



St John the Evangelist, Dormansland

Notice Sheet – 17th Sept. 2023

Trinity 15

Services & activities for coming weeks.

Sunday 17th Sept.

10am Parish Communion at St John's (IW)

Introit – *All creatures of our God* (9 – v 1,2,3,5,7), **Offertory** – *Through the night* (517 – v 1,2,3,7,8), **Communion** – *Make me a channel* (328), **Post Communion** – *Lead us heavenly Father* (293)

Monday 18th – Thursday 21st Sept. - 9am 'Morning Prayer' on Zoom the link is -

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81989590555?pwd=MUNnb0NwaUpUbHBiMnQzVm9wd0Q4UT09>

Meeting ID: 819 8959 0555 Passcode: 149674

**Wed. 20th Sept. – 10am Communion Service at St John's (NH)
8pm Compline 'on zoom' (CC)**

NEXT SUNDAY

Sunday 24th Sept. – Trinity 16

8am – Holy Communion

10am – Parish Communion St John's (NH)

SUNDAY ACTIVITIES

SERVICE PATTERN

The pattern of services for Sunday, at present, is a 10am Communion each week with an 8am services on the 1st, 2nd, and 4th Sundays (3rd, 10th & 24th Sept).

OFFERTORY

The offertory is now being collected during the Service. There is a contactless machine by the table as you come in. Follow the instructions and alter the amount as

you wish. There is also a QR code (on the church wall with instructions and on this notice sheet), for payment by mobile phone.

CLEANING

Many thanks to our dust busters for last time's church cleaning. We do hope you are able to stay and help on Sunday 24th September!

REGULAR WEEKDAY ACTIVITIES

INFORMAL SERVICE

The 5pm Informal Service will be taking a break until further notice. Many thanks Vanessa.

THE COMMUNITY HUB

There has been no take up, at St John's, from the village in the 9-10 week that this has been running. It has therefore been decided that changes are necessary. For the rest of the summer a community space will be available on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday every month in the Centenary Room from **10am -12noon**. These are slots at St John's that are already used by church and other villagers so should be better frequented. There will be available refreshments and the opportunity to sit and chat. Everyone is welcome. We will look again at this in the Autumn.

MEETING UP

It was decided at the PCC, that Meeting UP will open again on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday's every month at present, to offset the closure of other times of the Community Hub at St John's. The 3rd Tuesday will be run by various individuals offering drinks and biscuits. The idea will be to advertise these slots a tea/coffee and chat opportunities.

SUNDAY SMILERS

I am looking for helpers so that we can extend this to include the 4th Sunday each month. I already have one volunteer. I will need people who can share the teaching and fun activities with our wonderfully positive children. Please see Nigel urgently if you can help.

HOME GROUPS

The group will continue to meet every Monday evening at the Vicarage. Please contact Nigel for further details.

OTHER NOTICES FOR ST JOHN'S

BIBLE READING FELLOWSHIP

Will anyone who would like to start receiving the Bible reading Fellowship 'New Daylight, notes, or who wishes to change their existing order, please contact Graham Taylor. The next issue covers the four months from January to April 2024 and will cost to new readers £4.95. (Existing readers have already paid)'

CONFIRMATION

There will be an opportunity to be Confirmed by the Bishop on the **12th November 2023 at 4:30pm at Lingfield Parish Church**. If you have not been confirmed and would like to consider it or just make an enquiry, then please see Ian.

CHOIR

The choir is rehearsing most Fridays from 7-8pm in church. Mary Byers is leading this and would encourage anyone, of any age, who enjoys singing to come along and sample a session. To find out more please email mary.byers@btinternet.com and she will answer any questions you have about what is involved.

CRAWLEY OPEN HOUSE

Items required this month are: Jars of pasta sauce, Jars of jam, Tins of spaghetti, Biscuits, Breakfast cereals, Toilet rolls. Please place them in the box at the back of the Church.

HARVEST LUNCH

Please Put your name on one list so that we have an idea of numbers and then on the other list if you are able, sign against which of the listed food items you might be able to provide. Many thanks Rosemary Williams.

EVENTS ELSEWHERE (chronologically)

ST BERNARD'S CHURCH, LINGFIELD – Saturday Lunches

A free simple lunch is offered in St Bernard's on the last Saturday of every month from 12:30pm. **The next one will be on Saturday 30th September.**

CLARIDGE HOUSE – HAPPY CAFÉ

A meet up morning the first Wednesday of every month from 10.30am- 12.00pm. Everyone welcome, free tea, coffee, biscuits, and friendly chat. The next meet up is the **4th October**.

SUPPORT GROUP FOR EPILEPSY AND LEARNING DIFFICULTIES

On Wednesday 20th September from 1:30-3pm, Revd Ian Whitley & Lisa O'Brien (Epilepsy Nurse Consultant) will be hosting a supportive group at St Peter & St Paul's Church, Lingfield, to help you navigate this complex road and meet other people in similar situations. The programme will be led by you to meet your needs. A chance to meet other parents/carers who support someone with epilepsy and/or learning difficulties. Free tea and coffee, a smile and someone to talk to.

MESSY VINTAGE

Come and join us on the **1st Wednesday of the month, 1:30pm-3pm** at Lingfield Community Centre. We sing, create crafts, have a thought for the day & enjoy tea & cake. **The next one is Wednesday 4th October.** See you there.

POETRY PAMPHLET

Kevin Scully's poetry pamphlet, *For the Journey*, fruit of his year as Poet in Residence to the Cuckmere Pilgrim Path in Sussex, is now available. If you would like a copy (£5.00) let him know on revkevwrites@outlook.com

REFUGEES WELCOME CRAWLEY

Desperately need suitcases, holdalls, and rucksacks to help refugees (mostly under 25) given leave to remain (at last) in the hotel airports for the last 2 years and now being chucked out with no help at all with housing, benefits and work opportunities (which is what they want to do). Please have a sort out and bring these items St Peter & St Paul Church, Lingfield on Sunday or give to Ian after this week's service. If you anyone can offer a temporary room, please contact Sue Joy. EG 835190. Thank you.

The office is open 9:30am-12:30pm Monday – Friday, not Tuesday. Contact Ellie on 01342 832021 or email at officelingfieldppchurch@gmail.com

This is the QR code for anyone wishing to make a donation towards the work of St John's via their mobile phone.

