

**St John the Divine Church, Selsdon**  
**15<sup>th</sup> April 2018**  
**The Third Sunday of Easter**

**Welcome to St John's!**

Welcome to everyone! If you're a newcomer or a visitor to St John's we have great pleasure in welcoming you today. All you need for this service is contained in the service booklet you have been given and below are details of the hymns, readings and prayers we'll be using – we'll sing the hymns from the hymn books you have been given. **Hymns numbered 1-799 can be found in the green hymnbook. Hymns numbered 800 and above can be found in the blue books.** We hope you enjoy worshipping here. After the 10am service, tea and coffee are served in the church hall, to which you are warmly invited. Hosts today to welcome you are Eunice Sinclair, Monica Turton and Janice White - do come and say hello! There'll be a special celebration this morning...Eunice, Monica and Janice are chalking up 200 years between them!

**PLEASE TAKE THIS LEAFLET HOME WITH YOU!**

**The Opening Prayer:**

God of all the prophets, you fulfilled your promise of old that your Christ would suffer and so rise to glory. Open our minds to understand the Scriptures and fill us with joyful wonder in the presence of the risen Christ, that we may be his witnesses to the farthest reaches of the earth. We ask this through Jesus Christ, the first-born from the dead, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**Post Communion Prayer:**

Living God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**Hymns at the 10am service:**

First hymn:	375 Lord of the dance
Gradual hymn:	867 Lord thy church on earth is seeking
Offertory hymn:	351 Come ye faithful, raise the anthem
Communion hymn	903 Word that formed creation, earth and sea and sky
Last hymn:	866 We meet as friends at table

**Choir anthem today:** It is a thing most wonderful *Peter Moore*

**Prayers today are led by:** Anne Skinner

### **First Reading** *read by Andrew Brown*

Peter addressed the people, 'You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.'

'And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.'

*Acts 3.12-19*

### **Gospel reading**

While the eleven and their companions were talking about what they had heard, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, 'Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.' And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you - that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.' Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.'

*Luke 24.36b-48*

**We want to look after everyone in church today!** Parents and carers can help by supervising their children at all times.

**Please help us to keep everyone safe in church!** Small children running around can so easily trip or tip something over and hurt themselves or others. Please try to keep children out of the sanctuary area (where the altar is) during the service and out of reach of the candles!

**We hope you enjoy using our Children's Area** – a special part of the church where parents/carers and children can share the service together, perhaps using the toys, books and puzzle sheets provided. If you have any suggestions on how we can make it even better, or help you enjoy the service more with your child, please let Jenny know.

**For your prayers:**

**We pray for God's love to surround:**

Cindy Hunt

**We pray for those who have died recently:**

Eileen Asbridge

**We pray for loved ones on the anniversary of their death:**

17<sup>th</sup> April Hildegard Willis (2016)

18<sup>th</sup> April John Russell Lewin (2013)

Sue Brookes (2014)

Julie Miller (2017)

20<sup>th</sup> April Philip Dobson (1996)

21<sup>st</sup> April Guy Edie (1996)

David Squibb (2010)

**Please also remember in your prayers Matthew John Arthur King being baptised later this morning**

**If you'd like prayer either for yourself or for another, please contact Jenny at [jennyrowley@waitrose.com](mailto:jennyrowley@waitrose.com) or 0208 657 2343. And if you would like to include the name of a loved one among the list of the departed on the anniversary of their death, please give details to Jenny.**

**If you'd like to discuss arranging a baptism (christening), a wedding or a funeral, please call Jenny on 0208 657 2343.**

**Please give NOTICES for inclusion in the weekly service sheet to Jenny ([jennyrowley@waitrose.com](mailto:jennyrowley@waitrose.com)) preferably by e-mail, or in writing. It would be helpful to receive these before **\* Tuesday \*** each week.**



**St John's Website**  
 The website for our church can be found at  
[www.stjohnsselsdon.org.uk](http://www.stjohnsselsdon.org.uk)



**We have a Facebook page. To join the page search for:  
 St John the Divine Selsdon**  
**The page is there to let you know of events taking place at the church.**



