

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Sun	8.00am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Morning Worship
	Reading:	"At the Feet of the Master" – Luke 6: 27-36
	11.30am	Holy Communion
	6.30pm	No service

Mon – Thur No regular weekday activities during the school holidays

Thur 2.00 - 4.00pm Friendship Group @ SJ's

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

NEXT SUNDAY – 21st August

8.00am	Holy Communion
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6.30pm	No service

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

On two occasions Saul tried to kill David by throwing his spear at him but David dodged out of the way each time. Why did Saul want to kill David?

Read 1 Samuel 18 : 6 - 12

MONDAY EVENING PRAYER MEETINGS - 8pm at SJ's

No more meetings until 5th September.



EXAM RESULTS

This week some of our young people will have received the verdict on their efforts from a couple of months ago, and a whole lot more will be waiting on results this coming Thursday.

The stress often experienced at exam time is typically mirrored by the tension of waiting for the examiners' judgement. In many respects, it's a natural anxiety to experience. For some, it's about hoping that all the effort ploughed in has been rewarded – 'well done, my good and faithful servant'. For others, it can be more of a case of hoping that work done half-heartedly won't be too painfully exposed.

What is more sinister is when results feed the pressure to measure ourselves against our friends, prove ourselves to our parents, or simply shape our very identity.

We all hope our young people 'do well'. But more than that, we hope that they know that their value to us is not defined by what grades they secure; even less so the value that God places on them - whose love relentlessly runs toward them irrespective of anything they have done.

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.



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



LINK TO HOPE AUTUMN FAIR

St Francis Church Hall
22 Oct, 11am – 3pm

We are looking to raise funds and awareness for the Shoebox appeal. There will be a 'Shoebox Station' to encourage people to put together a shoebox there and then.

Milly and Angela are looking for some assistance, which includes:

- Donations of any of the following: new and unopened gifts, jams, preserves, pickles and any items that can be used for shoebox filling;
- Donations of cakes/traybakes for the fair itself;
- Help setting up & packing away, as well as the serving of refreshments & running of the stall.

There is also the possibility that we can advertise the event by hosting Estate Agent Boards. If you have a BR1-4 postcode and are happy to have one up, then contact Angela Walters before 28 August – angela.walters@yahoo.co.uk

All general enquiries to Angela or Milly – acee.johnson@btinternet.com



KISS SWEETER THAN WINE

A tribute to the 60's Protest Artists – modern renditions of classics from the likes of Dylan, Joni Mitchell, The Byrds, etc. Taking place at Emmanuel URC on 3 September, 7:30pm for 8:00pm start, tickets £14, on the door or at www.WeGotTickets.com



PRAYERS

Please pray for:

- Soul Survivor this week - the hearts and wills of the young people attending will be directed towards Jesus and they will be renewed for His service;
- Nazanin Ratcliffe (wider family of Margaret Kingman) and her release from imprisonment in Iran. Go also to www.freenazanin.com
- Hayley, Scott & Thomas Kennedy as they move to Scotland;
- Doreen Everest, following Peter's funeral on Friday;
- Christians in the Democratic Republic of Congo facing mounting persecution & other parts of the world where such treatment occurs and is noticeably absent in the press;



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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