

St John the Divine Church, Selsdon 27 October 2019

The last 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. Today the service is led by The Revd Stephen Wright. 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 Helen and Michael Lishmund - do come and say hello!

PLEASE TAKE THIS LEAFLET HOME WITH YOU!

The Opening Prayer:

O God, who alone can probe the depths of the heart, you hear the prayer of the humble and justify the repentant sinner. As we stand before you, grant us the gift of humility, that we may see our own sins clearly and refrain from judging our neighbour. We make our prayer 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:

God of all grace, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Hymns at the 10am service:

First hymn:	97	King of glory, King of Peace
Gradual hymn:	802	Amazing Grace
Offertory hymn:	863	The love of god comes close
Communion hymn:	294	Just as I am
Last hymn:	477	Ye that know the Lord if gracious

Today we are joined by the come and sing choir

Prayers today are led by Barbara Woodhead

First Reading *read by Lesley Taylor*

Although our iniquities testify against us, act, O LORD, for your name's sake; our apostasies indeed are many, and we have sinned against you.

O hope of Israel, its saviour in time of trouble, why should you be like a stranger in the land, like a traveller turning aside for the night?

Why should you be like someone confused, like a mighty warrior who cannot give help? Yet you, O LORD, are in the midst of us, and we are called by your name; do not forsake us!

Thus says the LORD concerning this people: Truly they have loved to wander, they have not restrained their feet; therefore the LORD does not accept them, now he will remember their iniquity and punish their sins. Have you completely rejected Judah? Does your heart loathe Zion? Why have you struck us down so that there is no healing for us? We look for peace, but find no good; for a time of healing, but there is terror instead. We acknowledge our wickedness, O LORD, the iniquity of our ancestors, for we have sinned against you.

Do not spurn us, for your name's sake; do not dishonour your glorious throne; remember and do not break your covenant with us.

Can any idols of the nations bring rain? Or can the heavens give showers? Is it not you, O LORD our God? We set our hope on you, for it is you who do all this.

Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-end

Gospel

Jesus also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: 'Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax-collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, "God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax-collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income." But the tax-collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner!" ¹⁴I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.'

Luke 18.9-14

For your prayers:

We pray for God's love to surround:

Juliet Akao, David Crietzman, John Ewing, Gus Thiko, Alan White

We pray for those who have died recently:

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

27 th October	Kenneth Hall	(2003)
	Gerald Taylor	(2013)
	Nancy Wadey	(2015)
28 th October	Henry William Joyce	(1982)
29 th October	Mabel Dingley	(1979)
	Fred Smith	(1979)
	William Ewing	(1991)
	Mark Young	(1996)
31 st October	Elsie Houlding	(1980)
	Derek Sheen	(2011)
	Alf Walton	(2016)
1 st November	Albert Dunstan	(1980)
	Grace Dearie	(1979)
	Daisy Eddolls	(1994)
	Meredith Kercher	(2007)
	Ted Budden	(2015)
2 nd November	William Hartland	(1991)
	Jasmine Broyd	(2016)

If you'd like prayer either for yourself or for another, please contact Amanda in the parish office 0208 657 9466

email bookingsstjohns@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 give details to Amanda.

Please give NOTICES for inclusion in the weekly service sheet to Amanda bookingsstjohns@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 Amanda on 0208 6579466 or email bookingsstjohns@gmail.com



I am now away from the parish on sabbatical leave until 1st December. During that time I will have opportunities for prayer and reflection. So will you!

As priest and people together, it would make a real difference to me to know that we are praying intentionally for each other during this time apart.

So here is a prayer I will be using while I'm away. I'll be praying it for you and for me and I'd be grateful if you could pray it for me and for yourselves too.

Thank you! *Jenny*

Heavenly Father bless we pray the whole of our church family at St John's and the community we serve during this time of rest and reflection for Jenny. Guide and guard all of us. May we grow in friendship, in knowledge and in love for you and for each other; may we be refreshed and encouraged; and may we discover how we may continue to be a blessing to this church and our community through our worship and our service. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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.



