

St John the Evangelist



Welcome to our
Service of Morning Worship
Sunday 16 November 2025

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Office hours: Monday, Thursday & Friday 9.00am—1.00pm

This Week		
Date	Time	Event
Today	10.00 am	Morning Worship
Mon 17 Nov	9.30 am	Team Cleaning
	2.30 pm	Social Committee—WEB
Tues 18 Nov	3.15 pm	Messy Church After School Club at St. John's Primary
Thur 20 Nov	10.00 am	Church Open for Individual Quiet and Prayer until 12 noon
	10.30 am	Community Drop-In until 12 noon
Sat 22 Nov	10.30 am	WEB Open for Tea/Coffee until 11.30 am
Sun 23 Nov	10.00 am	Holy Communion

Welcome to St. John's Church and to today's service. We are delighted to have you with us for our worship.

THANK YOU to everyone who helped with our Remembrance Sunday Service last week - to all those who helped with the service itself and with the refreshments afterwards. It was lovely to welcome so many people and to have such a full Church.

FOODBANK FOR CHRISTMAS: During the weeks leading up to Christmas, we would be grateful in particular for donations of Christmas sweets and biscuits for children and their families which we can pass on to the Food Bank. Thank You.

Our **CHRISTMAS FAIR AND TREE FESTIVAL** is taking place on **SATURDAY 29TH NOVEMBER, 12.00 noon - 3.00 pm.** We are in need of donations for the following stalls: tombola; bottle; Christmas produce for hamper; chocolate bars; packets of sweets; home-made cakes (speak to Carole about the cakes). If you are able to bring in donations for any of these, it will be much appreciated. Thank you.

SUNDAY 30TH NOVEMBER

On this Sunday, there will be **NO MORNING SERVICE AT ST. JOHN'S.** Instead we are joining with our friends at St. Mary and St. Luke for a United Benefice Service at 10.00 am.

There will, however, be a **SUNDAY @ 6.00 SERVICE** with GBand in the evening.

On **Wednesday 3 December** we shall be holding our **Forget-me-not Christmas party.** Father Christmas always visits with gifts for the attendees, so if anyone could donate a small wrapped gift for Santa's sack, we would be very grateful. Just a value of about £3 / £4 is enough, and please give these to Liz, Annette or Hilary. Thank you"

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

Christine Burrows	Dot Simmons
Gwen Chilton	Peter Smith
Emma Cooper	Jim White
Janet Cooper	Eric Whitmore
Mary Edge	Seth Wilson

PRAYER LIST: *Please give any names to Julie Annis in the office should you wish to include anyone on the list.*

We also pray for those You have recently received

In particular the family and friends of:

Rita O'Donnell
Sheila Mills
Joan Lent



CONFIRMATION: If anyone is interested in thinking about confirmation, please speak to Rev. Helen.

CHRISTINGLE: Our Christingle Service will be taking place on Sunday 7th December, 10.00 am. We will be joined by St. John's Primary. We will be making our Christingle Oranges on Saturday 6th December, 11.00 am, in Church. Please do come along and help - 'many hands make light work'!

There will be a concert by the **Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust Staff Choir** in Church on **Thursday, 11 December 2025** from 7.00 pm—until 9.00 pm. Tickets £10 and includes Mince Pie and a drink. Available from Sue Davenport in Church today or from Julie in the office.

All proceeds to the NHS.

ADVENT REFLECTIONS

As we journey through the Advent Season, Revd. Helen will be leading a series of Reflections on Zoom to help us prepare for Christmas.

Everyone is welcome to join us - contact Helen for the Zoom link



Wednesday 26th November, 7.00 pm
'No More Gloom'

Wednesday 3rd December, 7.00 pm
'A Light Has Dawned'

Wednesday 10th December, 7.00 pm
'Shattered Burdens'

Wednesday 17th December, 7.00 pm
'Prince Of Peace'

CHURCH MAGAZINE

Following our recent requests for volunteers to join our production team we thought we had found a way forward. Unfortunately, this is no longer the case.

We are now in urgent need of volunteer(s) specifically to look after our team of distributors and to be responsible for the monthly distribution of the magazine. **Without this additional support we will have to stop producing and distributing the printed form of The Essington Connection at some point early in the New Year.** There would be plenty of training and support from the existing team to help with this important role.

If you think you might be able to assist in this way, please contact Bea Hammond: Tel: 01922-478753 or email: beatrice@bhammond.co.uk as soon as possible and no later than Monday 12 January 2026.

Thank You
The Magazine Team