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This Evening at 6:00pm

Carols by Candlelight in church. A traditional candlelit service led by our choir and music group. A time to celebrate the hope of Christmas with carols and readings.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed mince pies for the Carol Service, it is very much appreciated. Carole Jewitt & Jill O'Neill.



JENGA PROJECT (Uganda) Quiz

On Saturday 26th January from 7:00pm - 10:00pm we will be holding a 'Burns Night' style quiz to raise funds for the JENGA PROJECT. Tickets are £8.00 each and include a ploughman's supper and entertainment. Six to a table. Bring your own drinks. Peter Edwards will be our question master. Tickets will be available at the back of church from Deborah Bates or Bertie Edwards. We have a

small team from St John's going to help with this extraordinary project so please come, have a fun filled evening and so help us to raise some funds for JENGA. If anyone would like more information about the JENGA PROJECT, you can look up the following link: jengauganda.org or ask Jo or any on the team who are going; Peter & Bertie Edwards, Martin & Carole Jewitt, Steve and Mary Harding and Claire Coleman.

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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 10:00am 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.

Carols, Candles and Mince Pies

Only 10 more days until Christmas. The waiting for another year is almost over.

We hope that you will be able to join us tonight for our candlelit carol service which begins at 6:00pm. Our wonderful choir and musicians have been working hard preparing for this service over the past few weeks and it will be lovely to see our church full, so please do bring your friends and family along. There will be drinks and mince pies available after the service.

On Christmas Eve at 4:00pm we are holding our Christingle service - a service for all the family which includes the making and lighting of Christingles. We will be taking a collection during this service for the excellent work of the Children's Society. Please do come along and support this service which is a major outreach event for our church.

Janice and I wish you all a very happy Christmas and a healthy, joyful and peaceful 2019.

Every blessing,

Steve

What's on this week.....

Monday 17th December	Tuesday 18th December
8:30am Morning Prayer, Church Hall	2:00pm Craft Club (1 st Tuesday each month, Term Time), Grace Taylor Hall
Wednesday 19th December	Thursday 20th December
8:30am Staff Meeting, Church Hall	9:15am Open the Book (Term Time)
2:00pm Primetime, Church Hall (Term Time)	1:15pm Twiglets (Toddler Group), Church Hall (Term Time)
	7:00pm On Fizz (Youth Group), Grace Taylor Hall (Term Time)
	7:45pm Choir & Musicians' Practice
Friday 21st December	Saturday 22nd December
5:00pm Brownies, Church Hall (Term Time)	5:00pm CTF Community Carols, Harbour Arm Station
6:30pm Winter Shelter	
7:15pm Guides, Church Hall (Term Time)	
7:15pm Rangers, Church Hall (Term Time)	
Sunday 23rd December - Morning	Sunday 23rd December - Evening
9:15am Communion Service, Grace Taylor Hall	6:00pm No Worship@6, Church Hall
10:00am All Age Service, Church	

Praying for our Mission Partners

Today we are praying for the work of Scripture Union. St John's supports the ministry of Scripture Union in Folkestone. In particular, St. John's partners with Lisa Jones, Schools Development Worker for Scripture Union, as she ministers alongside our work in local schools at Mundella, the Primary Academy and the Open the Book initiative.

Churches Together - Carols in the Community Folkestone Harbour Arm Station - Saturday 22nd December at 5pm

Hopefully - this is already in your diary...



But for things to run smoothly we need two things.....
All of your lovely voices to join with the Herald Angels so we fill the skies over Folkestone with praise!

Also, we need a host of friendly, smiley volunteers to help. For example:

- setting up
- serving hot chocolate & mince pies
- stewarding
- handing out leaflets
- clearing up rubbish

For many of these you also get to wear a very dapper and fashionable hi-vis jacket ...What's not to love....?

If you can help on the day - *please email churchestogetherfolk@gmail.com with your name; church; and (ideally) mobile number.*