



**St John the Divine Church, Selsdon**  
**12 January 2020**  
**Baptism of Christ**

**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 Barry and Jean Cockerell

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

**The Opening Prayer:** Heavenly Father, at the Jordan you revealed Jesus as your Son: may we recognise him as our Lord and know ourselves to be your beloved children; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen**

**Post Communion Prayer:** Lord of all time and eternity, you opened the heavens and revealed yourself as Father in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son: by the power of your Spirit complete the heavenly work of our rebirth through the waters of the new creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**Hymns at the 10am service:**

First hymn: 486 We have a gospel to proclaim

Gradual hymn: 905 Christ, when for us you were baptised

Offertory hymn: 56 Songs of thankfulness and praise

Communion hymn: 817 Spirit of the living God

Last hymn: 818 Jesus is Lord

**Choir Anthem today** *Come down, O love divine – Harris*

**Prayers today** are led by *Emily Richardson*

## **First Reading** *read by James Parsons*

Here is my servant I have made him strong. He is my chosen one; I am pleased with him. I have given him my Spirit, and he will bring justice to the nations. He won't shout or yell or call out in the streets. He won't break off a bent reed or put out a dying flame, but he will make sure that justice is done. He won't quit or give up until he brings justice everywhere on earth, and people in foreign nations long for his teaching.

I am the LORD God. I created the heavens like an open tent above. I made the earth and everything that grows on it. I am the source of life for all who live on this earth, so listen to what I say. I chose you to bring justice, and I am here at your side. I selected and sent you to bring light and my promise of hope to the nations. You will give sight to the blind; you will set prisoners free from dark dungeons. My name is the LORD! I won't let idols or humans share my glory and praise. Everything has happened just as I said it would; now I will announce what will happen next.

*Isaiah 42.1-9*

## **Gospel**

Jesus left Galilee and went to the Jordan River to be baptized by John. But John kept objecting and said, "I ought to be baptized by you. Why have you come to me?" Jesus answered, "For now this is how it should be, because we must do all that God wants us to do." Then John agreed. So Jesus was baptized. And as soon as he came out of the water, the sky opened, and he saw the Spirit of God coming down on him like a dove. Then a voice from heaven said,

"This is my own dear Son, and I am pleased with him."

*Matthew 3.13-17*

**For your prayers:**

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

David Crietzman, Ruth Joy, Ann Stemerging

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

Robert Frankham, Richard Hewlett, Janusz Kupczak, Peter Maynard, Muriel Rowland, John Waddington

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

12 <sup>th</sup> January	May Pocock	(1980)
	Austin Chambers	(1983)
	Jurek Tatarkowski	(1979)
	Ian Kay	(1994)
	Thomas Skinner	(1979)
	John E Williams	(2006)
13 <sup>th</sup> January	Alan White	(1982)
	Peter Rutland	(2002)
14 <sup>th</sup> January	Elsie Eagles	(1997)
	Margaret Harrison	(2009)
16 <sup>th</sup> January	Paul Chanot	(2018)
17 <sup>th</sup> January	Doris Prickett	(1983)
	Winifred Skinner	(1999)
18 <sup>th</sup> January	Kenneth Butler	(1943)
	Ramona Nesbit	(1999)

***If you'd like prayer either for yourself or for another, please contact Jenny on 0208 657 2343 or email [rectorstjohns@gmail.com](mailto:rectorstjohns@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 Jenny.***

***Please give NOTICES for inclusion in the weekly service sheet to Amanda [bookingsstjohns@gmail.com](mailto: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 Jenny on 0208 6572343 or email [rectorstjohns@gmail.com](mailto:rectorstjohns@gmail.com)**



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

St John's Website

The website for our church can be found  
***[www.stjohnsselsdon.org.uk](http://www.stjohnsselsdon.org.uk)***



The funeral of John Waddington will take place at St Johns Church on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January at 12.15pm  
There will be refreshments after the service in the  
Church Hall  
All Welcome.

