

### PCC Elections

If you would like to stand for election to the Parochial Church Council please speak to the vicar or one of the church wardens. The elections will take place at the Annual Church Meeting on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> April. To stand for election you must be on the Electoral Roll of St John's Parish.

If you have not already received a copy of the green Get Connected Extra about the APCM and the revision of the Electoral Roll please pick up a copy from the table at each service venue. Application forms to go on the Roll are also available on the tables.

### Worship@6

Following the decision of the PCC to merge Pause for Prayer and Powerhouse, the merged meeting will be known in future as Worship@6, with effect from Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April. Worship@6 will offer a variety of formats which will be advertised in Get Connected. These will be an hour in length on a Sunday evening between 6-7pm. The first Sunday of each month will be a time for prayer when we can all come together to pray for the needs of our church, the world and each other.

### Prayer Vigil - Palm Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> March

This will take place in the church from 7:00 - 10:00pm (There will be no Pause for Prayer). It will be an opportunity for personal prayer and reflection with appropriate readings on the theme of "I am, I am here" at half hour intervals. Music will be played in the background and there will be candles to light if you wish. Members of the prayer team will be on hand in the prayer corner if you would like to be prayed for. Please feel free to come and go as you wish.

### Thank you

Amalan sends his warmest thanks to St John's for their kind gift at Christmas.

### Easter Flowers

We will be decorating the church for Easter. If you would like to make a contribution towards the cost of the flowers there will be a plate for your gifts on the font after the service today and next Sunday. Thank you. Jill O'Neill.

### Good Friday Crosses Walk

We still need a few more stewards. Please let Fr Jamie Houghton know at [jamesrhougton@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:jamesrhougton@hotmail.co.uk). Thank you to those who have already offered. I have passed on your names to Jamie. Also if anybody can help get the crosses and equipment up the hill earlier on Good Friday please let Josh Carter know at [info@joshingaround.net](mailto:info@joshingaround.net) Thank you. Martin Jewitt.

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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**  
Loving to the end

**09:15 Morning Worship at GTH**  
and

**10:45 Holy Communion in Church**  
Beginning of Passiontide

## This evening:

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

Jesus said, "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this all men will know that you are my disciples..."  
John 13:34, 35 NIV



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

<b>Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March</b> Homegroup week	<b>Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March</b>
8:30am Morning Prayer Church Hall	
<b>Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> March</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 Easter break
2:00pm Primetime Church Hall	1:15pm Twiglets (Toddler Group) Church Hall
4:00pm Shooting Stars Church Hall	7:45pm Choir & Musicians Practice
<b>Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> March</b>
1:00pm All Stars Team Meeting	8:30am Men's Breakfast at Suna
5:30pm Brownies Church Hall	
<b>Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> March - Morning Palm Sunday</b>	<b>Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> March - Evening</b>
9:15am Holy Communion Grace Taylor Hall	7:00pm Prayer Vigil in Church
9:15am All Stars in Church hall	7:00pm 20s & 30s Group Church Hall
10:45am Morning Worship in Church	

### Spotlight on...family-friendly worship on Sunday mornings



Newcomers are always welcome when our All Stars meet together at 9.15 on Sunday mornings for a short, interactive worship session in the Church Hall, where singing, dancing, teaching, learning, colouring-in and games are all play a part. Last Sunday, the theme 'Waiting for God', was illustrated by a game of pass-the-parcel, when everyone had to wait their turn to open the wrapping to find a chocolate coin and a message when the music stopped.



### Last Supper Communion & Passover Meal' Church Hall 18:30, Maundy Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> March 2016

This combination of Jewish Passover/Last Supper meal, and Communion service is a great way to prepare for Easter, to deepen our understanding of Communion, and to enjoy a fellowship meal together. The Jewish Passover is a full family meal, and like any family celebration is for all ages, and specifically features the child who asks 'The Questions' and a 'treasure hunt' for the *Afikomen*.

As this is a family occasion the meal will be a DIY 'Bring & Share' (new health and safety regulations require all food ingredients to be listed), though enough wine for the '4 cups' and all the special 'Passover' food items will be provided. N.B. we still need volunteer bakers to make matzos. Please sign up now as numbers have to be limited - the list is at the back of church. Questions (& matzo baking offers) to Carole Jewitt, Frances Morgan, Jill O'Neill or Richard Pamplin.

### Easter Cards and badges

Available on the bookstall. Please put all donations for these into the bookstall money slot. All proceeds to St John's. Marj Frances