WHAT'S ON AT ST JOHN'S		
DATE	TIME	EVENT
Wed. 29 May	7.30 p.m	Sing for Joy Choir
Sat. I June	9.00 a.m	Men's Breakfast Teaspoons Café
Sun. 2 June	10.00 a.m	Morning Worship
Mon. 3 June	8.00 a.m	MONDAY MARKET
Please note Gill & Derek's Landline is back 01803 613728.		Please note our Administrator, Sonia is only in the Church office next Tuesday. There will be no weekly sheet

next Sunday.

#### For your prayers/praise

Pray for our APCM today, decisions, discussions and all who will take up office including our new Warden.

Think about the fruit of the Spirit - love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control (Galatians 5:22) – and pray that we shall nurture and sustain them.

For our unity and love in The Holy Trinity. That we may experience the love of Christ, each and everyone of us.

For all students—for those currently sitting exams, awaiting results, the prom season, for God's care and protection.

Lord, the source of all true love, we thank you for Matthew & Brittany,

Ellis & Ashleigh. Grant to them joy of heart, seriousness of mind and reverence of spirit that as they enter into the oneness of marriage they may be strengthened and guided by you through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pray for those recently bereaved-for peace and the comfort of your presence. For those living in areas of conflict.

We praise God for everything he has created and everything he has given us. Heavenly Father, we thank You for the joys and challenges of parenting. It is not always easy, but it is always worth it.

We especially pray for new Mums & Dads, for strength, wisdom and patience. Help them to remember that Your love is always with them, no matter what they are facing.

### WELCOME TO ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH, SHIPHAY

'A caring fellowship seeking to share the life and love of God' Sunday, 26 May 2024

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Email—stjohnsofficeshiphay@gmail.com 'WELCOME'

We warmly welcome you to our Worship this Trinity Sunday after which we begin our APCM.

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.

# <u>Music</u>

Bless the Lord Father, we love you Offertory Holy, holy, holy Lord God Almighty Communion You are beautiful beyond description Father, we adore you The Splendour of the King



## Romans 8:12-17

<sup>12</sup> Therefore, brothers and sisters, we have an obligation – but it is not to the flesh, to live according to it. <sup>13</sup> For if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live.

<sup>14</sup> For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God. <sup>15</sup> The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship.<sup>[2]</sup> And by him we cry, '*Abba*,<sup>[b]</sup> Father.' <sup>16</sup> The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children. <sup>17</sup> Now if we are children, then we are heirs – heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory.



O Lord, you encompass the whole earth with your most compassionate love. Grant your blessing today to all who are striving to make a better world. I pray, O God, especially for all who are working for laws to be more just, humane, and transparent; for all who are working for peace between the nations; for all who are working to heal and prevent disease; for all who are helping to relieve poverty; for all who are helping the betrayed and abused; for all who are working towards the restoration of the broken unity of your holy Church; for all who preach the gospel; for all who bear witness to Christ in every land and culture. Break down, O Lord, all the forces of violence, cruelty, and evil. Defeat all selfish and power driven schemes and bless everything that is planned in the spirit of Christ and carried out to the honour of his blessed name. Amen.

### John 3:1-17 Jesus teaches Nicodemus

**3** Now there was a Pharisee, a man named Nicodemus who was a member of the Jewish ruling council. <sup>2</sup> He came to Jesus at night and said, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the signs you are doing if God were not with him.'

 $^3$  Jesus replied, 'Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again.  $^{[a]}$ 

<sup>4</sup> 'How can someone be born when they are old?' Nicodemus asked. 'Surely they cannot enter a second time into their mother's womb to be born!'

<sup>5</sup> Jesus answered, 'Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit. <sup>6</sup> Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit<sup>[b]</sup> gives birth to spirit. <sup>7</sup> You should not be surprised at my saying, "You<sup>[c]</sup> must be born again." <sup>8</sup> The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit.'<sup>[d]</sup>

<sup>9</sup> 'How can this be?' Nicodemus asked.

<sup>10</sup> 'You are Israel's teacher,' said Jesus, 'and do you not understand these things? <sup>11</sup> Very truly I tell you, we speak of what we know, and we testify to what we have seen, but still you people do not accept our testimony. <sup>12</sup> I have spoken to you of earthly things and you do not believe; how then will you believe if I speak of heavenly things? <sup>13</sup> No one has ever gone into heaven en except the one who came from heaven – the Son of Man.<sup>[6]</sup> <sup>14</sup> Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up,<sup>[1] 15</sup> that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him.'<sup>[6]</sup>

<sup>16</sup> For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. <sup>17</sup> For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

> For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life John 3:16