

## WHAT'S ON AT ST. JOHN'S

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Mon. 16 Feb.	19.00	Monday Night House Group
Wed. 18 Feb.	19.00	Ash Wednesday service
Thurs. 19 Feb.	09.30	Holy Communion/prayers
Thurs. 19 Feb.	12.00	Lenten Soup Lunch
Thurs. 5 Mar.	19.00	PCC Meeting <i>deferred until 5 March</i>



### Suggestions for your prayers/praise

Please pray for St John's – our musicians, prayer ministry team, flower team etc. and particularly Revd. Paul, Olivia & Jon.

For the Royal Family at this time. Grant them strength, peace, and comfort. Guide them with Your wisdom and surround them with Your love.

We remember St Valentine who was martyred for helping persecuted Christians and marrying Christian couples.

We give thanks for the gift of marriage. We pray that you would help couples grow together and flourish in marriage. For those struggling in their marriage, we ask that you would give them strength.

***We give thanks for the one who is love, who 'sent His only Son into the world that we might live through him.....if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.***

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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 15 February 2026**

Welcome, everyone, on this Transfiguration Sunday.

As we gather in worship, we remember Christ's glory revealed on the mountain and open our hearts to God's presence with us today.

May this time of worship renew our faith and draw us closer to him.

We're 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**

We are marching in the light of God **709**

King of kings, Majesty

**Offertory** Be still, for the presence of the Lord **67**

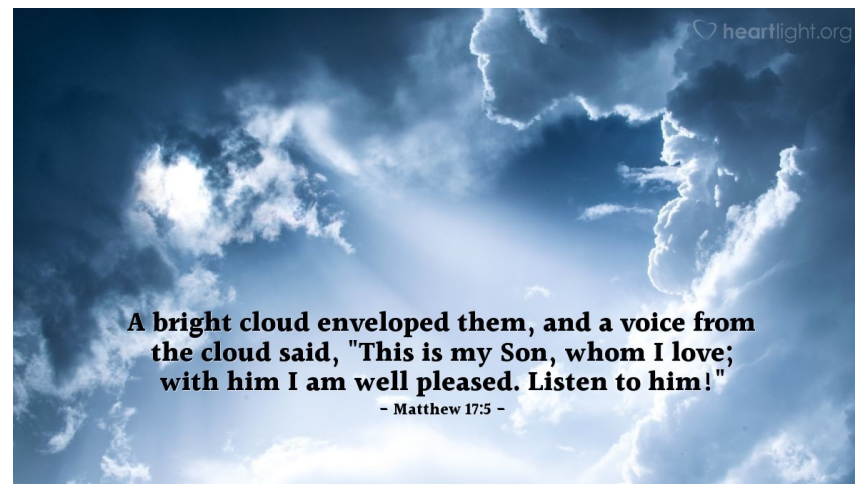
**Communion** May the fragrance of Jesus **445**

Be still and know **66**

Jesus, You are the radiance

Lord, the light of your love is shining **419**

(Shine, Jesus, shine)



### **The First Reading**

#### **2 Pet. 1. 16-end**

<sup>16</sup> For we did not follow cleverly devised stories when we told you about the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ in power, but we were eye-witnesses of his majesty. <sup>17</sup> He received honour and glory from God the Father when the voice came to him from the Majestic Glory, saying, 'This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased.'<sup>[b]</sup> <sup>18</sup> We ourselves heard this voice that came from heaven when we were with him on the sacred mountain.

<sup>19</sup> We also have the prophetic message as something completely reliable, and you will do well to pay attention to it, as to a light shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. <sup>20</sup> Above all, you must understand that no prophecy of Scripture came about by the prophet's own interpretation of things. <sup>21</sup> For prophecy never had its origin in the human will, but prophets, though human, spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

### St John the Baptist Church, Shiphay

#### Lenten Soup lunch

Please join us for our soup lunches over six weeks, a simple time of food, fellowship, and reflection.

**Thursdays 19, 26 February, 5, 12, 19, 26 March**

**12 noon**

Come for one week or all six.

Please feel free to invite others.

We would love to see you there.

Donations will be for Christian Aid & Church funds.



### **Gospel Reading Matthew 17:1-9**

#### **The transfiguration**

<sup>1</sup> After six days Jesus took with him Peter, James and John the brother of James, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. <sup>2</sup> There he was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and his clothes became as white as the light. <sup>3</sup> Just then there appeared before them Moses and Elijah, talking with Jesus.

<sup>4</sup> Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good for us to be here. If you wish, I will put up three shelters – one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.'

<sup>5</sup> While he was still speaking, a bright cloud covered them, and a voice from the cloud said, 'This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased. Listen to him!'

<sup>6</sup> When the disciples heard this, they fell face down to the ground, terrified. <sup>7</sup> But Jesus came and touched them. 'Get up,' he said. 'Don't be afraid.'<sup>8</sup> When they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus.

<sup>9</sup> As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus instructed them, 'Don't tell anyone what you have seen, until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.'

*Almighty God, I come before You asking for a divine transformation in my life.  
Let the power of the Transfiguration change my mind, renew my spirit, and  
align me with Your purpose.*

*Remove the old self and clothe me in righteousness.  
May my life be a living testimony of Your transforming grace.  
Let every encounter with You push me toward holiness.*

**Amen**

***There will be an Ash Wednesday service this  
week (18 Feb.), 7.00 p.m  
Everyone most welcome  
'for dust you are and to dust you will return'***



#### Lenten Offerings

Please remember our local food bank, there is a collection box at the back of church. Thank you so much.