The Parish Office is usually open
Mon-Thur 9am-2pm

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

Please call 0208 6579466 / 07958 682103

Or email 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.

St John's Website

The website for our church can be found



www.stjohnsselsdon.org.uk

A message from the Rector...

I am away on sabbatical leave from 5th September until Advent Sunday 1st December. During this time life at St John's will continue with our Churchwardens Ian Harley and Robert Thornton in charge. I have arranged for a number of different visiting clergy to look after Sunday services, so hope you will enjoy welcoming some new (and not so new) faces while I am away.

For anything you would have asked me, including enquiries about baptisms, weddings and funerals please contact our parish administrator, Amanda at the parish office on 0208 6579466 or 07958 682103 you can also email her bookingsstjohns@gmail.com. Amanda will usually be in the office Monday-Thursday from 9am-2pm she will then put you in contact with the correct person.



A special service remembering
ALL SOULS
Sunday 3rd November at
6pm

A simple service of prayer and reflection.

Come and light a candle and remember

Our guest preacher is The Venerable Chris Skilton, Archdeacon of Croydon

If you would like your loved one's name to be included among those read out loud, please place their name on the sheet at the back of the church. Although we can add names to the list on the night, just before the service begins, it would be helpful to have a note of all the names to be read out by Sunday 27th October

ALL WELCOME!

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

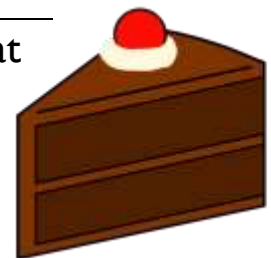
All Welcome!



Please do join us for our monthly coffee mornings a great chance to catch up and make new friends



Our next monthly coffee morning is on



Wednesday 13th November at 199 Farley Road, CR2 7NP

Breakfast will be served next weekend on Sunday 3rd November at 8.45am in the church hall.

Please join us for a great way to start the day!



**Join Us For
Breakfast**

ST JOHN'S SELSDON GARDEN ROOM

We hope you like it! If you do, tell your friends, if not tell me!

The church and Church Hall are now fully accessible for everyone and will soon be available for use for the benefit of St John's and the wider community of Selsdon. If you'd like to enquire about using the hall or the Garden Room, please contact Amanda on 07958 682 103 or email bookingsstjohns@gmail.com

Although we've done really well with fundraising, and securing funds from external sources, we do still need to raise a bit more to cover all our costs. So our fundraising continues – please continue to support events which will raise much-needed funds for the project

*If you would like to **donate** 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.*

If you would like any further information, please contact Gill Salter at 21 Rylandes Road, South Croydon CR2 8EB 0208 4059971 OR

salterg@outlook.com

The Garden Room project is supported by...



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GARDEN ROOM PLANNED GIVING

We have received requests for a planned giving form to enable direct donations to be made 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 if you need any further information or help.





Remembrance Day

At St John's Church, Selston
On Sunday 10th November
At 10am

*A Eucharist for All Ages including
the traditional 2 minutes' silence and*

laying of a wreath

This year we welcome

*The Rt Revd Christopher Chessun, Bishop of Southwark
to lead the worship*

ALL WELCOME!

PLANNED GIVING

The PCC has recently had to make decisions about spending considerable sums of money on the upkeep of the fabric and grounds of the church. You will surely have appreciated the sparkling clean windows and church and, soon to be undertaken, tree work, necessary for keeping the gutters clear and site tidy and fully accessible. These decisions are much easier to make when the church is assured of a regular set income and not reliant on occasional donations.

Would you consider to committing to regular giving under one of the existing church schemes, if you are not already doing so?

