



Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2017  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Lent

### Worship@6

An opportunity to meet together, sing and pray for all that we do as we try to reach out to our community and make Jesus known.

### PCC Elections

If you would like to stand for election to the Parochial Church Council and/or Deanery Synod please speak to the Vicar or one of the Church Wardens. The elections will take place at the Annual Church Meeting on Saturday 1st 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.

### Ladies' Spirituality Course

Monday mornings from 10:00am - 12:00noon, 6<sup>th</sup> March - 10<sup>th</sup> April inclusive. The venue will be the vicarage. The course will be led by Janice Bradford. The only requirements are to purchase "Sacred Pathways" by Gary Thomas (£10) and a willingness to chat. If interested please contact Janice on 07765 661648.

### Rainbow Knit-In

The sponsored Knit-In for the Rainbow Centre will be on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March at 1:45pm at the United Reformed Church. All you need is a pair of No 8 (4mm) needles and to knit for approximately 1½ hours. Wool will be provided. If you wish to participate please see me. Phoebe Moffatt

### Men@StJ

Our next *breakfasts* at the 'Captain's Table' will be at 8:30am on 18<sup>th</sup> March and 22<sup>nd</sup> April.

A *curry night* is also planned for 30<sup>th</sup> March at 'The Prince of India' in Cheriton. The 'Eat as much as you like' buffet is £8.95 per person. Please let David Donald know if you are interested in coming to any of these events. Contact details in the Church Directory.

### Active Kids Vouchers

If you shop at Sainsbury's please accept the school tokens as we are collecting them again for the Primary Academy and Mundella schools. There will be collection boxes at each service venue. Thank you.

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# Get Connected

## Welcome to St John's!

We warmly welcome you if you are visiting us today. Please make yourself known to us and 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.

## Christian Hospitality

We all have a responsibility to show Christian Hospitality to visitors, newcomers and even each other. It is one of many ways we can grow as disciples of Jesus. Here are some thoughts on how we might do this:

- Welcome everyone you meet but particularly those you don't know or recognise. Share your time, energy and life with others—especially those who may need you more than you need them.
- Engage people. Engage others with the mindset of being Jesus, not just inviting them to a function at our church (see Romans 12:13-20) but accompanying them. Invite them to join you for coffee after the service in the Church Hall. Don't leave people on their own.
- Make meals a priority. Many of Jesus' striking moments occurred around meals. Invite a person to a meal, or for a coffee, and serve him or her. Pay for the meal if possible, pray for your guest specifically and serve him or her. Use these times together to build relationships.
- Pay attention. We all interact with people at work, at church, at school and in our communities. But how many of these people are outcasts that go unnoticed? Take some time out of your day to stop, look around and show kindness to others. Your uplifting word or kind action may change someone's life forever.

May we all be like Jesus who welcomed strangers and outcasts (Luke 19:1-10).

God Bless, Steve

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

<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February</b>
8:30am Morning Prayer, Church Hall	
<b>Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February</b>	<b>Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February</b>
8:30am Morning Prayer	9:15am Open the Book
9:00am Staff Meeting, Church Hall	1:15pm Twiglets (Toddler Group), Church Hall
10:00am Taylor Toddlers, Grace Taylor Hall	7:00pm On Fizz (Youth Group), Grace Taylor Hall
2:00pm Primetime	7:45pm Choir & Musicians Practice
3:30pm Shooting Stars, Church Hall	
<b>Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> February</b>
1:00pm All Stars Team Meeting	
5:30pm Brownies	
6:30pm Winter Shelter	
7:15 Rangers	
<b>Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> February - Morning</b>	<b>Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> February - Evening</b>
9:15am Morning Worship, Grace Taylor Hall	6:00pm Worship@6, Church Hall
9:15 All Stars - Worship for All Ages, Church Hall	7:15pm Sunday Nighters, Church Hall
10:45am Morning Worship in Church	

Spotlight on our... **EASTER FUN DAY**

**EGG HUNT**  
**ACTIVITY TRAIL**  
**MAKE A BONNET**  
**FACE-PAINTING**  
**MAKE A GARDEN**  
**REFRESHMENTS**



**Saturday 15 April 2017 2.30-4.30pm**  
**St John's Church and Hall – YOU are welcome!**  
**\*\* Volunteers needed - please speak to Alison or Chrissy\*\***

**"SONGS of PRAISE"**



**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March**  
**6.00pm at St John's**

- \* Favourite hymns & worship songs
- \* Music for quiet reflection
- \* Readings from the Psalms
- \* Testimonies

**Walk on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> March from Deal**  
For information about the next walk please contact Corinne Hyde. Email and telephone details in Church Directory. Friends and relations welcome.