WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

8.00am Sun **Holy Communion**

> Morning Worship with Infant Baptism 10.00am

"Family Life" Genesis 44: 1-33. Reading:

Holy Communion 11.30am

6.30pm No service

Our regular weekday meetings resume after the School Holidays.

The Beacon Centre will be open at intervals this week to enable people to make final purchases before the place is cleared. We're also encouraging people to have a look at any fittings and furnishing they might like from the Centre, inviting people to make a donation.

Opening Times will be confirmed verbally on Sunday and go up on the website.

6th September **NEXT SUNDAY –**

8.00am **Holy Communion**

10.00am Morning Worship with Infant Baptism

Reading: "Family Life" Genesis 45:1-28.

Holy Communion 11.30am

6.30pm No service



THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Why did two of Noah's sons put a cloak across their shoulders and walk backwards into their father's tent?

Read Genesis 9: 18-27



30 August 2015 13th Sunday after Trinity













NEW CURATE AT ST JOHN'S

Many of you will be aware that we were in the diocesan mix as a possible training parish.

Over the summer, Peter Churcher and his family came to visit on a number of occasions, and we are really pleased that he has indicated he would like to serve his curacy at St John's. The formalities are yet to be finalised, but it is anticipated that he would start with us in September 2016.

Peter is married to Josie. They have 4 children - Sophie, Faith, Izzy, and Xander. They are currently based in Nottingham, where Peter is doing residential training at St John's theological college. They have plenty of church experience between them, but much more significantly than that, they are people of real character and warmth, and it will be great to have them as part of the church family.

Please pray for them during this final year of training and for all the adjustments that will come later, as they contemplate the move.

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WELCOME TO SCOTT, HAYLEY AND THOMAS

A really warm welcome to the Kennedy family and their friends, as they bring Thomas to be baptized this morning. We hope you all feel at ease with us, and today marks a special celebration.

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



PRAYER MEETINGS DURING SEPTEMBER

The Monday evening prayer meetings instead of gathering at the Beacon Center will meet at Sybil Andrew's home - 11 Sylvan Way.

These will take place from 8:00-9:00pm, on 7th, 14th, and 28th September. Do come and join in, as there is plenty to be praying for at the moment. On the 7th, some time will be spent praying for the second reading of the Assisted Dying Bill in the House of Commons.



LATEST NEWS

This week just gone, the first detailed designs for

the new look were met with excitement by the team tasked with oversight of the project. The designers have paid close attention to the brief of making it a flexible, multi-purpose site. We meet again this week to finetune the proposals and so we're close to giving you all something to see and get excited about.

WHAT OF THE NAME?

Some proposals were put forward and a name that appears to be capturing the imagination is 'The Mustard Seed'. People from outside the church have said they like it, it is sufficiently intriguing and abstract for a multi-use site, but equally has strong resonances for our vision for the place and what Jesus says about the Kingdom of Heaven. Give it some thought and let us know what you think.



CONTACT BOOK

If you would like to receive text updates about what's going on at St John's then please

can you provide your mobile details in the Contact Book, or simply give us your contact details for the first time. All at the Welcomer's Table.

We hope to print the new book in early September.



DIARY DATES

Here are some September dates for the diary. They all refer to Sunday, 10am.

13th: Bishop of Croydon, Bishop Jonathan will be joining us.

20th: Meeting in the Assembly Rooms. 27th: 'Secret Church' service. Further details to follow.

NB Holy Communion at 8am will run as usual on each of the above Sundays.



SHINE

The next shine will take place at St John's on 10 September from 1:30-3:00pm. All under

5s and their carers welcome.



SEPTEMBER SAUNTER

Sat 19th September

Sponsored 10 mile walk in aid of the Bible Society's Nepal

Emergency project. For more information see the notice board, or speak to Geoff Larcombe.



PIZZA & WORSHIP

Friday 11th September 7:00-9:30pm @ Church

For everyone who is, or

who would like to be, involved in worship at St John's - a time of worship, prayer and sharing

encouragements. If you would like to attend, let Barbara Bassot know.



PRAYERS

Please pray for:

- o Liz, Wayne and the twins - for ever increasing strength for them all;
- o Carl Hewson as he continues to battle leukaemia:
- o Peter. Josie and their children in their final year at St John's, Nottingham;
- o The on-going progress with the development of the Beacon Centre;
- o All those returning to school this week:
- o The 2nd hearing of the Assisted Dying Bill in the Commons.



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