### WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Sun 8.00am **Holy Communion** 10.00am Parish Communion with Bishop Jonathan Readings: Psalm 19 & Mark 8: 27-end. 3.30pm Friends & Heroes 6.30pm No service Prayer Meeting at 11 Sylvan Way Mon 8.00pm Cru 2 (Urban Saints) (7-11s) at the Assembly Rooms 6.15pm Tue 7.30pm Club 2000 (11 – 13s) meet at Coney Hill Baptist Church 9.30am Open Door for mothers & children at 44 Windermere Wed Road 2.00pm Over 60s Club at Coney Hill Baptist Church Thur

14 Plus – Venue as advised

Park 20<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER **NEXT SUNDAY –** 

7.30pm

11am – 1pm

8.00am **Holy Communion** 

Meeting in the Assembly Rooms - ENJOYING PRAYER 10.00am

Hearing Aid Clinic at the Warden's Office, Bencurtis

6.30pm No Service



Fri

### THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Why did Abraham try to find 10 righteous men?

Read Genesis 18: 20 – 32

#### **MONDAY EVENING PRAYER MEETINGS**

These will take place at Sybil Andrew's home - 11 Sylvan Way, instead of the Beacon Centre, during the refurbishment.

They will take place from 8:00-9:00pm, on 14<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> September. Do come and join in, as there is plenty to be praying for at the moment.



13<sup>th</sup> September 2015 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity













# **RESPONDING TO NEED**

The photos of a Turkish Gendarme cradling the limp body of Aylan Kurdi have stirred emotions worldwide. It's an arresting image which will forever define a wealth of issues that are complex and painful - 5,000 camped at Calais, 2,000 drowned this year alone in the Mediterranean, 2 million camped along the borders of Turkey, over 50 million refugees worldwide.

Processing the details is hard enough but formulating a meaningful, personal response that will make a difference is equally challenging. In our 'Secret Church' and Harvest Services in the coming weeks we will take collections for organizations wrestling with the refugee crisis. However, there are resources to help us all consider what an authentic Christian response might look like. I encourage you to try some of these for starters:

- http://www.christiantoday.com/article/the.refugee.crisis.a.call.to.comp assion/63952.htm
- A resources sheet on the Mission Table, produced by Leicester Diocese;
- The Croydon Refugee Day Center need food, clothing and money for newly arriving asylum seekers – see their website for more details.

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### WELCOME TO BISHOP JONATHAN

It's great to have the Bishop of Croydon join us this morning for our worship together. We look forward to hearing him preach and lead us in celebrating Communion.

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.



# FRIENDS & HEROES TODAY @ 3:30pm in church.

If you are free, might you be able to lend a hand? A couple of the regular helpers aren't available this month, so any offers of assistance would be much appreciated. Please let Angela Walters know. Also, if you have any cardboard boxes which aren't flattened (cereal/tissue) please can you bring them along this Sunday (only).



### BEACON CENTRE LATEST

When we meet in the Assembly Rooms on

the 20<sup>th</sup>, we'll unveil plans for the design and vote on the proposals for a new name. During the refurbishment,

please ensure that if you need the church for any events that you book with the Parish Administrator to avoid any clashes.



### THE NEXT FEW WEEKS

**20 September** – In the Assembly Rooms we

will be focusing on the subject of 'Enjoying Prayer'. It will help underpin our series in October on Sharing Faith, but is designed to help us recover a sense of delight in prayer, especially if it feels like your prayer life is a little stagnant.

27 September – Some of you may be anxious about the lack of detail regarding our 'Secret Church' service. There will be some information coming, but it will be deliberately scant, as it's in the nature of what we are undertaking...



### ROOM FOR A LODGER?

Katy Trigg has a trusted male lodger who is looking for a room for

4 nights a week (Sunday – Wednesday night), as she is moving house. He works at Nash College, eats his main meal there, and so doesn't require lots of space. For further details speak to Katy, or email her on katytrigg47@gmail.com



#### **CONTACT BOOK**

It's the last opportunity to provide your mobile details if you would like to receive St John's

updates by text. If you would, please write in the draft Contact Book on the Welcomers' table.



# THE HARVEST SUPPER

3rd October 6pm

Join us at the Assembly

Rooms for a Fish and Chip Supper (alternative choice available) and fun quiz suitable for all the family. Tickets available shortly – book the date NOW!



#### **CONFIRMATION**

This year's Deanery confirmation will take place at St John's, Selsdon on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup>

November at 6pm. If you are interested in being confirmed please see Jon.



#### **SPONSORED WALK**

Ann Gardner will be undertaking a 10 mile sponsored walk in aid of the Bible Society. Please

see her after the service if you would like to sponsor her.



#### **PRAYERS**

Please pray for:

- Link to Hope our mission focus this month;
- Abigail and Jessica, Liz & Wayne's twins as they continue to face daily challenges. Pray especially for Jessica that the open duct in her heart is healed, or can be fixed surgically;
- Carl Hewson as he continues to battle leukaemia and infection;
- The many issues surrounding the refugee crisis, including a coordinated response across nations, and relief for the people most affected:
- The plans for the management and use of the Beacon Center when it re-opens;



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