



**St John the Divine Church, Selsdon**  
**16<sup>th</sup> September 2018**  
**The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity**

**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 Brenda Webb, Karen and Bobby - do come and say hello!

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

**The Opening Prayer:**

Make us one, O God, in acknowledging Jesus the Christ. As we proclaim him by our words, let us follow him in our works; give us strength to take up the cross and courage to lose our lives for his sake. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. **Amen**

**Post Communion Prayer:**

Almighty God, you have taught us through your Son that love is the fulfilling of the law: grant that we may love you with our whole heart and our neighbours as ourselves; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**Hymns at the 10am service:**

First hymn:	486 We have a gospel to proclaim
Gradual hymn:	876 Will you come and follow me
Offertory hymn:	408 Love divine
Communion hymn:	805 As the deer
Last hymn:	375 Lord of the dance

**Choir anthem today:**      Lead me Lord      Wesley

**Prayers today are led by:**      Nicky Archer

## **First Reading** *read by Robin Orchard*

The servant of the Lord said:

The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he awakens – awakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backwards. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting.

The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Let them confront me. It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty? All of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up.

*Isaiah 50.4-9a*

## **Gospel reading:**

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that I am?' And they answered him, 'John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.' Jesus asked them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Peter answered him, 'You are the Messiah.' And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.'

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'

*Mark 8.27-38*

**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:**

Pat and Marion Hall, Marilyn Tatarkowski, Jean Treasure, Douglas and Sandra Walford

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

Joan Sheen, Helen Whatley

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

16<sup>th</sup> September Phil Green (2001)

Enid Maynard (2003)

Matilda Lines (2015)

17<sup>th</sup> September Fred Collard (1984)

18<sup>th</sup> September Sidney Smith (2015)

19<sup>th</sup> September Lucy Smith (1974)

Bill Purvis (1979)

David Dobson (1984)

Florence Robbins (1996)

20<sup>th</sup> September Wai Ming Leung (1984)

Harold Gayton (1994)

22<sup>nd</sup> September Marina Chew (2000)

Christobel Orchard (2000)

Eileen Goodison (2008)

**Please also remember in your prayers Ava Rose Cooper-Haynes, 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.

## The Parish Office

is open Mon-Thur 9am-2pm



Please call Amanda on to help with:

- Parish admin or queries
- Hall Bookings
- Publicity for the church or hall

Please call 0208 6579466 / 07958 682103

Or email [bookingsstjohns@gmail.com](mailto:bookingsstjohns@gmail.com)

Thank you



### 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.**



### 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 Silence

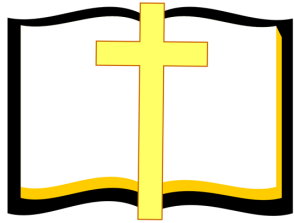
**Mondays 6pm-6.30pm**

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



**ALL WELCOME**

## CONFIRMATION



*Confirmation is another step along the journey of faith – where you have the opportunity to confirm for yourself the promises made by your parents and godparents on your behalf when you were baptised, namely to follow Christ and to take your place within the life and worship of His church. If you think you might be interested in being confirmed, please speak to Jenny as soon*

*as possible. Thanks*

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

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

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)



## MID WEEK COFFEE MORNINGS

ON THE SECOND WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH 10.30AM-12NOON. See the notice sheet for details of the venue! **ALL WELCOME!**

## Church Cleaning

Having been on the cleaning rota for a great many years I feel the time has come to hang up my duster. This means that on the first Friday of the month Dorothy Everitt will be the only one, so we are looking for two willing helpers. This is not arduous – just dusting and polishing (not choir stall seats!) and with three people only takes 30 mins from 9.30. Please let me or Dorothy know if you can help keep the church looking nice.

Julia Bailey

**VOLUNTEERS  
NEEDED**



St John's has a Planned Giving Scheme and last weekend those who support St John's through the Planned Giving Scheme gathered for Afternoon Tea.

THANK YOU to everyone who came along to Afternoon Tea last Sunday. I hope you had a lovely afternoon. And the weather was kind to us this year!

THANK YOU to my helpers Marion and Jim, Janice, Monica, Sally, Helen and Michael – and to everyone who helped tidy away at the end. THANK YOU too, to Ian, Jonathan and our choir who rounded off the afternoon brilliantly with Choral Evensong, much enjoyed by all.

We are very grateful to those who give so generously of their time, talents and money to support the mission and ministry of this church, as well as contribute to the cost of maintaining this wonderful building. Don't forget that if you are a UK taxpayer, the Church can reclaim the tax you have paid on any donation if you simply fill in your name and address on the yellow envelope provided, which makes your gift worth about a third more at no extra cost to you

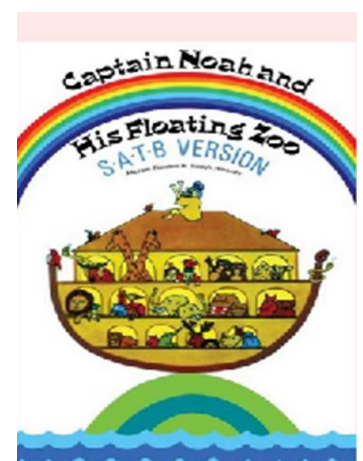
If you're not (yet) part of the Planned Giving Scheme, or would like to know more about supporting this church on a regular basis through planned giving, please speak to Michael (Tel: 0208 651 2760 ) or to Jenny (Tel: 0208 657 2343) or e-mail

[jennyrowley@waitrose.com](mailto:jennyrowley@waitrose.com)

