



## **St John the Divine Church, Selston** **9th August 2020** **Nineth Sunday after Trinity**

### **Welcome to St John's!**

If you are following the service on our Facebook page or our Website – WELCOME! If you're a newcomer or a visitor to St John's, we have great pleasure in welcoming you today. There are no service booklets for this service. Please just join in with anything that sounds familiar! Although you may be seeing this alone or with just one or two other people in your own home, don't forget that you are joined by countless others across Selston, our nation and our world as we worship God, source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist, who holds us in life and in love.

There is no after-service coffee provided. But may I suggest that when the service is finished you take a moment to make a cup of tea/coffee and raise a cup in friendship to those who have shared this service with you across the network. Pictures to share would be welcome! Please send to Amanda at [bookingsstjohns@gmail.com](mailto:bookingsstjohns@gmail.com) to include on our Facebook page and Website!

### **The Opening Prayer:**

God of all power, your sovereign word comes to us in Christ. When your Church is in danger, make firm our trust; when your people falter, steady our faith. Show us in Jesus your power to save, that we may always acclaim him as Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever **Amen**

### **Post Communion Prayer:**

Holy Father, who gathered us here around the table of your Son to share this meal with the whole household of God: in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace, gather people of every race and language to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

### **First Reading**

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that 'the person who does these things will live by them.' But the righteousness that comes from faith says, 'Do not say in your heart, "Who will ascend into heaven?"' (that is, to bring Christ down) 'or "Who will descend into the abyss?"' (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead).

But what does it say? ‘The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart’ (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, ‘No one who believes in him will be put to shame.’ For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, ‘Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.’

But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? <sup>15</sup>And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, ‘How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!’

*Roman's 10: 5-15*

## **Gospel**

Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land,<sup>[a]</sup> for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, “It is a ghost!” And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, “Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.”

Peter answered him, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” He said, “Come.” So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind,<sup>[b]</sup> he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, “Lord, save me!” Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, “You of little faith, why did you doubt?” When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”

*Matthew 14; 22-33*

**For your prayers:**

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

Julia Barclay, David Crietzman, Margaret Rapp, Alan White

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

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

9th August	Martin White	(1961)
	Molly Brown	(2014)
10th August	Dorothy Beaumont	(2014)
11th August	Catherine Reynolds	(2003)
	Phyllis Nunn	(2007)
12th August	Gwen Bothamley	(1983)
	Terence Dennison	(2009)
13th August	Thomas Goodison	(1965)
	Tom Carter	(1960)
14th August	Richard Harrison	(2005)

*If you'd like prayer either for yourself or for another, please email [rectorstjohnschurch@gmail.com](mailto:rectorstjohnschurch@gmail.com) 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 email Amanda on the above email.*

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

**If you'd like to discuss arranging a baptism (christening), a wedding or a funeral, please call 0208 6572343 or email [rectorstjohnschurch@gmail.com](mailto:rectorstjohnschurch@gmail.com)**

**The Parish Office**

**is currently Closed!!!**

*For any enquiries please call  
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*Or email [bookingsstjohns@gmail.com](mailto:bookingsstjohns@gmail.com)*

*St John's Website address is:*

*[www.stjohnsselsdon.org.uk](http://www.stjohnsselsdon.org.uk)*

*To find our Facebook page simply (Google) search  
St John's Church, Selsdon*



**The trip to Leeds castle has been rearranged to 15<sup>th</sup> May 2021  
Please pop this date in your diaries Something to look forward to next year**

**Dear Friends**

**As some of you may be Know we shall shortly be leaving Selsdon after 45 years. We came in early 1975 as newly weds, and St John's has played an important part in the lives of all of our family during that time. We take with us many memories of the various aspects of church life in which we have played a part. What has**

**always come across is the wonderful fellowship that exists here. This was very apparent in the three splendid Parish Pilgrimages masterminded by the Rev Ian Brothwood, but also in the many other church organisations and activities**

**We had hoped to perhaps do an "open house" in our garden, or something in the church hall, to say a proper goodbye, and thank you all for your friendship and fellowship, but with the current Covid 19 situation, that is not to be.**

**If anyone is in Shropshire we would love to see you, if you contact Amanda in the church office she will pass on our details. Our email . addresses have not changed Wishing everyone well during the interregnum, and for a vibrant future at St Johns under the next Rector, and also that worship can return to normality before too long.**

**Love and Best Wishes David & Margaret Smith**




*Walking together  
through grief*

A support group  
for anyone who has been bereaved  
during the Covid19 Lockdown

In Partnership with  
Woodside Bereavement Service  
The Waterside Centre,  
26 Avenue Road, London SE25 4DX  
Registered Charity No. 1041666

For dates and time  
please contact:  
bereavement@selsdonbaptist.org.uk  
mobile: 07561 869620



As you are aware we were unable to hold our planned Annual meeting in March due to the Coronavirus lockdown. We were advised by the Diocese that we could hold an APCM prior to 31<sup>st</sup> October and we have planned the date of



**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September at 11.30 am in church  
after the 10am service; safely socially distanced, of course.**

Robert Thornton had planned to stand down as Churchwarden in March but has valiantly remained in post over this difficult time. However he has now resigned from the post and the PCC have agreed to Debbie Brown taking over as acting Churchwarden pending her election at our forthcoming APCM.

Robert has kindly agreed to carry on assisting at Sunday services for the time being and we are extremely grateful to him for his support and cheery backing through the last few months.

