

Mission Trip to JENGA, Uganda March 2019

Anyone interested, please come to a promotional meeting today from 12:15 - 1:00pm in the upper lounge. Grab a coffee and come to hear more. Jo

Worship at 6 - Calling St John's to Prayer

This Sunday evening we shall be holding an hour of worship and focussed prayer for our new vision (6:00pm-7:00pm). Any new season and new ground in the life of the church will be contested - let's come together to proclaim the Lord's victory as we worship Him and seek His will for our future. All very welcome.

Coffee Morning

Grace Taylor Hall is having a coffee morning on the 27th March from 10:00am to 12:00noon. Marmalade and cakes will be on sale. All are welcome.

Good Friday Service - At the Foot of the Cross

There will be a short service of meditation and music at St John's on Good Friday, 30th March, at 9:30 am for about 45 minutes. This still enables people to get to the Folkestone precinct service at 10:30am, prior to the procession of the crosses. There will be opportunities to pray, reflect on Christ's passion, listen to music and for silence. You will all be very welcome. Robert Grieve

Flowers for Easter

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 week. Thank you. Jill O'Neill

Rainbow Knit-In

The sponsored Rainbow Knit-In this year will be on Wednesday 11th April at 1:45pm for a prompt start at 2:15pm. It will be held at the Harvey Grammar School hall, Cheriton Road. If anyone is interested in joining a team of knitters could you please let me know. Phoebe Moffatt

Please continue to pray for the ICC team - Karen, Mandy & Linda

Praise for the privilege of going to China on this short term mission team.

Praise for the wonderful support of the church family spiritually and financially.

Pray for the team's work

Pray for peace as they are all apprehensive about the trip as well as about the family they leave behind.

Pray for safety in travel and good health.

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Sunday 25th March 2018
Palm Sunday

Get Connected

Welcome to St John's

If you are new we hope you enjoy the service. Do collect a welcome pack which contains information about all that goes on at St John's. At the 10:45am service you can go to the welcome desk near the door where someone will be available to answer any questions you may have.

Please also introduce yourself to a member of the team as you leave the church.

Palm Sunday

Today is Palm Sunday which marks the beginning of Holy Week, and commemorates the triumphant arrival of Jesus in Jerusalem, just days before he was crucified.

Jesus entered Jerusalem riding a donkey, to the lavish praise of the people who threw clothes and palm branches in front of him as a sign of their worship and great respect. The use of a donkey instead of a horse is highly symbolic, it represents the humble arrival of someone in peace, as opposed to arriving on a horse in war.

As we go through Holy Week do come along and join us as we remember Jesus' final meal with his disciples on Maundy Thursday; recollect the events of Good Friday with a reflective service and the Procession of the Cross; and finally gather together to celebrate Jesus' resurrection next Sunday.

Every blessing, Steve

What's on this week.....

Monday 26th March	Tuesday 27th March
8:30am Morning Prayer, Church Hall	10:00am Coffee Morning, Grace Taylor Hall 7:45pm Choir & Musicians' Practice
Wednesday 28th March	Maundy Thursday 29th March
8:30am Morning Prayer, Church Hall 9:00am Staff Meeting, Church Hall 10:00am Taylor Toddlers, Grace Taylor Hall (Term Time) 2:00pm Primetime, Church Hall (Term Time)	9:15am Open the Book (Term Time) 1:15pm Twiglets (Toddler Group), Church Hall (Term Time) 7:00pm On Fizz (Youth Group), Grace Taylor Hall (Term Time) 7:00pm Maundy Thursday 'Upper Room' Prayer & Reflection, Church
Good Friday 30th March	Saturday 31st March
9:30am Reflective Service, Church 10:30am Precinct Service & Crosses Walk 5:00pm Brownies, Church Hall (Term Time) 7:15 Guides, Church Hall (Term Time) 7:15pm Rangers, Church Hall (Term Time)	
Easter Day 1st April - Morning	Easter Day 1st April - Evening
9:15am Holy Communion, Grace Taylor Hall 10:45am All Age Easter Communion Service, Church	6:00pm No Worship@6, Church Hall



Welcome to the 'Upper Room'
Maundy Thursday - 29th March in Church. This time of reflection and prayer will be from 7:00pm to 9:00pm. Please come and take your seat and spend some time in the 'upper room' and have bread and wine with Jesus. The service will be candle lit and the prayer team will be available as usual if you would like prayer.

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 Monday 23rd 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 pink 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.

Synopsis of PCC Meeting 26th February, 2018

At the PCC Meeting we discussed the following :

- 2018 Stewardship campaign
- Approved final accounts for 2017
- Implications of Charity Governance Code for PCC members
- Safeguarding training
- New data protection regulations
- St. John's weekend away
- Implementation of our new vision and strategy

If you would like to know more please ask one of the PCC members. The full agreed minutes will be available after the meeting on 26th March 2018.

The Prayer Request Book

This is available on the table near the church door. Use it to request prayer for yourself or others, and use it to know who to pray for.