**PUBLICITY** - St John's has a Publicity Group to publicize special events and services. If you would like to promote or advertise an event etc., please contact Amanda in the Parish office on 0208 657 9466 or [bookingsstjohns@gmail.com](mailto:bookingsstjohns@gmail.com)

**If you'd like to book the Church Hall or Morris Chapman Room please call  
 Amanda Sinclair on 07958 682 103  
 or e-mail [bookingsstjohns@gmail.com](mailto:bookingsstjohns@gmail.com)**



**CHILDREN AND HOLY COMMUNION**

Children are welcome at God's table – if you are baptised, but do not receive the bread and wine, but think you might like to, you could consider asking to be admitted to Communion.

If you think you might be ready to make this next step in your Christian journey, and would like to receive the bread and wine at our services, or just want to find out more, please speak to Jenny.

If you are a grown-up and want to know more about this important development in our life together, please pick up a leaflet from the back of church.

**Meeting God in the Silence**

**Mondays 6pm-6.30pm**

*An opportunity to share a time of quiet in the Lady Chapel.  
 Led by Susan Oakes and friends.*

**ALL WELCOME**



# **There's a new way to donate to St John's Church, Selsdon.**

From your phone,  
simply TEXT **SJCH05** and the amount you would like to donate  
to **70070**

for example:  
**SJCH05 £10 to 70070**  
(to donate £10)

You can even Gift Aid your donation by Text or e-mail to make it worth another  
25% at no extra cost to you.

## **THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY**

And if you'd like to make your donation  
specifically to the Garden Room Project,  
please

Text **SJGR05** with your  
amount to **70070**  
for example  
text **SJGR05 £10 to 70070**  
(to donate £10)



Today after the service in the hall there will  
be fizz and nibbles to celebrate  
Monica turning 70 Janice turning 60 and  
Eunice turning 70 please come along to  
celebrate !!!

**Also this will be the last service for Margaret Rutland as she is moving to  
Wilhelmina House please come and say goodbye.**

## **CHURCHWARDENS (Don't read this, Tom!)**

During the year, Zyggy, stepped down as Churchwarden, and at the Annual Meeting on 22<sup>nd</sup> April, Tom, our remaining churchwarden will also "retire". Recognising all that both our churchwardens have brought to St John's over several years of faithful service, we will be making a collection, which will be divided between them. If you'd like to contribute, please give your contribution to Marguerite Sparks or to Sue Tilley before the end of today, Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> April. **THANK YOU!**

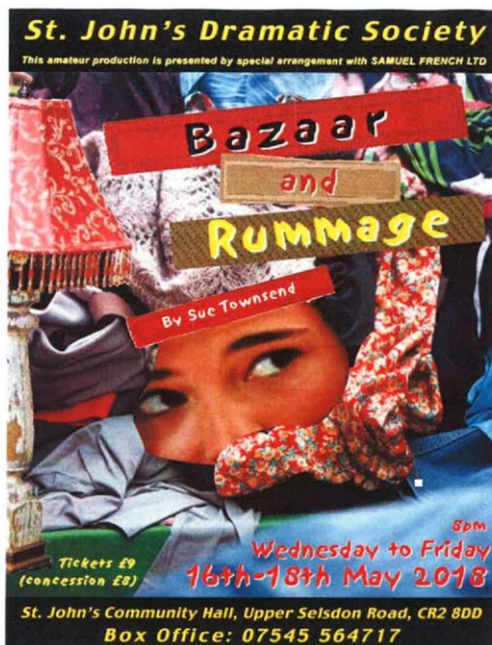
***And if you'd like to consider being a Churchwarden,  
please speak to Tom or to Jenny!***



**!!!! Book Sale !!!!!**  
**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> April after the  
10am service in the church hall**



**Please bring your pennies and  
get some bargains**



**We are looking out for  
helpers to help out with the  
refreshments on the play  
evenings Wed 16<sup>th</sup>, Thurs 17<sup>th</sup>  
and Fri 18<sup>th</sup> May**

