WELCOME TO ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH, SHIPHAY

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

Sunday 1 November 2026

A very warm welcome to you all as we gather to celebrate

All Saints' Day.

Today, we give thanks to God for all the saints who have gone before us in faith, whose lives have inspired us through their love, courage, faithfulness, and devotion to Christ.

We remember those who have shown us what it means to live according to God's calling and to walk in the light of His love.

As we come together in worship, may we be encouraged by their example, strengthened in our faith, and renewed in our commitment to follow Jesus Christ.

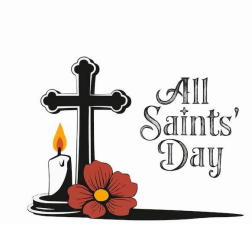
May God bless us all as we worship together.

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

	For all the saints (vs.1-4 & 8)	**177**
	A Thousand Generations	
	We bow down and confess	
Offertory	Blessed Assurance	**74**
Communion	All heav'n declares	**17**
	In my life, Lord, be glorified	
	As we are gathered	**47**
	Now when peace like a river	



The First Reading **1 John 3:1-3**

3 See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. **2** Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when Christ appears,[a] we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. **3** All who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

The Gospel Reading **Matthew 5:1-12**

Introduction to the Sermon on the Mount

5 Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, **2** and he began to teach them.

The Beatitudes

He said: **3** 'Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
4 Blessed are those who mourn,
for they will be comforted.
5 Blessed are the meek,
for they will inherit the earth.
6 Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
for they will be filled.
7 Blessed are the merciful,
for they will be shown mercy.
8 Blessed are the pure in heart,
for they will see God.
9 Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they will be called children of God.
10 Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
11 'Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. **12** Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

WHAT'S ON AT ST JOHN'S		
DATE	***TIME***	***EVENT***
Mon 2 Nov	**19.00**	**Monday Night House Group**
Mon 2 Nov	**08.00**	**MONDAY MARKET – bargains for all!**
Tues 3 Nov	**14.00**	***St Matthews Open Church***
Wed 4 Nov	**19.30**	**Sing for Joy Choir**
Thur 5 Nov	**09.30**	**Holy Communion/prayers**
Fri 6 Nov	**10.00**	***St Matthews Church Shop***
Sun 8 Nov	**08.00**	**Holy communion/prayers**
Sun 8 Nov	**10.00**	**REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY SERVICE** **3rd Torbay Scout Group in attendance**

You are warmly invited to join us for our **Remembrance Sunday Service**
8 November at 10.00
as we honour and remember the
courage, sacrifice, and service of all those who have served – and continue to serve –
in times of war, conflict, and peace.
Act of Remembrance at 10.45 followed by a two minute silence at 11.00.
3rd Torbay (Shiphay) Scout group will be in attendance.

Our Annual **Service of Remembrance of Our Loved Ones Lost** will take place on
Sunday 22 November at 16.00.
Please put your loved ones name/s on the list at the back of church if you will be coming along.
Thank you.

NEW CHURCH ROTA

Please collect your copy from the back of church today if your name appears on the Rota. Thank you.

Suggestions for your prayers/praise

Heavenly Father, we thank You for all our PCC members. Guide them with Your wisdom, unite them in love, and help them serve our church and community with humility, faith, and dedication. Grant them strength in their responsibilities and bless their decisions so they may bring glory to Your name.
We lift up our troubled world to You. In times of fear, conflict and uncertainty, bring hope where there is despair, peace where there is violence, and comfort where there is suffering. Protect the vulnerable, strengthen those who are struggling, and guide humanity towards love, compassion and unity.
Let Your light shine in the darkest places.
Pray for all those worldwide, that are in need of the touch of God's healing hand.
In everything give thanks and praise. **Amen.**

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