

WHAT'S ON AT ST JOHN'S /DATES FOR DIARIES

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Mon. 12 Aug.	7.00 p.m	Monday Night House Group
Sat. 17 Aug.	8.00 a.m	'CAR BOOT SALE' CHURCH CAR PARK
Wed. 28 Aug.	10.00-1.00 p.m	CHATTY CAFÉ, Tea, Coffee & Cake
Fri. 13 Sept.	6.00 p.m	PUDDING NIGHT
Sat. 28 Sept.	6.45 p.m	Quiz & Supper Night /Church Hall

Joyful Summer Prayers

Dear Lord,
Summer brings communities together for festivals, gatherings, and celebrations. We pray for unity among neighbours and friends, that the bonds of fellowship grow stronger. May we find common ground, build connections, and create a sense of belonging that enriches our lives. Amen.

Heavenly Father,

As the sun dips below the horizon, painting the sky with hues of orange and pink, we stand in awe of your majestic creation. Bless us with the ability to savour these fleeting moments, to find beauty in endings, and to welcome the promise of new beginnings with open hearts. Amen.

Dear God,

As the day transitions into night, we seek peaceful evenings where we can rest our weary bodies and minds. Grant us the serenity to let go of worries, to find tranquility in the stillness, and to embrace the calm of summer nights. Amen.

As we prepare to gather for our summer events we pray our efforts will bear fruit and that they will bring joy and inspiration.

As we stand together, a diverse tapestry of individuals, we recognize the beauty of our differences. Yet, we also understand the power of unity. We come before You, seeking Your divine grace to foster unity and harmony among all.

Just as a choir blends its voices to create harmonious music, may we blend our unique qualities to create a symphony of togetherness. May we set aside our differences and work together towards a common purpose, finding strength in our diversity. We thank You for the chance to come together as one. Amen.

Father God, thank You for the amazing opportunity for unity that the Olympics provides.

We pray for peace in our country and in our world.

For Rev Paul, Jacqui and Deborah.

Jesus, we thank you for Summer. Thank you for light and warmth. Thank you for the sun. Thank you for the gifts of nature and the beauty of the earth.

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH, SHIPHAY

'A caring fellowship seeking to share the life and love of God'
Sunday, 11 August 2024

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We warmly welcome you to our Worship this morning.

This morning we welcome Rev Nicholas Pearkes.

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.

Every blessing to you all.

Music Backing tracks

Beautiful saviour

We bow down

All heav'n declares

Here I am to worship

All I once held dear

Jesus lover of my soul

Take me to the river

Christ alone

And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us,
and hath given himself for us an offering
and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour.

Ephesians 5:2



Ephesians 4:25-5:2

²⁵No more lying, then! Each of you must tell the truth to the other believer, because we are all members together in the body of Christ. ²⁶If you become angry, do not let your anger lead you into sin, and do not stay angry all day. ²⁷Don't give the Devil a chance. ²⁸If you used to rob, you must stop robbing and start working, in order to earn an honest living for yourself and to be able to help the poor. ²⁹Do not use harmful words, but only helpful words, the kind that build up and provide what is needed, so that what you say will do good to those who hear you. ³⁰And do not make God's Holy Spirit sad; for the Spirit is God's mark of ownership on you, a guarantee that the Day will come when God will set you free. ³¹Get rid of all bitterness, passion, and anger. No more shouting or insults, no more hateful feelings of any sort. ³²Instead, be kind and tender-hearted to one another, and forgive one another, as God has forgiven you through Christ.

Living in the Light

5 Since you are God's dear children, you must try to be like him. ²Your life must be controlled by love, just as Christ loved us and gave his life for us as a sweet-smelling offering and sacrifice that pleases God.

James 3:5

The tongue is a small thing that makes grand speeches. But a tiny spark can set a great forest on fire.

1 Corinthians 13:5

Love is not irritable, and it keeps no record of being wronged.

Love is the mightiest weapon in overcoming anger.

Promise from God

Psalm 103:8

The Lord is compassionate and merciful, slow to get angry and filled with unfailing love.



HERE AT
ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH,
CHURCH CAR PARK
SATURDAY 17 AUGUST
8.00 A.M – 2.00 P.M
TEA, COFFEE, REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE.
ALL WELCOME!
ALL PROCEEDS TO CHURCH FUNDS

Matthew 15:21-28 The faith of a Canaanite woman

²¹ Leaving that place, Jesus withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. ²² A Canaanite woman from that vicinity came to him, crying out, 'Lord, Son of David, have mercy on me! My daughter is demon-possessed and suffering terribly.'

²³ Jesus did not answer a word. So his disciples came to him and urged him, 'Send her away, for she keeps crying out after us.'

²⁴ He answered, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of Israel.'

²⁵ The woman came and knelt before him. 'Lord, help me!' she said.

²⁶ He replied, 'It is not right to take the children's bread and toss it to the dogs.'

²⁷ 'Yes it is, Lord,' she said. 'Even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their master's table.'

²⁸ Then Jesus said to her, 'Woman, you have great faith! Your request is granted.' And her daughter was healed at that moment.



**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH, SHIPHAY
CHATTY CAFÉ**

WEDNESDAY 28 AUGUST 2024

10.00 A.M – 1.00 P.M

**DROP IN FOR A FRIENDLY CHAT, TEA, COFFEE AND CAKE.
£2.00 PER PERSON IN AID OF CHURCH FUNDS.**



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WELCOME!**