**Please let Gill Salter know if  
you are able to lend a hand on  
one of these evenings**

**All proceeds from  
refreshments and the raffle  
will go towards the Garden  
Room Project**

## A National Garden Token



*A token gesture of National songs  
and ditties  
associated with the garden*

*Played by the Sylvan  
Handbell Ringers*

*on*

*Wednesday 2nd May 2018*

*at 2.00 pm*

*in*

*St. John the Divine Church Hall*

*(Upper Selsdon Road)*

*Free admission*

*(including Afternoon Tea)*



*Donations in aid of the Garden Room Project*

### **Church Gardening**

Time to get back to gardening after the winter, so pop these dates in your diary!

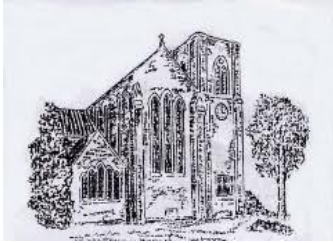
#### **Gardening Dates for your diary**

**5<sup>th</sup> May, 26<sup>th</sup> May, 23<sup>rd</sup> June and 21<sup>st</sup> July**

You don't need to be Monty Don- just an ability to pull a few weeds, prune a shrub or even litterpick. We meet at 10am for approx. two hours each session- please bring your own tools. The Rector supplies the coffee!!



**Michael Lishmund -86512760**



## ST JOHN'S SELSDON GARDEN ROOM

A COMFORTABLE AND WELCOMING SPACE FOR CHURCH  
AND COMMUNITY GROUPS TO USE AND ENJOY

**A BRICK WALL HAS APPEARED AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH**  
IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO **MAKE A DONATION** TOWARDS THE BUILDING OF  
THE GARDEN ROOM, PERHAPS IN MEMORY OF A LOVED ONE OR IN  
THANKSGIVING FOR AN EVENT eg. AN ANNIVERSARY OR SIGNIFICANT  
BIRTHDAY, OR IN CELEBRATION OF AN ACHIEVEMENT, PLEASE TAKE A  
"BRICK DONATION" PACK FROM THE BACK OF THE CHURCH.

SIMPLY FILL IN THE FORM AND RETURN IT TO A CHURCHWARDEN  
OR TO GILL SALTER 21 RYLANDES ROAD, SOUTH CROYDON CR2 8EB WITH  
YOUR DONATION.

*When you've made your donation, please choose a brick on the wall at the back of  
church*

*and write on it a name or a message so we can share remembrances and  
celebrations as the project progresses*

ALL COMPLETED FORMS WILL BE KEPT SO WE HAVE A RECORD OF  
CONTRIBUTORS AND REMEMBRANCES TO DISPLAY  
ONCE THE GARDEN ROOM IS BUILT

IF YOU WOULD LIKE ANY FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT

GILL SALTER ON 0208 4059971 OR [SALTERG@OUTLOOK.COM](mailto:salterg@outlook.com)

### Garden Room Planned Giving



We have received requests for a planned giving form to enable members of St John's and the wider community to make direct donations to the Garden Room project. A standing order mandate form has been produced and will provide the means to make planned donations as a one-off payment or several payments over a period of time to be determined by the donor, making this a convenient way to be part of the Garden Room Project as it grows. Forms are available at the back of church. Please contact Gill Salter on 0208 405 9971 or [salterg@outlook.com](mailto:salterg@outlook.com) if you need any further information or help



## ***Do you come to St John's "regularly"?***

*("Regularly" is defined by the CofE as attending at least once a month.)*

*Do you think of St John's as your church?*

*If so, please check that you are on the Electoral Roll, and if you're not, fill in the form at the back of the church and hand it to Jenny or one of the Churchwardens.*

*Joining the Electoral Roll is good for you and good for your church !*

- It helps us to keep in touch with you
- It gives you voting rights at the annual meeting
- It means that you and your family are prayed for at least one day each month -the Rector prays for everyone on the electoral roll through the month
  - It helps to present a more realistic picture of the church family at St John's
  - It keeps Bishops and Archdeacons happy – which makes for a happy Rector too.