### 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**



### **MID WEEK COFFEE MORNINGS**

**ON THE SECOND WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH 10.30am-12noon.**

Our next Coffee morning is on

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> January

in the Garden Room

**ALL WELCOME!**



**The final total raised for the Angelfest weekend was £2634.25 to be shared equally between Macmillan Cancer Care and St John's. Thank everyone for your incredible support**

Chris Skilton, our beloved Archdeacon since 2013, is having a service of farewell to mark his retirement on Saturday 01 February at 6.00pm at Emmanuel Church, S. Croydon. I know that many of you will have benefited from Chris' wisdom, knowledge and guidance over the last 7 years and I very much hope you would be happy to assist in making his final event as Archdeacon of Croydon a memorable one for him and his wife, Barbara.

Susan Wheeler is organising the service and needs helpers for the following roles:

**Throughout the event:**

**5 Volunteers to be Fire Marshals**

**2 Volunteer First Aiders**

**2 Volunteers to take informal photographs with their smart phones**

**At the end of the Church Service:**

**1 Volunteer marshal to show any wheelchair users access arrangements for the church hall**

**At the reception – as soon as the speeches/presentations have been made in church:**

**4 Volunteers to pour out the wine/fruit juice into glasses and serve at the drinks station (I have a couple of names already)**

**Towards the end of the evening:**

**Volunteers to clear up any leftover glasses, put them through the dishwasher, dry and pack them away (although the caterers should be managing this aspect through the evening). Also to help with clearing up the hall, putting away chairs and tables so that everything is ready for the following morning in the church hall after the Sunday morning service.**

If you would like to help, please let Amanda know and she will pass your details onto Susan Wheeler.

Many Thanks

# 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](mailto: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](mailto:salterg@outlook.com)*

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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](mailto:salterg@outlook.com) if you need any further information or help.*





**Our next Messy Church session will  
be on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January  
from 2.30pm -4.30pm  
In the Church Hall**





# *St John the Divine, Selston*

Please join us for our next

# CHORAL

# EVENSONG

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2020

6pm

Sung by the choir of  
St. John's

Director - Ian Brentnall

Organist - Jonathan Musgrave

## Including

Introit: Come down, O love divine *Harris*

Anthem: If ye love me - Wilby

*A wonderful end to the weekend, a great way to start the  
week.*



The Garden Room is now up and running and taking bookings for meetings and small gatherings.

We can hold groups of Max 20 people so if you can think of someone who would like to hire the room or a community service that could use the room for meetings etc please get in contact with Amanda Sinclair in the Parish office on 0208 657 9466 or email [bookingsstjohns@gmail.com](mailto:bookingsstjohns@gmail.com)

**United Service for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity  
Sunday 19th January 3.00pm  
at St Francis Church Monkshill**

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**Last year the book sales managed to raise £355 for church funds help us to do this again in 2020 by joining us for the next book sale which will be**

**on  
Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January  
at 11am  
in the Church hall**



# SERVICES AND OTHER EVENTS THIS WEEK

## 12 January 2020

### Sunday

6.00pm Choral Evensong

### Monday

10.00am Toddler Group

6.00pm Meeting God in silence in the Lady Chapel

### Tuesday

10.00am Rectors Coffee hour in Costa on Selsdon High Street. If you'd like to pop in for a chat or even just to say hello

12.00 noon Deanery Chapter meeting at St John's

7.30pm Wives Hogmanay meeting at the Sir Julian Huxley

### Thursday

10.00am Toddler Group

10.15am Said Eucharist

### Next Sunday

8.00am Said Eucharist in traditional language

10.00am Parish Eucharist

2.30pm – Messy Church in the Church Hall

4.30pm

### Readings Next Sunday

*Isaiah 49.1-7 or Corinthians 1.1-9; John 1.29-42*

**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 [rectorstjohnschurch@gmail.com](mailto:rectorstjohnschurch@gmail.com)