**The Choir of St. John the Divine Church, Selsdon presents**

## **Captain Noah and his Floating Zoo**

**An evening of light music for the whole family,  
including pieces by Debussy and Parry**



**Saturday, 6th October 2018, 7.00 pm**

**St. John's Church, Upper Selsdon Road, South Croydon. CR2 8DD  
Tickets available at the door, £7.00 for adults, Children under 16 free  
All proceeds to St. John's Church Garden Room Project**





## 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



## ST JOHN'S PLANT AND PRODUCE STALL

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2018  
at 11am**

**St John's Church Hall, Upper Selsdon Road,  
South Croydon, CR2 8DD**



## WHITE CHRISTMAS WEEKEND

**8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> December 2018**



'We are 'dreaming of a White Christmas' with the following over the weekend 8th and 9th December, perhaps you could help?

- White Christmas in church - do you belong to a group who might like to decorate part of the church on a White Christmas theme?



- Mini fair in the hall - would you like to run a stall?  
Tombola, or Name the Penguin perhaps.
- Father Christmas in Lapland - elves and helpers needed
- Grand raffle - prizes needed and help on the day



- Refreshments - could you help with refreshments?
- Children's activities - might you be able to give some time to these?

The weekend will end with the popular Christmas Concert at 6 pm on the Sunday. Could you help with serving mulled wine and mince pies or selling raffle tickets?



Helen, Gill or Janice would love to hear from you.



## St John's Garden Room Project Receives Funding Boost

Residents of Selsdon are celebrating following confirmation of a grant from Viridor Credits Environmental Company towards the construction of a Garden Room overlooking the Garden of Remembrance at St John's Church

This ambitious project will provide a pleasant, quality built, modern and fully accessible facility to meet local needs within the whole community. The room will be sited on the south western side of the church overlooking the Garden of Remembrance and will be easily accessible directly from the main church building but can also be closed off as a separate space with an external door from the garden. There will also be improved access into and around the whole church building. The room will accommodate around 20 people comfortably and provide a purpose built refreshment hub and fully accessible toilet facilities including a baby changing area. The project will be community focused for the use of groups and individuals within the Selsdon area in addition to church groups. The award from Viridor Credits towards the cost of construction of the Garden Room will enable groundworks and structural work to be planned.

Reverend Jenny Rowley, Rector of St John's, said "I am delighted that Viridor Credits have awarded a grant towards the building of the Garden Room and would like to express my thanks for their support for this important community focused facility which will be of real value to the people of Selsdon both now and in years to come"



## Contact

*People Who Care*

**Selsdon Contact's shopping bus trips to Sainsburys at Warlingham are very**

**popular but we are in need of more escorts. It's a three- hour commitment on a Wednesday or Thursday morning helping one of our clients on and off the bus and doing a shop. You don't even have to make a regular commitment but just help when you can spare the time.**

**If you feel you could help with this valuable community support, please call Jasmine in the Contact Office on 8651 4944.**



## **CHURCH GARDENING - Time to start our Autumn clear up!**

By the time you read this some extensive tree work will have been undertaken for safety reasons. We now need the rest of the grounds to match. Thank you to all those who came out to help yesterday. The next gardening session is

Saturday 29th September from 10 am.

If you'd like to help you would be more than welcome!

Either just turn up on the day or contact –**Michael Lishmund - 8651 2760**



**THE NEXT BOOK SALE WILL BE TODAY after the 10am service  
IN THE CHURCH HALL**

**Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> September - 12.30pm**

*Harvest Lunch*

**Sign-up sheet at back of the Church**



**There will be a Messy Church  
planning meeting at 11.30am on  
Monday 24<sup>th</sup> Sept in the Rectory**

**Thank you**



## Remembering the Great War at St John's



At St John's, we will be marking the 100th anniversary of the armistice that ended the First World War (The Great War) by giving our congregation the opportunity to remember members of their family or friends who took part and to show our respect and thanks as a church.



Do you have a photograph of someone who served and who you would like to be remembered? – they could be a soldier, sailor, airman, nurse, munitions worker or indeed anyone who helped to bring peace to Europe. Ideally they would be in uniform but it is not essential.

We will place their photographs, names and a little about their service history on boards to be displayed within the church. If you do not have a photo, just write down what you would like to say and it will still be included.



If there is someone that you would like to be remembered, please place their photo in an envelope together with their name and, if possible, a short piece about them of approx 50 words.

Please write your name on the outside of the envelope. We will scan the photo and type up the wording and return the originals to you.

We have already had a wonderful initial response and look forward to hearing from you as soon as possible, but no later than the start of October please

**If you would like to know more, please speak to  
John or Brenda Williams  
(0208 645 9417) or  
Catherine Sands.**

**Thank you.**



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# SERVICES AND OTHER EVENTS THIS WEEK

## 16<sup>th</sup> September 2018

### Sunday

6.00pm Healing service

### Monday

10.00am Baby and Toddler group

7.30pm PCC meeting in the Church Hall

### Tuesday

10.00am Rector's Coffee Hour in Costa on Selsdon High Street. If you'd like to pop in for a chat or even just to say hello, please do!

### Thursday

10.00am Baby and Toddler group

10.15am Said Eucharist.

### Saturday

11.00am Baptism rehearsal

### Next Sunday The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Said Eucharist in traditional language

10.00am Parish Eucharist

11.45am Holy baptism

12.45pm Burial of the cremated remains of Joan Sheen at St John's

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

Wisdom 1.16-2.1 or James 3.13-4.3: Mark 9.30-37

**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)