



# St John's, Stoneleigh Weekly Newsletter

30<sup>th</sup> October 2022

## A MESSAGE FROM REV. KEN HOBBS

Welcome to our worship at St Johns and at home for our services today. Apart from our regular Sunday morning worship at 9.30 and 11.00 we have a special service today at 3.00 pm which we call "Remembering Loved Ones". This is an opportunity in the season of All Saints to reflect and give thanks for the lives of those who have gone before. There will be an opportunity to light a candle and names will be read out. Tea will be served in the St Johns Centre afterwards.

It was good to have had Paul and Fiona with us last weekend and we give thanks for their music and their message.

God bless you.

*Rev Ken Hobbs*

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

**November 26<sup>th</sup>** at 7.30pm Bryn Haworth

## SOUND AND VISION AT ST JOHN'S

We are very grateful for all the commitment and work done by Tim Rogers, Will Rogers, Nick Hamilton, Margaret Hobbs and Dennis Marshall.

We would love to have a couple of other people to reinforce this team working the laptop and/or the sound desk. Speak to Tim if you might be available to help and training will be given.

*Rev. Ken Hobbs*

## BISHOP JO BAILEY WELLS

It has been announced that Bishop Jo Bailey Wells (who preached for us at Harvest) has been appointed to a new post as 'Bishop for Episcopal Ministry in the Anglican Communion'. It's a role that has grown out of the recent Lambeth Conference - to follow up its work and to continue to build friendship and fellowship between bishops and provinces around the Communion. Jo will be really missed in the Guildford diocese, but we wish her every blessing in her new role which begins in January.

*Rev. Geoff Andrew*

## REMEMBERING LOVED ONES - Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October 3.00pm

You are all invited to join us to remember those we have loved who have passed away. We will be reading out the names of those we want to remember during the service.

## CAKES TO BE SERVED AT OUR REMEMBERING LOVED ONES SERVICE - Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October at 3pm

Some of you have kindly responded to the call for homemade cakes to serve after this service, any other cakes will be gratefully received, refreshments will be served in the Parish Centre. Thank you.

*Social Committee*

## SEASON OF MUSIC AT ST JOHN'S

We have the legendary slide guitarist and singer songwriter Bryn Haworth (November 26) and a return performance from

Epsom Rock Choir (9<sup>th</sup> December). You can sign up for tickets at the front of church or buy directly from the St John's website. Please come and support and bring your friends.

*Rev. Geoff Andrew*

## CHRISTMAS CAROL CONCERT

We will be holding our Christmas Carol Concert on **Sunday December 18<sup>th</sup> at 6.30pm**. Please save the date and we would love as many of you as possible to join the choir. Dates for rehearsals will be published in this newsletter next week and there will be a sign up sheet at the front of the church for those of you who wish to participate.

*Chris Webb*

## SUNDAY SERVICES

Our 9.30am service is streamed via <https://stoneleigh.tv>. Any problems, please let us know.

*Tim Rogers*

## UKRAINE CRISIS APPEAL

Priority List:

The crisis appeal is very low on toiletries, eg shower gel, shampoo and soaps.

Please no more clothes at the present apart from thermal clothing and socks.

## DONATING TO ST JOHN'S



If you would like to contribute financially to the work of St John's, you can donate using this QR code. Using your smartphone's camera will take you straight to a page where you can make a donation using a credit card. Thank you.

*Rev. Geoff Andrew*



## FLOWERS FOR THE CHURCH

Please speak to Anne Andrew if you would like to donate flowers to be displayed in the church, perhaps in memory of a loved one or for a special occasion. We would be delighted to hear from you and write a dedication to go in the newsletter and be displayed in the church.

*Anne Andrew*

## FOODBANK

The WI members joined us in donating this week - thank you to them. It made me giggle when one lady presented me with a huge collection of long-life bags and said she'd been itching to reduce the pile in her brother's house for ages!

**This week the Foodbank urgently needs:** - Sugar in 500g bags please, Long life sponge puddings, Custard, Tinned Meat, Long -life juice, Tinned pasta with meat, Instant mash, Ketchup, Crisps (multipacks), Nappies Size 6+

**Please, no more:** washing up liquid, pasta, pulses, non-dairy milk, peanut butter, baby wash.

Thank you everybody.

**Polly Elder**

### **PCC MEETING – TUESDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER AT 7.30PM**

The next meeting of the PCC will be on Tuesday 8th November. If there are any items you would like discussed under Any Other Business please let Sue Pennington know before the meeting ([suepennington@uwclub.net](mailto:suepennington@uwclub.net)).

**Sue Pennington**

### **TODDLERS – HELP NEEDED TO SERVE REFRESHMENTS**

One of our team is leaving at the end of December and we are looking for someone else to join the rota to serve refreshments. This only happens, at most, once a month and does not include helping during the school holidays as Toddlers is closed during that time. If you feel you are able to help, please contact Gin: [gin.yershon@googlemail.com](mailto:gin.yershon@googlemail.com). **Gin Yershon, Toddlers**

### **BRIDGES NEPAL**

On Sunday November 6, Lynne Coppin will give a short presentation with slides at the 11am service describing her mission trip to Nepal earlier this year. Lynn and Adrian's daughter, Sally and her husband Yagya run Bridges Nepal, an NGO that brings hope, restoration and social transformation to the people of Nepal.

**Order of Service for 9.30am** From our worship booklets  
Greeting p5

Confession p7

**The Lords my Shepherd (“I will trust in you alone”) MP 1008**

### **Collect for the Day**

Almighty and eternal God, you have kindled the flame of love in the hearts of the saints: grant to us the same faith and power of love, that, as we rejoice in their triumphs, we may be sustained by their example and fellowship; 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.

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading Romans 8 v31-39**

**Graham Waller**

<sup>31</sup> What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? <sup>32</sup> He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all – how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? <sup>33</sup> Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. <sup>34</sup> Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died – more than that, who was raised to life – is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us. <sup>35</sup> Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? <sup>36</sup> As it is written: ‘For your sake we face death all day long; we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered.’ <sup>37</sup> No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. <sup>38</sup> For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons,<sup>[b]</sup> neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, <sup>39</sup> neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**Gospel Reading John 20 v19-31**

**Graham Waller**

<sup>19</sup> On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, ‘Peace be with you!’ <sup>20</sup> After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup> Again Jesus said, ‘Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.’ <sup>22</sup> And with that he breathed on them and said, ‘Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup> If you forgive anyone’s sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven.’

### **Jesus appears to Thomas**

<sup>24</sup> Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup> So the other disciples told him, ‘We have seen the Lord!’ But he said to them, ‘Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe. <sup>26</sup> A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, ‘Peace be with you!’ <sup>27</sup> Then he said to Thomas, ‘Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe.’ <sup>28</sup> Thomas said to him, ‘My Lord and my God!’ <sup>29</sup> Then Jesus told him, ‘Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.’ <sup>30</sup> Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. <sup>31</sup> But these are written that you may believe<sup>[b]</sup> that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name. Thomas said to him, ‘My Lord and my God!’

Sermon Rev Ken Hobbs

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Prayers p15 Ken Mussell

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**Hymn Broken for me Broken for you (MP66)**

Communion Prayer p33

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Prayer of Humble Access p20

Distribution of Bread (music may be played)

Prayer after Communion p22

**Hymn For all the Saints (MP 148)**

Blessing p23

**From Our Book of Remembrance**

Adrian Michael Eagle

Cath Jones

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