



St John's, Stoneleigh

Weekly Newsletter

26th September 2021

READINGS

Matthew 28:16-20
Colossians 4:2-6

MUSIC

Praise my soul the King of Heaven (MP 560)
As we are gathered Jesus is here (MP 38)
Seek ye first the Kingdom of God (MP590)
Here is love vast as the ocean (MP 987)
Name of All Majesty (MP 481)

A MESSAGE FROM REV. KEN HOBBS

Welcome to our service this morning here in St John's and at home. We welcome as our visiting preacher Tom Price who is member of Archbishops Justin Welby's team who are in the diocese this weekend.

On the subject of visiting speakers I am delighted to say that Bishop Andrew will be our guest preacher at our Harvest Festival next Sunday October 3rd. That service will include members of the unformed organisations (back after 18 months) and senior scout officers for the presentation of a Silver Wolf award to Viv Frisby in recognition of her long service to scouting.

On Sunday October 10th the Communion service will move to 9:30am and the "Worship for Everyone" service will be at 11:00am. Please join us at one or other of these services. Coffee will be at 10:30am. Please join with us in prayer that God will bless the new initiative and new impetus and new opportunity that is given to us as we work together for a bright future for St John's.

God bless you
Ken

CHRISTIAN RESOURCES EXHIBITION

CRE will be at Sandown Park from 12-14 October. For more information or tickets, please visit <https://creonline.co.uk/cre-national-2021-sandown-park/>

Rev. Ken Hobbs

TOM PRICE

Tom Price is a lecturer and a public communicator about Christian belief. He was made an Archbishop's Evangelist in 2019. He studied Philosophy at university and later completed an MA in Christian Apologetics, and is currently undertaking doctoral research in theology, philosophy and film.

Rev. Ken Hobbs

PARISH MAGAZINE

A big thankyou to Mike Gittins, Geoff, Kerrie and all who have contributed to the production and distribution Spare copies are available for any other friends and a couple of roads need to be covered.

Rev. Ken Hobbs

THURSDAY COFFEE MORNING

Thursday morning coffee via Zoom at 10:30am is still taking place. For the Zoom link, please email the office.

Rev. Ken Hobbs

KEEPING IN TOUCH AND PRAYERS

The WhatsApp group, Facebook and website will continue to be updated so please keep in touch. Any prayer requests for the prayer board can still be submitted to Jean Tutton.

Rev. Ken Hobbs

SUNDAY SERVICES

All live services in church are now being streamed via <https://stoneleigh.tv>. Any problems, please let us know. For those joining manually the code you need is 9655 8696378. To join using the telephone, please dial 020 3051 2874 You will be asked to enter the meeting ID followed by # (hash). Key in: 96558696378#. You will be asked for a personal ID, just press # again and you will be connected to the Service.

Tim Rogers

HARVEST FESTIVAL

I am delighted to announce that Bishop Andrew will be joining us on 3rd October at our Harvest Festival.

Rev. Ken Hobbs

STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

Thank you to those who have already returned your stewardship form. If you're yet to return yours, please bring it along on Sunday, alternatively please put it in the red box in the welcome area at another convenient time. Thank you.

Rev. Geoff Andrew

SUNDAY 10TH OCTOBER

Following the TWAM event on Saturday the 9th, the halls will be out of use and coffee will be served at 10:30am in church after the 9:30am service and as people arrive for 11am. This is also a test run for the safe and efficient serving of refreshments in the church on a regular basis so that it can become the meeting point between the two congregations.

Rev. Ken Hobbs

PROGRAMME CARDS

Programme cards for Autumn 2021 are available at the front of church. The theme is 'Building for the Future, the Story of Nehemiah'. Please take one home.

Rev. Ken Hobbs

FOODBANK

Just when we start to get used to one crisis we are faced with another. The gas problem looks as if it will affect those currently struggling to make ends meet even more than the rest of us who may be more fortunate. Please include in your prayers the people who must go to bed at night worrying about what will hit them next and how they are going to cope. Prayers are also needed for the organisations who have had a long two years stretched to the limit in supporting the most needy in the community. If you are able to donate any of the items listed

below or cash as well as prayers it would be most welcome. Please never feel obligated though - we appreciate that it is difficult for some and other folk may also be trying to support other charities at this time and have nothing left for the Foodbank.

This week's required items are:-

Nappies – size 5+ (URGENT), Shaving foam, Kids toothbrushes, Female & male deodorant, Meat pies, Shampoo, Long life sponge puddings, Powdered Milk, Shower gel, Squash, Tinned fruit, Bags for Life - we urgently need these

Please, no more donations of the following items at this time: pasta, baked beans, porridge, baby shampoo, tampons, sanitary towels, marmalade, cat/dog food, adult toothbrushes.

Cash donations should always be placed in an envelope marked Foodbank please and may be handed to a welcomer or Janis Forder in church or put through the door of 95 Stoneleigh Park Avenue. Thank you one and all.

Polly Elder

START COURSE

I will be running a 'Start' course over 6 weeks from Wednesday 3rd November. For more information, please see the flyer which is available at the front of church or speak to me.

Rev. Geoff Andrew

Order of Service

Theme "Real Faith in uncertain times"

"Don't fret or worry. Instead of worrying pray! Let petitions and praises shape your worries into prayers, letting God know your concerns.... It is wonderful what happens when Christ displaces worry at the centre of your life" (Phil 4.6 in the "Message" translation)

Greeting p5

Hymn Praise my soul the King of Heaven (MP 560)

Confession p7

Collect for the Day

Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you: pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself, and so bring us at last to your heavenly city where we shall see you face to face; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Hymn As we are gathered Jesus is here (MP 38)

Colossians 4:2-6 read by Chris Redrup

Devote yourselves to prayer, keeping alert in it with thanksgiving. At the same time pray for us as well that God will open to us a door for the word, that we may declare the mystery of Christ, for which I am in prison, so that I may reveal it clearly, as I should.

Conduct yourselves wisely towards outsiders, making the most of the time. Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer everyone.

Matthew 28:16-20 read by Chris Redrup

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given

to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

Sermon Tom Price

Creed p14

Hymn Seek ye first the Kingdom of God (MP590)

Prayers Ken Mussell

Peace p17

Hymn Here is love vast as the ocean (MP 987)

Communion Prayer p 33

Lords Prayer p 18

Prayer of Humble Access p20

Distribution of Communion (music may be played)

Prayer after Communion p22

Hymn Name of All Majesty (MP 481)

Blessing p23

Book of Remembrance
Douglas Perry, Chris Greene
Arthur Duthie