WHAT'S ON AT ST JOHN'S		
DATE	TIME	EVENT
Mon. 17 June	2.00 p.m	Funeral service for Les Sanders
Mon. 17 June	7.00 p.m	Monday Night House Group
Wed. 19 June	7.30 p.m	Sing for Joy Choir
Sun. 23 June	10.00 a.m	Morning Worship
Tues. 25 June	7.30 p.m	Archdeacons' Visitation All Saints Torre

Midsummer Fayre St Matthew's Church, Chelston

Please support through your attendance as this is always appreciated. Invite your friends to this enjoyable morning.



Suggestions for your prayers/praise

We give thanks for our Dad's and pray that they remain a model of love, hope and encouragement.

Pray for all the sick and bereaved know to us, particularly those in our own church fellowship.

For Robbie and the Sanders family as they prepare for Les' funeral service here

Please continue to pray for Rev Paul soon to go on his sabbatical, that he will find renewal, self-study, rest, refreshment . For Jacqui and Deborah.

For the newly appointed Bishop of Exeter the Rt. Revd Dr Mike Harrison.

Pray for our Nation in light of the forthcoming Election.

Give thanks for answered prayer/s.



WELCOME TO ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH, SHIPHAY

'A caring fellowship seeking to share the life and love of God'
Sunday, 16 June 2024

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'WELCOME'

We warmly welcome you to our Worship this morning in which we give special thanks for all Fathers.

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.

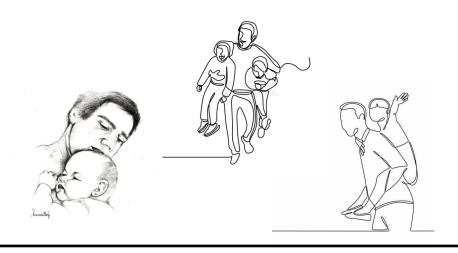
Music

Love divine, all loves excelling I am a new creation Living under the shadow of His wing Abba, Father

Offertory When we walk with the Lord Communion I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus O Lord, your tenderness

Great and wonderful

O Lord, Your tenderness Melting all my bitterness O Lord, I receive Your love.



2 Corinthians 5:6-10

⁶ Therefore we are always confident and know that as long as we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord. ⁷ For we live by faith, not by sight. ⁸ We are confident, I say, and would prefer to be away from the body and at home with the Lord. ⁹ So we make it our goal to please him, whether we are at home in the body or away from it. ¹⁰ For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each of us may receive what is due to us for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad.

The ministry of reconciliation

¹¹ Since, then, we know what it is to fear the Lord, we try to persuade others. What we are is plain to God, and I hope it is also plain to your conscience. ¹² We are not trying to commend ourselves to you again, but are giving you an opportunity to take pride in us, so that you can answer those who take pride in what is seen rather than in what is in the heart. ¹³ If we are 'out of our mind,' as some say, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. ¹⁴ For Christ's love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died. ¹⁵ And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again.

¹⁶ So from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view. Though we once regarded Christ in this way, we do so no longer. ¹⁷ Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: ^[a] the old has gone, the new is here!

Mark 4:26-34

The parable of the growing seed

²⁶ He also said, 'This is what the kingdom of God is like. A man scatters seed on the ground. ²⁷ Night and day, whether he sleeps or gets up, the seed sprouts and grows, though he does not know how. ²⁸ All by itself the soil produces corn – first the stalk, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. ²⁹ As soon as the corn is ripe, he puts the sickle to it, because the harvest has come.'

The parable of the mustard seed

³⁰ Again he said, 'What shall we say the kingdom of God is like, or what parable shall we use to describe it? ³¹ It is like a mustard seed, which is the smallest of all seeds on earth. ³² Yet when planted, it grows and becomes the largest of all garden plants, with such big branches that the birds can perch in its shade.'

³³ With many similar parables Jesus spoke the word to them, as much as they could understand. ³⁴ He did not say anything to them without using a parable. But when he was alone with his own disciples, he explained everything.

PCC MEETING THURSDAY 26 SEPTEMBER, 7.00 P.M

Archdeacon Douglas Dettmer to address PCC.

A Father's Day Prayer

God,
Bless all the fathers in the world. Father, we ask that You guide them to be good role models and loving to their children. We also ask that You help them to be a father like You are. Give them grace and patience to handle situations in a loving way.







New **Church Rota** now available.

Please collect yours from the back of church today.

Thanks

The Archdeacons' Visitation takes place **Tuesday 25th June** at All Saints' Church Torre, Torquay. 7.30 p.m.
Churchwardens and PCC to attend.

All welcome.