



# St John's, Stoneleigh Weekly Newsletter

16th October 2022

## A MESSAGE FROM REV. KEN HOBBS

Welcome to our worship at St Johns and at home at 9.30am and 11.00am.

A big thankyou to everyone who has contributed to the needs of the food bank, Ukraine and recently the local refugees living in the parish and also to all those who supported the refugee afternoon tea event yesterday

We will keep you informed of needs as they arise. Next weekend we have Paul Jones (ex Manfred Mann) and his wife Fiona as our guests and they will be sharing their faith and music on Saturday evening and they will take part in both services next Sunday. It is not too late to get a ticket for Saturday evening by signing up on the list by the door.

While on the subject of "lists", please sign up for the Remembering Loved Ones service on Sunday Oct 30<sup>th</sup> at 3 pm and also the Bryn Haworth Concert on Nov 26<sup>th</sup>

God bless you

*Rev Ken Hobbs*

## Sound and Vision at St Johns

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*

## Forthcoming Events

**October 22<sup>nd</sup>** 7.30pm An Evening of Faith and Music with Paul Jones and Fiona Handley

**October 23<sup>rd</sup>** 9.30 and 11.00 Paul and Fiona will be joining us at both services

**October 30<sup>th</sup>** 3 pm Remembering Loved Ones

## Remembering Loved Ones: Sunday 30th 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. If there is a name(s) you would like to be included please add them to the list on the table at the front of church or email me, if possible by **Sunday 23rd October**.

We would like to provide refreshments in the hall after the service. Unfortunately, I will not be able to organise this this year. If you could help with this please speak to me. Jean Tutton [jean.tutton@ntlworld.com](mailto:jean.tutton@ntlworld.com)/020 8393 3687

## SEASON OF MUSIC AT ST JOHN'S

This Autumn, St John's is hosting a series of music and entertainment evenings under the heading 'Season of Music at

St John's.' an entertaining evening with former pop star Paul Jones and his wife Fiona Hendley as they share songs and stories of faith (October 22), a concert with locally based Christian blues musician and 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*

## TOGETHER AT CHRISTMAS

We have some exciting news. Steve Lee has a small team prepared to run 'Together at Christmas' for the first time since covid hit.

If any of you don't know, this is a Christmas Day meal at one of the churches, for those who otherwise may be alone, for people within the Epsom and Ewell churches area.

## 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:

Food in jars, pot noodles, energy and protein bars, rice, pasta, coffee, tea, baby food, baby formula, toiletries, cleaning materials.

## RENE GRACE – ICONS AND BOOKS

Rene's family has very kindly donated icons and books collected by Rene over the years. If you wish to take any of these please do so. Rene's family has requested that any donations for these items go to St John's.

## 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*

## CRAFT CLUB

Monday, 17th October is the date of the next Craft Club. Bring your crafting and join us in the Parish Room from 10am to 12 noon. All are welcome. See you there! *Veronica Gittins*



## 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

This week three of us attended one of the events to mark the Tenth Anniversary of the Foodbank. It was an occasion to pass on their thanks for all the support over the years - which we accepted on your behalf. It was also an opportunity to outline the increased demand on the Service, how they've coped with it and the plans for the future. We will discuss how we will put it all in such a way that it is suitable for the website and also how our support might stay as it is or grow as you wish. Your support to date has been magnificent and St Johns has many demands on it just now, so we won't be rushing to make suggestions.

**They urgently need:** Tinned Meat (we have lots of corned beef), Custard, Long Life Fruit Juice, Long Life Milk, Chocolate/Treats, Crisps, Tinned Fruit, Long Life Sponge Puddings, Coffee, Cereal Bars Female/Male Deodorant, Shampoo/Conditioner, Instant Mash, Ketchup, Sugar (500g bags, and Adult Toothbrushes/Toothpaste.

**Please, no more of these items for the present:** Dog Food, Washing up Liquid, Pasta, Pulses, Non-Dairy Milk, Peanut Butter, Baby Wash.

*They would also appreciate any bags for life/very strong bags.*

**Polly Elder**

## GEETHA SRINIVASAN'S FUNERAL

Geetha's funeral will be held on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> October at 12.00 at Stoneleigh Methodist Church.

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

**"This is love not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins" (1 John 4 v 10)**

Greeting p5

**Hymn: Love Divine** (MP 449)

Confession p8

**Hymn: The Lords My Shepherd ("I will trust in you alone")** (MP 1008)

**Collect – 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us your gift of faith that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to that which is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; 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.

**1st Reading: 1 Cor 3 v 1-9**

**Margaret Hobbs**

Brothers and sisters, I could not address you as people who live by the Spirit but as people who are still worldly – mere infants in Christ. <sup>2</sup>I gave you milk, not solid food, for you were not yet ready for it. Indeed, you are still not ready. <sup>3</sup>You are still worldly. For since there is jealousy and quarrelling among you, are you not worldly? Are you not acting like mere humans? <sup>4</sup>For when one says, 'I follow Paul,' and another, 'I follow Apollos,' are you not mere human beings?<sup>5</sup> What, after all, is Apollos? And what is Paul? Only servants, through whom

you came to believe – as the Lord has assigned to each his task. <sup>6</sup>I planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God has been making it grow. <sup>7</sup>So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God, who makes things grow. <sup>8</sup>The one who plants and the one who waters have one purpose, and they will each be rewarded according to their own labour. <sup>9</sup>For we are fellow workers in God's service; you are God's field, God's building.

**Gospel Reading: Mark 10 v35 - 45**

**Margaret Hobbs**

<sup>35</sup> Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to him. 'Teacher,' they said, 'we want you to do for us whatever we ask.'<sup>36</sup> 'What do you want me to do for you?' he asked.<sup>37</sup> They replied, 'Let one of us sit at your right and the other at your left in your glory.'<sup>38</sup> 'You don't know what you are asking,' Jesus said. 'Can you drink the cup I drink or be baptised with the baptism I am baptised with?'<sup>39</sup> 'We can,' they answered. Jesus said to them, 'You will drink the cup I drink and be baptised with the baptism I am baptised with, <sup>40</sup>but to sit at my right or left is not for me to grant. These places belong to those for whom they have been prepared.'<sup>41</sup> When the ten heard about this, they became indignant with James and John. <sup>42</sup> Jesus called them together and said, 'You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. <sup>43</sup>Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, <sup>44</sup>and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. <sup>45</sup>For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.'

**Sermon:** Rev Ken Hobbs

Creed p13

Prayers

**Chris Redrup**

Peace p17

**Hymn: There is a Redeemer** (MP 673)

Communion Prayer p31

Lords Prayer p18

Prayer of humble Access p20

**Distribution of Communion** (music may be played)

Prayer after Communion p22

**Hymn: The Spirit lives to see us free** (MP 664)

Blessing p23

**From Our Book of Remembrance**

Charles Bracewell Senior

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