**Sign up today and make someone happy !!!!!**



### **Sponsored Walk - Save the Date**

We have an opportunity to raise money for the Garden Room project through a local sponsored walk organised by the Rotary Club of Sanderstead and Selsdon.

Further information to follow but, for now, save the date.....

**SUNDAY, 3RD JUNE.**

**The Annual Parochial Church Meeting, and the Meeting to Elect Churchwardens will take place NEXT SUNDAY Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> April after the 10am service at 11.30am (approx.) in the hall.**

This is the single most important non-worship event in the life of the parish community, and you are warmly encouraged to attend. Full papers will be available in good time before the meeting. As well as reviewing the year gone by, this is the time when we elect our churchwardens (who are elected year by year) as well as members of the Church Council (the PCC).

In total, we are seeking to elect two churchwardens, and four members to the PCC. Broadly speaking, anyone over 16 and on the electoral roll may be nominated for membership of the PCC.

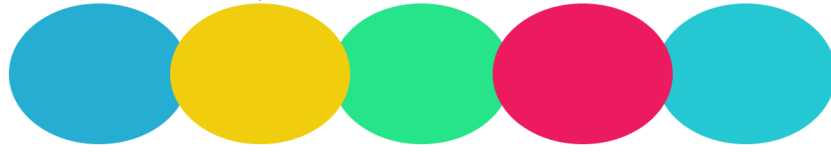
**The key thing to consider when making such a nomination is the extent to which that person is involved with the life of the church community, and how likely they are to "co-operate with [the parish clergy] in promoting...the whole mission of the Church."**

*Nominations already received:*

<b>As Churchwardens:</b>	Martyn Brown	proposed by Susan Tilley seconded by John Waddington
	Robert Thornton	proposed by Julia Bailey seconded by Brenda Webb
<b>As PCC members:</b>	Graham Jennings	proposed by Helen Lishmund seconded by Janet Brown
	Libby Lawrey	proposed by Monica Turton seconded by Brenda Williams
	Catherine Sands	proposed by Monica Turton seconded by Libby Lawrey

It is hoped that all members of the parish will give prayerful and thoughtful consideration to nominating people who wish to promote the mission of the parish, and who, amongst them, can offer a range of experience, skills and outlook to the Council.

**Nomination forms for all these positions are available at the back of church.**



The church of England invites you to join .....

## **The Great Vocations Conversation**

Nourishing and nurturing the vocations of God's people

### **Vocations Fair**

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> April**

**2.30pm-5.30pm**

**At St John the Evangelist, Church Way,  
Hurst Green, Surrey, RH8 9EA**

**There is more information at the back of the church**



**Looking ahead .....**

**In December we will be holding a  
White Weekend which will include a  
church display, concert etc**



**If you think you would be interested in joining a group of the  
congregation in helping to set up and run this event, please speak to  
either Gill Salter or Helen Lishmund**

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# SERVICES AND OTHER EVENTS THIS WEEK

## 15<sup>th</sup> April 2018

### Monday

10.00am Baby and Toddler group  
6.00pm Meeting God in silence

### Thursday

10.00am Baby and Toddler group  
10.15am Said Eucharist

### Saturday

11.30am Mothers Union Diocesan Service at Southwark Cathedral

### Next Sunday The Fourth Sunday of Easter

8.00am Said Eucharist in traditional language  
10.00am Parish Eucharist  
11.30am (approx.) APCM in the hall  
2.30pm for 3.00pm St George's Day service

### *Readings next Sunday at 10am:*

Acts 4.5-12; John 10.11-18

**Morning Prayer is usually said** in Church each weekday (except Friday) between 9.00am and 9.30am. You are welcome to join any of these services.

If there's something on your mind and you'd like to talk it over with someone, or if you'd like to make your confession, Jenny will be happy to see anyone at any time by appointment. She can be contacted on:

0208 657 2343 or [jennyrowley@waitrose.com](mailto:jennyrowley@waitrose.com)