

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Sun	8.00am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Morning Worship
	Reading:	"At the Feet of the Master" – Luke 6: 20-26
	11.30am	Holy Communion
	6.30pm	No service

Mon – Thur No regular weekday activities during the school holidays

Fri 10am – noon Hearing Aid Servicing Clinic at SJ's

NEXT SUNDAY – 21st August

8.00am	Holy Communion
10.00am	Morning Worship
11.30am	Holy Communion
6.30pm	No service

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Saul, the first king of Israel disobeyed the Lord's commandments and turned away from the word of God. God then rejected him as king and told Samuel to go to Bethlehem where he would find someone who would be the new king. Who did God tell Samuel to anoint?

Read 1 Samuel 16: 10 - 13

MONDAY EVENING PRAYER MEETINGS - 8pm at SJ's

No more meetings until 5th September.

St John's west wickham

14th August 2016
12th Sunday after Trinity



A LONG TIME COMING!

This week Max Whitlock achieved something extraordinary: he won a bronze medal. Now you might be thinking, "yeah, that is impressive, but why mention him rather than one of our Gold medallists?" Well, Max achieved his medal in All-round gymnastics. The last time we did that we were on home turf, and that was 108 years ago! You could see the pressure in his eyes as the final athletes were still scoring.

David Boudia and Steele Johnson are the Synchronised 10m Platform 2016 silver medallists. They were asked afterwards how it felt to be medallists at Rio, with all the pressure following London 2012. David replied, (and Steele later echoed), "There's been an enormous amount of pressure. I've felt it, and it's just an identity crisis. When my mind is on this [diving], and I'm thinking I'm defined by this, then my mind goes crazy. But we both know that our identity is in Christ, and we're just thankful for this opportunity to be able to dive in front of Brazil and for the United States. It's been an absolutely thrilling moment for us."

Paul gave some similar advice to Timothy (4:7b-10):

"Train yourself in godliness, for, **while physical training is of some value, godliness is valuable in every way**, holding promise for both the present life and the life to come. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance. For to this end we toil and struggle, because we have our hope set on the living God, who is the Saviour of all people, especially of those who believe."

So, when the pressure hits, try to remember: **Your identity is in Christ.**

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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.



FRIENDSHIP GROUP

No meeting on Thursday, 18th August.



PETER EVEREST

Peter's funeral will take place on Friday, 19th August at 12 noon at Beckenham

Crematorium. Everyone who knew or remembers Peter is welcome to attend. We remember Doreen and her family at this time, and pray for them to know God's presence with them.



WORSHIP-A-THON 24 Hour Worship Last weekend

Donations to the orphanage in India can be given through the following Just Giving page:

<https://crowdfunding.justgiving.com/worship-a-thon>



HELP NEEDED

The Croydon Refugee Centre still need teenager's clothes and footwear sizes adult 5 and above. More information from Ann Gardner.



CONCERT

**St Francis' Church
16th & 17th
September at 7.30pm**
In aid of the Lighting & Electrical project. See poster for details.



DIARY DATES

**Harvest Supper
1st October**

**St John's "Link to
Hope" Autumn Fair
St Francis Church Hall,
Saturday, 22nd October, 11am-3pm**



SERVING OPPORTUNITIES FOLLOW-UP

We are asking if anyone who didn't want 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.



PRAYERS

Please pray for:

- Christian camps and gatherings this summer, that the

Holy Spirit will be mightily at work revealing Jesus as the Son of God and risen King and that God's Kingdom will be well-established in people's hearts - our mission focus this month;

- Nazanin Ratcliffe (wider family of Margaret Kingman) and her release from imprisonment in Iran. Go also to www.freenazanin.com
- Sybil Andrew now at home. 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;
- For those who are recently bereaved;



FRESH NEWS

Please forward news for the News Sheet, to **Jon Ward** by Wednesday morning.



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The Parish Office will be closed for holidays from 15th to 26th August.

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