

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

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Mon. 20 Jan	7.00 p.m	Monday Night House Group
Wed. 22 Jan	7.30 p.m	Sing for Joy Choir
Thurs. 30 Jan	7.00 p.m	PCC Meeting

For your prayers/praise

For all who are in poor health and those with long term - terminal illnesses, that they feel Your gentle and comforting presence with them and we ask that the Spirit of Jesus be a source of courage and strength to their families and all who walk this journey with them.

We pray for the comfort of Your presence for those who mourn the death of a relative or friend. **Blessed are they who mourn for they will be comforted.**

Uphold our Sunday School team—O Lord, bless our Sunday School and all its future endeavors, that through it we may glorify You, and Your Father, and Your Holy Spirit, now, always, and forever.

Churches and Christian communities worldwide are invited to use this week of Christian Unity to pray together for the unity among churches throughout the year.

For those visiting Lee Abbey soon —that they will deepen their relationship with God and return safely, renewed and refreshed.

*"Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth."
The Lord Almighty is with us.
Psalm 46:10-11*

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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 19 January 2025

We warmly welcome you to our Morning Worship.

Sunday School begins today—pray that God will continue to richly bless all their work.

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

One shall tell another **526**

There is a Redeemer **658**

All my days

Offertory Lord Jesus Christ, **411**

Communion The King is among us **648**

There's a place where the streets shine



The First Reading

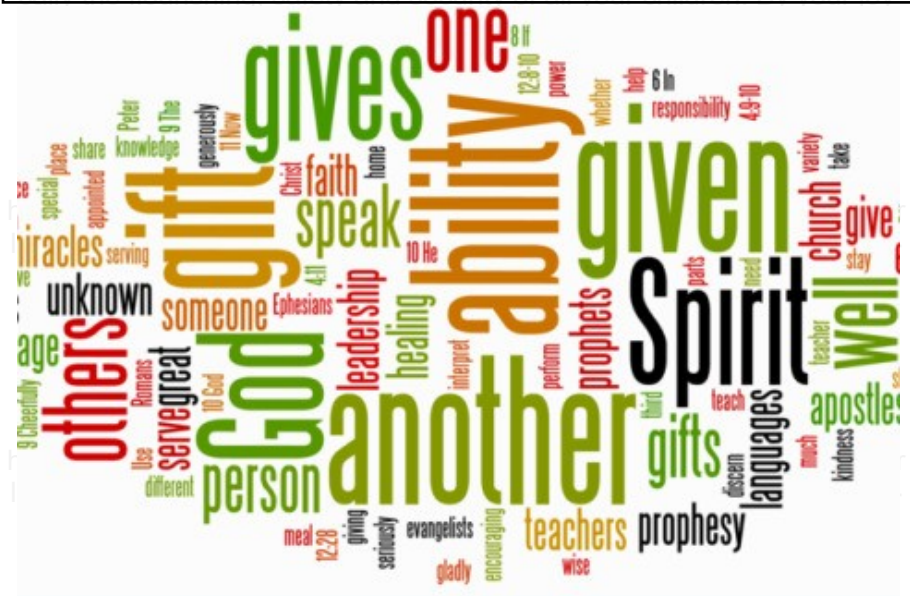
1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Concerning spiritual gifts

12 Now about the gifts of the Spirit, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. ²You know that when you were pagans, somehow or other you were influenced and led astray to dumb idols. ³Therefore I want you to know that no one who is speaking by the Spirit of God says, 'Jesus be cursed,' and no one can say, 'Jesus is Lord,' except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. ⁵There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. ⁶There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work.

⁷Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. ⁸To one there is given through the Spirit a message of wisdom, to another a message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit, ¹⁰to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues,^[a] and to still another the interpretation of tongues.^[b] ¹¹All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he distributes them to each one, just as he determines.



Gospel Reading

John 2:1-11

Jesus changes water into wine

2 On the third day a wedding took place at Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, ²and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, 'They have no more wine.'

⁴'Woman,^[a] why do you involve me?' Jesus replied. 'My hour has not yet come.'

⁵His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.'

⁶Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from eighty to a hundred and twenty litres.

⁷Jesus said to the servants, 'Fill the jars with water'; so they filled them to the brim.

⁸Then he told them, 'Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet.'

They did so, ⁹and the master of the banquet tasted the water that had been turned into wine. He did not realise where it had come from, though the servants who had drawn the water knew. Then he called the bridegroom aside ¹⁰and said, 'Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now.'

¹¹What Jesus did here in Cana of Galilee was the first of the signs through which he revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

Day by day,
dear Lord, of thee
three things I pray:
to see thee more clearly,
love thee more dearly,
follow thee more nearly,
day by day.