Please welcome Debbie as she steps into her new role.

At this meeting we hope to elect 2 Churchwardens, 4 new members to PCC. and 4 new representatives to Deanery Synod.

*Nominations already received:*

As Churchwarden:

Debbie Brown           proposed by Helen Lishmund  
                                    seconded by Gill Salter

Ian Harley               Proposed by Wendy Moulton  
                                    Seconded by Sally Geddes

As PCC members: Sarah Parsons           proposed by Rani Samuel  
  seconded by Sally Geddes  
                                    Ann Crocomb   proposed by Monica Turton  
  seconded by Susan Tilley  
                                    Ian Brentnall   proposed by Alice Hicks  
  Seconded by Joanna Sands

+1

As Deanery synod Representatives Gill Salter           proposed by Ann Orchard  
  seconded by Sylvia Hughes  
                                    Robin Orchard proposed by Robert Thornton

+2

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.

Please would everyone in St John's church family give some prayerful thought to who could serve in this capacity in the coming year, and if you have any suggestions on who you would like to see as your Churchwarden, on PCC or Deanery Synod, please mention names to Ian and Robert – *Thank you!*

## **Interregnum update**

We have some progress to report on finding a new Rector for St. John's. At their last meeting, the PCC appointed Ian Harley and Debbie Brown as Parish Representatives for the appointment process. We are currently putting together a Parish Profile and wording to advertise the post in conjunction with the help of our Area Dean, the Rev'd Debbie Foreman, which will be agreed with the Archdeacon of Croydon, The Rev'd Rosemarie Mallett at our next PCC meeting.

The post will be advertised in September/October and shortlisted applicants invited to visit the parish in early November and for interview by our parish representatives together with the Bishop of Croydon.

## **Church Hall**

The Church Hall Management Committee have undertaken a review and risk assessment in regarding to reopening the hall. Their report is available on the church website. The Standing Committee of the PCC have agreed that the hall can be open for hire under the guidelines agreed.





# Contact

*People Who Care*

## MANAGER

CONTACT is a thriving charity based in Selsdon Community Centre, providing practical help, advice, support and information to people of all ages in the Selsdon area.

We are seeking a Manager to

- take responsibility for client care, activity and quality,
- recruit, supervise and co-ordinate the team of volunteers,
- ensure the smooth running of the office,
- develop strategy and fundraising,
- maintain and develop all necessary external links.

The initial contract will be for a period of six months with the possibility of extending to a permanent position.

The hours are 20 spread over four days per week. The salary will be in the region of £15.00 per hour depending on previous relevant experience.

An application pack is available from the Contact office on the lower ground floor at Sainsbury's, Selsdon or by e-mail at [info@selsdoncontact.org.uk](mailto:info@selsdoncontact.org.uk)

The closing date for applications is Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2020

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## Notice

### Mission and Pastoral Measure 2011 Draft Pastoral Scheme

21 July 2020

The Church Commissioners have prepared a draft Scheme in respect of proposals sent to them by the Bishop of Southwark providing for: (i) the dissolution of the benefice and parish of All Saints, Spring Park and the division of the area of its parish between the parishes of St George, Shirley; and Shirley (also known locally as St John, Shirley); (ii) the parish church of All Saints, Spring Park to become a chapel of ease in the parish of Shirley; (iii) the transfer of the parsonage house of the benefice of All Saints, Spring Park to the Southwark Diocesan Board of Finance as diocesan glebe - all in the diocese of Southwark.

The draft Scheme is on our website [www.churchofengland.org/consultation](http://www.churchofengland.org/consultation) or you may obtain a copy from me. **Large print and/or audio copies are available on request.** Anyone may make representations **for** or **against** all or any part of the draft Scheme (please include the reasons for your views) preferably by email or by post to reach me no later than midnight on **Monday 7 September 2020**. If I have not acknowledged its receipt, please ring or e-mail me. For administrative purposes, a petition will be classed as a single representation and we will only correspond with the sender of the petition, if known, or otherwise the first signatory for whom we can identify an address – “the primary petitioner”.

- When making a representation, please indicate the nature of your interest in the proposals (e.g. parishioner, member of parochial church council, etc) and whether you would like an opportunity to speak to the Commissioners regarding your representation if they decide a hearing should be held regarding the case.
- If we receive representations against the draft Scheme, we will send them, and any representations supporting the draft Scheme, to the Bishop whose views will be sought. Individual representors and the primary petitioner will then receive copies of the correspondence with the Bishop (including copies of all the representations) and will be told whether a hearing is to be held. They and individual petitioners may comment further to the Commissioners. Copies of all of the representations received and associated correspondence will be published on the Commissioners’ website if the matter needs to be considered by the Commissioners.
- If a hearing is held, anyone may attend the meeting of the Commissioners’ Committee that considers the case and representors may have an opportunity to speak to it. Otherwise, if a hearing is not to be held, the case will be considered in private and you will be informed accordingly.
- When we acknowledge representations we will let individual representors (and the primary petitioner) know the next few dates of our Committee’s meetings. We will confirm the actual date if a hearing is to be held nearer the time.
- The Committee will decide if the draft Scheme should proceed when it considers all the representations on the basis of a paper prepared by the Commissioners’ staff and any points raised at the meeting. The Commissioners will notify all representors of their decision and give a statement of the reasons for it.
- Please see [www.churchofengland.org/consultation](http://www.churchofengland.org/consultation) for further information about the

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