

WHAT'S ON AT ST JOHN'S

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Mon. 2 June	8.00 a.m	MONDAY MARKET 'OPEN CHURCH'
Mon. 2 June	7.00 p.m	Monday Night House Group
Wed. 4 June	7.30 p.m	Sing for Joy Choir

For your prayers and praise

God of glory, As we remember Christ ascending into heaven,
we hold onto his promise that we are not alone.

Though he has gone before us, your Spirit is with us still—
guiding, strengthening, and preparing us for the work you've given us to
do. In the waiting between promise and fulfillment,
give us faith to trust, eyes to see your movement in the world,
and hearts ready to receive your Spirit.

Help us live as people of hope, proclaiming your love with
courage and joy. In the name of Jesus, who lives and reigns with you, now and
always. Amen.

Loving God,

We lift up to you our folk as they journey to Lee Abbey next weekend.

Grant them safe travel, smooth paths, and joyful fellowship along the way. May
their time be filled with peace, reflection, and renewal.

Refresh their spirits, strengthen their bonds, and bring them home safely,
restored in heart and mind. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

I will be fundraising for **Cancer Research** this June by swimming 10k.

If you would like to support me please go to:-

<https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/sonias-giving-page-746>

All donations will be very gratefully received. Thank you so much. Sonia.

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WELCOME TO ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH, SHIPHAY

'A caring fellowship seeking to share the life and love of God'

Sunday 1 June 2025

We warmly welcome you to our worship this morning.

The Sunday after Ascension Day. The Sunday before Pentecost.

Behind us is the life of Jesus, his death,

his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension.

We are glad you have chosen to come along to this service especially if this is
your first visit to St. John's.

We really hope you will stay and join us for Fairtrade coffee and refreshments
after the service this morning.



Music

Love divine, all loves excelling 428

He is exalted 273

Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise 248

To be in your presence 694

Offertory I, the Lord of sea and sky 332

Communion Here is bread, here is wine 277

God forgave my sin in Jesus' name 212

O, heaven is in my heart 499



The First Reading

Acts 16:16-34 Paul and Silas in prison

¹⁶ Once when we were going to the place of prayer, we were met by a female slave who had a spirit by which she predicted the future. She earned a great deal of money for her owners by fortune-telling. ¹⁷ She followed Paul and the rest of us, shouting, 'These men are servants of the Most High God, who are telling you the way to be saved.' ¹⁸ She kept this up for many days. Finally Paul became so annoyed that he turned round and said to the spirit, 'In the name of Jesus Christ I command you to come out of her!' At that moment the spirit left her.

¹⁹ When her owners realised that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market-place to face the authorities. ²⁰ They brought them before the magistrates and said, 'These men are Jews, and are throwing our city into an uproar ²¹ by advocating customs unlawful for us Romans to accept or practise.'

²² The crowd joined in the attack against Paul and Silas, and the magistrates ordered them to be stripped and beaten with rods. ²³ After they had been severely flogged, they were thrown into prison, and the jailer was commanded to guard them carefully. ²⁴ When he received these orders, he put them in the inner cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

²⁵ About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening to them. ²⁶ Suddenly there was such a violent earthquake that the foundations of the prison were shaken. At once all the prison doors flew open, and everyone's chains came loose. ²⁷ The jailer woke up, and when he saw the prison doors open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself because he thought the prisoners had escaped. ²⁸ But Paul shouted, 'Don't harm yourself! We are all here!'

²⁹ The jailer called for lights, rushed in and fell trembling before Paul and Silas. ³⁰ He then brought them out and asked, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?'

³¹ They replied, 'Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved – you and your household.' ³² Then they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all the others in his house. ³³ At that hour of the night the jailer took them and washed their wounds; then immediately he and all his household were baptised. ³⁴ The jailer brought them into his house and set a meal before them; he was filled with joy because he had come to believe in God – he and his whole household.



Cockington Parish

Back due to popular demand

Yes Hymns & Pimms will be returning at

**4.00PM, Sunday 29th June
at Cockington Church**

with very own human juke box Stephen Royle, organist extraordinaire, leading us on a journey through hymns "Ancient & Modern".

The Gospel Reading

John 17. 20-end Jesus prays for all believers

²⁰ 'My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, ²¹ that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²² I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one – ²³ I in them and you in me – so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.

²⁴ 'Father, I want those you have given me to be with me where I am, and to see my glory, the glory you have given me because you loved me before the creation of the world.

²⁵ 'Righteous Father, though the world does not know you, I know you, and they know that you have sent me. ²⁶ I have made you known to them, and will continue to make you known in order that the love you have for me may be in them and that I myself may be in them.'

Thy Kingdom Come! -

is a global wave of prayer which takes place every year between Ascension Day until Pentecost (29 May- 8 June 2025) . During this time, Christians around the world are encouraged to pray for people they know to come to faith and know the love and peace of Jesus. It is a movement that unites Christians across different traditions, denominations and nations. This year, Thy Kingdom Come is celebrating it's 10th anniversary of lighting the world up in prayer.

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily
bread.**

**Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.**

Amen.

