St John the Evangelist



Welcome to our

Morning Worship

Sunday 26 November 2023

This Week		
Date	Time	Event
Today	10.00 am	Morning Worship
Mon 27 Nov	9.30 am	NO Team Cleaning in Church
	9.30 am	St. John's Primary School Christmas Service Rehearsal
	1.30 pm	St. John's Primary—Year 1—in Church
	2.00 pm	Chatterbooks—WEB
Tues 28 Nov	10.00 am	Church Open for Individual Quiet and Prayer
	10.15 am	Collective Worship at St. John's Primary
	2.00 pm	Magazine printing in office
	3.30 pm	Messy Church After School Club at St. John's Primary
Wed 29 Nov	9.00 am	Assembling Parish Magazine—WEB
	9.30 10.30 1.45pm	St. John's Primary Christmas Service— Church
	7.00 pm	Advent Reflections on Zoom
Thurs 30 Nov	10.00 am	Christmas Tree Festival—Setting Up
	10.30 am	Community Drop-In
Fri 1 Dec	10.00 am	Christmas Tree Festival—Setting Up

Sat 2 Dec	10.00 am	Church Open for Individual Quiet and Prayer until 12 noon
	10.30 am	Christingle Making
	11.00 am	Christmas Tree Festival—Church and WEB
	7.00 pm	Elvis Tribute Night
Sun 3 Dec	10.00 am	Christingle Service

CHRISTINGLE SERVICE: Our Christingle Service will be on Sunday 3rd December at 10.00 am when we will be joined by the Musical Theatre Group from St. John's Primary School who will be taking part in the service. We will be CHRISTINGLE MAKING on Saturday 2nd December, 10.30 am, in the WEB. If you are able to help with the Christingle making, please let Revd. Helen know.

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL in Church opening SATURDAY 2ND DECEMBER - 11.00am until 3.00pm

The Christmas Tree Festival will be opening on Saturday 2nd December at 11.00am until 3.00pm and you are all invited to come along to view the beautiful decorated trees in Church, you will then be able to meet together to enjoy Refreshments in the WEB, buy tickets for the GRAND CHRISTMAS RAFFLE and have a go on the TOMBOLA STALL.

The GRAND CHRISTMAS DRAW tickets will be sold throughout the day and will continue to be sold during the evening at the ELVIS CONCERT, they will then be drawn at the end of the evening once the concert finishes.

If anyone would like to contribute towards the REFRESHMENTS for that day with Cakes etc it would be appreciated.

CHRISTMAS AFTERNOON TEA - Friday 15th December We will be having a Christmas Afternoon Tea on Friday 15th December in the WEB, further details will be provided for you all after the opening of the Christmas Festival weekend, so hope you can all come along. Tickets £7.00 per head. Please indicate on the sign-up Sheet at back of Church if you would like to attend.

Please remember these people especially in your prayers this week. Why not give them a call or a visit?

Florence Alcock Iris Griffiths

Hazel Bate Ros and Brian Homer

Christine Burrows
John Burrows
Gwen Chilton

Conor Jones
Joan Lent
Rita O'Donnell

Emma Cooper Malcolm and Glenys Pearson

Audrey Davis David Stone

Kate Deakin Brenda Whitmore

PRAYER LIST: Please give any names to Julie Annis in the office should you wish to add anyone to the list. A new list of names will begin on 7 January 2024. Thank you.

We also pray for those You have recently received

In particular the family and friends of:

Phyllis Sharpe Jane Green
David Fullard John Everett



Nativity Scene Raffle

At the back of Church is a knitted Nativity Scene, made and donated to us, by a member of the Thursday 'Drop In' group. She would like it raffled, with the proceeds going to Church Funds. This will be done on a 'Pick a Number' at £1.00 a number. If you would like to have a go, please put your name and phone number on the Sheet and your money in the tin provided. Thank you.

Thank you for all your stamps. I have taken another bag to my contact at Guide Dogs for the Blind. Please continue with your collections. Hopefully you'll get lots of Christmas cards through the post! Jeanette

SUNDAY 17TH DECEMBER, 6.00 pm CAROL SERVICE

SUNDAY 24TH DECEMBER, 4.00 pm CHILDREN'S CRIB SERVICE

To celebrate Jesus' birthday, please bring a gift for a child wrapped in birthday paper - to be donated to The Pathway Project. Please indicate which age the gift is suitable for.

SUNDAY 24TH DECEMBER, 11.00 pm MIDNIGHT MASS

MONDAY 25TH DECEMBER, 10.00 am
CHRISTMAS DAY FAMILY COMMUNION

SUNDAY 24TH DECEMBER: Please note that there will be

NO MORNING SERVICE at St. John's. There will, however, be a Holy Communion Service at Shareshill at 10.00 am.

In the afternoon, there will be a **CRIB SERVICE** at St. John's at 4.00 pm; and Midnight Mass at 11.00 pm.

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