WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Sun	8.00am 10.00am <i>Reading:</i> 6.30pm	Holy Communion Parish Communion with Sunday Club & crèche 1 Cor 9: 1 - 27 United Service at St Mark's, West Wickham
Mon	8pm	No Prayer Meeting in the Beacon Centre
Tue	6.15pm 7.30pm 8pm	Cru 2 (Urban Saints) (7-11s) at the Assembly Rooms Club 2000 (11 – 13s) meet at Coney Hill Baptist Church Amber CPC Prayer Meeting in the Beacon Centre
Wed	9.30am	Open Door for mothers & children (with crèche) at the Beacon Centre
Thur	2.00pm 7.30pm	Over 60s Club at the Beacon Centre 14 Plus – Venue as advised
Fri	10.00am	Craft Club in the Beacon Centre

NEXT SUNDAY – 29th September

8.00am	Holy Communion
10.00am	Morning Worship with Sunday Club & Crèche
N.B.	No service of Holy Communion at 11.45am
6.30pm	No service

Sunday Evening Services in October

13 th	Prayer & Praise
20 th	Reflective Communion
27 th	United Service at St John's



This Week's Question

What was written on the tablets of stone that Moses broke, and when God told him to hew two more tablets and take them to him up the mountain, what else was he told to do? Read Deuteronomy 10:1-4

The next Monday evening prayer meetings in the Beacon Centre will take place on 30th September, 7th & 21st October. Amber Prayer Meeting on 24th September.



22nd September 2013 17th Sunday after Trinity













HARVEST CELEBRATION

In a couple of weeks' time, we will give thanks for all that we receive from God in a celebration service with our uniformed groups. As part of our response to God for all that he provides, we take a food and money collection to give away. This year our gifts will be distributed as follows:

- We will give our food donations to the Salvation Army. It would be helpful to them if we could provide tins of pies, meat and fish, rather than beans, spaghetti and soup. They receive a lot of the latter, and it can then be hard to make up full meals;
- We will take a collection for the work of Tear Fund in Syria. While the international community continues to debate the best course of action, thousands of people are being forced to flee their homes every day. The civil war has squeezed 2 million Syrians from their country, and in most cases they leave with very little and an uncertain future.

Let's give generously to these two worthy causes.

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WELCOME TO ST JOHN'S

If this is your first time here, we are delighted to see you. If you can, do stay for a drink after the service. If you would like to know more about our church life, complete one of our welcome cards.



BISHOP'S VISIT – 1 OCTOBER

Bishop Jonathan passes on his apologies, but he

is no longer able to squeeze in all that he had hoped for on his visit on the 1st. The planned evening of worship, and an open Q&A session, will be rescheduled for another time.



FRIENDS & HEROES CLUB LAUNCHES TODAY

Our new club for families with primary school age children starts at 3:30 – 5:15pm today, in church. It's designed for all the family to join in together.

If you have any unflattened cereal, food, & tissue boxes, as well as any sheets of coloured crepe or tissue paper, please bring them along. Thank you!

Future Dates: 20th October, 17th November & 8th December.



NEW ALPHA COURSE STARTS SOON

We are close to the start of our next Alpha course, which begins on 30 September. If you know anyone who might like to explore some of the big questions about life and faith in a relaxed environment, then now is the time to ask them. If you wish to know more, or put your name down, then let Jon or Nick know or check out the website.



DIARY DATES

TODAY 22 Sep, 2-4pm Fun in the Park – outside Parklands

Nursery. Entertainment, cakes & drinks.

17 Oct Link to Hope Evening at Holmshaw Farm 8pm

31 Oct Light the Night Celebration.

3 Nov Sunday Morning in the Assembly Rooms.

16 Nov Retreat Morning.



FUNERAL OF BETH GAVED

Friday, 27th September at 4pm at St John's Church, Tunbridge Wells. All welcome. Please pray for the family as they celebrate Beth's life.



Amber CPC's client numbers are steadily increasing and they would love to have more people work with them. A new course to train people as a 'Pregnancy Choices Practitioner' has just been launched and the first one begins in October. If you are at all interested, ring 8462 9990 or email at: contact@amberpregnancy.com.

Sarah Fletcher is running the Royal Parks half marathon on 6 October to raise funds for Amber CPC. If you would like to sponsor her, please see Sarah, or Alison Stockdale, or go to www.virginmoneygiving.com



MEN'S GROUP

The Men's Group will be meeting Friday 4 October at 8pm at THE FOX Keston (or if we

prefer, THE GREYHOUND opposite) perhaps to discuss a Men's Service in church or simply to be social.



PRAYERS

Please pray for:

Link to Hope (working in Romania) & Spinnaker Trust (working in local

- primary schools) our mission focus this month.
- Marlene Simpson and family as they cope with bereavement;
- People in Mexico following the spate of flooding;
- All the agencies working in Syria to help with the fall out of conflict;
- The Alpha team as they prepare for the course and all those who will be attending;



FRESH NEWS

If you have any news for inclusion in the news sheet, please forward it to Margaret

Kingman by Wednesday morning. parishstjohnswestwickham@gmail.com



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