- By setting up a monthly, quarterly or annual standing order which, of course, can be gift aided. This gives the church the benefit of an extra 25% reclaimed from HMRC on your donation, if, of course, you are a tax payer.
- Do you know about our envelope scheme where a set of weekly envelopes are provided whether you are a tax payer or not?
- Or there are yellow gift aid envelopes in church which, of course, many of you already use.



If you would like more information – please contact Michael Lishmund who administers these schemes on behalf of the PCC. He can be reached by email – michaellishmund@gmail.com or phone 020 8651 2760.

ST JOHN'S CHURCH

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE TREE



Christmas can be a difficult time if you have lost a loved one

This year St John's is again offering the opportunity to remember those we never forget by placing a label decoration on the Christmas Remembrance Tree

The tree will be placed in St John's on

Saturday 7 December 2019 until Epiphany, Sunday 5 January 2020 and will be dedicated at our

Quiet Christmas Service on Monday 16 December 2019 at 7.30pm

If you would like to take part by writing your loved one's name on a label to be attached to the Christmas Remembrance Tree, full details with dedication labels are available from the back of the church. Please take an envelope. We are grateful to Selsdon and District Funeral Service for kindly donating the tree this year

If you would like any further information or help please contact

Gill Salter on 0208 405 9971 or Ann Orchard on 0208 686 6163

A big well done to all those who came to the Autumn Quiz last Saturday especially to the winning team 'Voce 7'

Thanks are due to Monica Turton and Barry and Sue Shaw for their help in preparing the hall, undertaking the raffle and the catering arrangements and to Ingrid for helping in scoring and keeping the quiz master in order.

Without the technical assistance of Brian Miller and Chris Samuel who helped me get the rounds onto the sound system I would have been short of at least one round.

Over £400 was raised for the garden room and a round of heads and tails in the interval ensured a £42 donation to Macmillan Cancer Support.

Many Thanks Hilary

The Angelfest Weekend is coming on 7th and 8th December and we need your help to make the weekend run smoothly.

If you can help with any of the following, please speak to
Gill Salter, Helen Lishmund, Jane G or Amanda Sinclair:



Could you be a helper on the day?

Could you donate a raffle prize or know someone who can?

Could you plant some flower bulbs in containers?

**Could you donate some New Toys for the Toy Stall?
(no second-hand toys this year thank you)**

Could you donate some teddies for the Teddy Tombola stall?

Could you make some cakes for the Cake Stall?

We will be collecting items for the fayre on the following dates:

Sunday 10th November: Unopened Bottles for the bottle stall



Sunday 17th November: Teddies for the Teddy tombola



Sunday 24th November: New Toys for the Toy stall



Sunday 1st December: Plants, Bulbs and Chocolates for the plant stall
and Chocolate tombola

We will be collecting for the boutique stall from 10th November right up until the day and we need good quality unopened toiletries, Jewellery, scarves, gloves etc. if you have anything you think would be suitable please speak to

Jane

Thank you.



Angelfest

St Johns Christmas Angel Weekend

ANGELFEST FAYRE

Sat 7th December 11am –3pm

**Children's activities , Father Christmas, Stalls
and
Refreshments**

!!! FREE ENTRY !!!

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Sunday 8th December 6pm

**A lively concert of Christmas songs with
Mulled punch and mince pies**

!!! FREE ENTRY !!!

**St John's Church, Upper Selsdon Road,
South Croydon, CR2 8DD
www.stjohnsselsdon.org.uk**

SERVICES AND OTHER EVENTS THIS WEEK

27th October 2019

Monday

- 10.00am Baby and Toddler group half term
6.00pm Meeting God in silence in the Lady Chapel

Tuesday

- 8pm Wives social evening with St Anthony's

Thursday

- 10.00am Baby and Toddler group half term
10.15am Said Eucharist

Next Sunday All Saints and All Souls

- 8.00am Said Eucharist in traditional language
10.00am Parish Eucharist All Saints
6.00pm All Souls service

Readings next Sunday at 10am:
Daniel 7.1-3, 15-18 Luke 6.20-31

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