us which end of a cricket bat to hold! Any level accepted, all centered around fun. The dates booked so far are February 26, March 11, April 15. If you would like more information please contact Peter Taylor on 07811044550 or [peter.taylor67@hotmail.com](mailto:peter.taylor67@hotmail.com)

### Rainbow Knit-In

I have now received the date for the Rainbow Knit-In for 2016. It will be Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March at 1:45pm at the United Reformed Church. If you are interested in helping to make up a team of knitters or just want to know more, please see me. Phoebe Moffatt

### Women's World Day of Prayer - 4<sup>th</sup> March

The theme this year is, "Receive Children, Receive Me" with a focus on Cuba. There are three services being held locally, 11:00am Folkestone Baptist Church (coffee from 10:30am), 2:30pm St Andrew's Cheriton and 8:00pm Sandgate Road, Methodist.

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# Get Connected

## Welcome to St John's!

Whether you're a regular or it's your first time here, we're very pleased to see you. If you'd like to find out more about St John's and what we get up to do pick up a Welcome Pack from the back and please stay for coffee and a chat at the end of the service.

## In our services this morning:

**09:15 All Stars in the Hall**

Waiting for God

**09:15 Holy Communion at GTH**

and

**10:45 Morning Worship in Church**

Jesus heals and preaches in Galilee

## This evening:

**18:00 Pause for Prayer in the Hall**

"The spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to release the oppressed....." Luke 4:18, 19 NIV



## What's on this week.....

<b>Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February</b> House Group Week	<b>Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February</b>
8:30am Morning Prayer Church Hall	
7:30pm PCC	
<b>Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> February</b>
8:30am Staff Meeting Church Hall	8:30am Morning Prayer Church Hall
10:00am Taylor Toddlers Grace Taylor Hall	9:15am Open the Book Rehearsal
2:00pm Primetime Church Hall	1:15pm Twiglets (Toddler Group) Church Hall
4:00pm Shooting Stars Church Hall	7:45pm Choir & Musicians Practice
7:30pm Prayer team meeting Church Hall (upstairs)	
<b>Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> February</b>
1:00pm All Stars Team Meeting	
5:00pm Brownies Church Hall	
Winter Shelter Church Hall	
<b>Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> February - Morning</b>	<b>Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> February - Evening</b>
9:15am Morning Worship Grace Taylor Hall	6:00pm Pause for Prayer Church Hall
9:15am All Stars in Church Hall	7:00pm 20s & 30s Group Church Hall
10:45am Morning Worship & Baptism in Church	

### Spotlight on ... a hot date and a nought-y birthday!



Thirteen of St John's men got together for a hot date last week – a curry night at Cheriton's *Prince of India* restaurant. As usual, they had a seriously good time with lots of laughs, a few beers and a good meal. They also took the opportunity to celebrate Steve Hyde's big and nought-y birthday. Curry and chocolate cake – what's not to like? If that's your kind of night out, contact David Donald on 240857.



### Alpha Course

If you have never heard of, or experienced, The Alpha Course then you may wish to consider being part of ours this year! It is an 11 week course where people can explore and find out all they want to know about the Christian faith in a safe, comfortable environment. Starting with a meal, we then have a teaching session and after that break into smaller groups for discussion and questions (no question is too small, large, easy or difficult). People at different stages of faith can attend, from atheists or people who are searching, to people who have attended church and been a Christian for years.

It is a great opportunity to get all the foundational knowledge and learn new things as well as meet new people.

The course will be run by Steve and Janice Bradford (our vicar and his wife) together with a couple of other familiar faces.

The first session will be on Wednesday 13th April starting at 7pm and ending at about 9.30pm - it will end on Wednesday July 13th - it will also include one full Saturday in May.

If you feel you would like to be a part of this then please call or email Steve or Janice. Tel:211037 Email: [stevejbradford@btinternet.com](mailto:stevejbradford@btinternet.com)