

Worship@6

Worship@6 this evening is in the hall as usual.

Thank You

Thank you to everyone who gave so generously towards the flowers for Harvest.
Jill O'Neill

Getting to Grips with the Bible

Due to the numbers that have expressed interest in attending the Old Testament course the venue will be St John's Church. The course begins on Wednesday 12th October at 7:30pm. If you wish to take notes please bring a pen and paper. Handouts will be provided.

House Group Notes

If you are not part of a house group but would like a copy of the notes you can be added to the circulation list or, for those without email, there are always hard copies in the green tray at the back of church. Ruth Jones

The Annual Walk the Wall for ICC (International China Concern)

This is taking place on 15th October starting at the Grand Hotel Burstin at 11am. We shall be walking 10k. It is suitable for pushchairs and dogs are allowed! Please come and join us. It would be lovely to have your company and no sponsorship is required. We are hoping to finish the walk with fish and chips by the sea.

Thank you so much to everyone who supported the recent Beetle Drive run by Prime Time. £312 was raised.

Love in a Box

I have now received the information and leaflets for the Love In A Box. If you are interested in filling a box or helping to fill a box by donating items could you please let me know and I will see that you get a leaflet. The date they will be collecting them from me is the 14th November so I will need them by Sunday 13th November at the latest. The children who receive these boxes at Christmas really appreciate them. I hope to be back in church soon. Thank you. Phoebe Moffatt

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Sunday 9th October 2016
20th Sunday after Trinity

Get Connected

Welcome to St John's!

We warmly welcome you if you are visiting us today. If you would like to know more about the life of St John's do collect a welcome pack, available at all our services. At our 10:45am service you can go to our Welcome Desk near the door where someone will be able to give you a Welcome Pack and answer any questions you may have.

Refreshments are available in the Church Hall after the All Stars and 10:45am services. Do join us for coffee and a chat.

Mission Aviation Fellowship Sunday

Next Sunday we shall join with many other churches in celebrating the work of MAF by joining in their Day of Prayer. Over many years St John's has had a close link with MAF and supported its work financially.

The aim of MAF is 'to see isolated people physically and spiritually transformed in the name of Jesus.' MAF reaches out to some of the most remote people on earth: people who are cut off from the outside world by mountains, deserts or jungles; people who cannot receive the basic essentials of life because of disaster or war; and communities without access to medical supplies, food, education or the Gospel. MAF has been operating for over 70 years and currently has an aircraft taking off every three to four minutes, somewhere in the world.

In our services will hear short testimonies from people whose lives have been changed because of MAF. We will each be able to take away a leaflet about its work and a bookmark that will remind us to pray. If you would like to know more please speak to Alex Finlow, who works for MAF and will be our speaker at the 10:45 service next Sunday (you can listen to this by downloading his talk from our website).

Steve Bradford

What's on this week.....

Monday 10th October Home Group Week 8:30am Morning Prayer, Church Hall 2:00pm Ladies' Spirituality Group, Vicarage - <i>no meeting this week</i>	Tuesday 11th October
Wednesday 12th October 8:30am Morning Prayer 9:00am Staff Meeting, Church Hall 10:00am Taylor Toddlers, Grace Taylor Hall 2:00pm Primetime 4:00pm Shooting Stars, Church Hall	Thursday 13th October 9:15am Open the Book Assembly 1:15pm Twiglets (Toddler Group), Church Hall 7:00pm On Fizz (Youth Group), Grace Taylor Hall 7:45pm Choir & Musicians Practice
Friday 14th October 1:00pm All Stars Team Meeting 5:30pm Brownies 7:15 Rangers	Saturday 15th October 11:00am Walk for ICC
Sunday 16th October - Morning 9:15am Holy Communion, Grace Taylor Hall 9:15 All Stars - Worship for All Ages, Church Hall 10:45am Morning Worship in Church	Sunday 16th October - Evening 6:00pm Worship@6, Church Hall 7:15pm Sunday Nighters, Church Hall

Spotlight on ... guitarist Steve professes his Franciscan vow



After six months as an 'enquirer' and two and a half years as a novice, our music group guitarist Steve Harding has formally professed his Franciscan vow.

He was supported at the ceremony in the Franciscan Chapel at Canterbury on Saturday by his wife Mary, friends and family, as he became an official member of the Third Order of the Society of St Francis.

A familiar face around Folkestone where he works as a taxi driver, Steve said: "It's all about living a simple and more disciplined life. I have a structured quiet time of prayer every day now and meet regularly with other members. It helps me keep my life under control. Of course, I still make mistakes but this approach has really deepened my relationship with God and that's got to be good."

Interested? Find out more at www.tssf.org.uk, or ask Steve at church on Sunday.



Synopsis of PCC Meeting

At the PCC meeting of 26th September 2016, members agreed the minutes of the meetings of 25th July and then discussed the following:

- Future developments of St John's prayer and healing ministry
- The removal of the pews by the bookstall
- The need to attend to the maintenance of the South Clerestory Windows
- Donations were agreed to Foodstop and Love Light Romania following appeals in church services
- The ongoing children's and young people's work
- A possible Parish Weekend away

The full agreed minutes will be available after the meeting on 24th October.