WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

8.00am **Holy Communion** Sun Morning Worship 10.00am

> "Running with Giants" - Rahab Reading:

11.30am **Holy Communion**

6.30pm No service

No regular weekday activities during the school holidays Mon - Wed

Friendship Group at SJ's 2.00pm Thur

Craft Club at SJ's Fri 10am – noon

NEXT SUNDAY – 6th August

Incorporated into the 24 hour 8.00am Holy Communion

10.00am Family Service worship-a-thon

6.30pm No service



THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Why did Samson catch 300 foxes, tie the tails of each pair together and attach a lighted torch to the tails? Read Judges 15: 1 - 6

MONDAY EVENING PRAYER MEETINGS - 8pm at SJ's

No more meetings until 5th September.



31st July 2016 10th Sunday after Trinity













24hr Worship-a-thon

Life can be really busy. I know, it's a bit of a cliché and a huge understatement, but bear with me! If you're anything like me, whenever you see another church event your first thought might be 'How am I going to fit that in?' However, here are a few reasons I'd like to suggest this is worth making time for:

- 1) You can come for a little bit or a lot. You don't need to stay for all the 24hrs! Come whenever you can. At the start, at the end, or even 3am!
- 2) It's a chance in our busy schedules to set some time aside to meet with God, to praise him and pray for those things that are on your heart.
- 3) It's a chance to get involved with the worship team. Feel you might want to sing, or play an instrument as part of our worship, then this is the perfect opportunity to start. We also need people to read the bible and prepare some intercessions.
- 4) To support the building of an orphanage, associated with one of our mission partners, Kruper. Have a think about what you are able to give. And get creative: Maybe what you'd normally spend a week on coffee?

Noon Saturday 6 August to noon Sunday 7 August.

Speak to Stu Carey or Jonny Faint if you're interested in getting involved.

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WELCOME

If you're new to St John's and wish to find out more about what goes on beyond Sunday, then do introduce yourself to one of our leadership team. They can connect you with people and groups in our church family. You can also find out more from our website, and the parish office can arrange for you to receive information electronically, if that's easier.



SERVING OPPORTUNITIES FOLLOW-UP

I am aware that we haven't yet detailed to the church the response that flowed out of our 21 day period of prayer, and what that might mean for us going forward.

There have been some movements recently with some of the gaps in our mid-week youth groups. Consequently, we are now asking whether people, who might not have been minded to take on a leadership role, might consider offering to lend a hand as a helper for a year for Cru2 (7-11 yr olds). Cru2 runs on a Tuesday night from 6:15-7:30pm, and could do with a couple of extra people to support the existing team. If you think you might be able to assist, let Jon know.

More widely, we will outline the response we received to 'Serving

Opportunities' after the Summer exodus, as well as set out some intentions for sharpening our vision.



FUN AND GAMES ON SPARROWS DEN REC.

10th August - 2-4 p.m.

Bring a picnic and enjoy the company.

An event for children 0-12 yrs with an adult in tow.



WORSHIP-A-THON 24 Hour Worship

Join us at any point between 12 noor

Saturday 6 August to noon Sunday 7 August, as we worship and raise funds for an Indian Orphanage associated with Krupa, one of our mission partners. Speak to Stu Carey or Jonny Faint if you're interested in getting involved.



MASSIVE CONGRATS CHCU

A big high five to the Coney Churches United

Team who last weekend came through on penalties to win the National Christian Football Tournament in Birmingham. A first for the team!



SPONSOR STEVE READ?

Steve is taking part in Ride London – a 100

mile cycle – to raise money for Ambassadors Football. If you want to help him reach his target of £750, then you can donate at:

http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/StephenRead



PRAYERS

Please pray for:

- Gemma & Simeon Locke working with ReachAcross in Mali
- our mission focus this month;
- Nazanin Ratcliffe (wider family of Margaret Kingman) and her release from imprisonment in Iran. Go also to www.change.org
- Sybil Andrew has returned home from hospital on Monday. Please continue to pray for her recovery;
- Carl as he is moved onto new medication and his mum, who herself is undergoing treatment shortly;
- Others we know who continue to recover from illness or treatment;
- The Turkish government's response to the recent coup attempt;

- Those affected by the events in Munich, Nice, Saint-Etienne-du-Rouvray and Sagamihara;
- Becca & Sam as they prepare for their wedding day and married life;
- Everyone attending Christian festivals.



FRESH NEWS

Please forward news for the News Sheet, to **Margaret Kingman** by Wednesday morning.



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