

12th June 2022: Trinity Sunday

Season: Ordinary Time **Liturgical Colour:** White **Why?** Trinity Sunday is a Feast Day celebrated by Christians all over the world. The purpose of this holiday is to celebrate the symbolic nature of the Trinity – which is God, the father; Jesus, the son; and the Holy Spirit. All of which are all separate entities upon themselves but are also one and the same entity. This is also known as the Christian Godhead as God incarnate in one person.

8.00am Holy Communion (spoken) in the Lady Chapel

9.30am Parish Eucharist with Junior Church

President: Revd Tim Vickers

Deacon and preacher: Anne Edwards

Gospel: John 16.12-15

Reading: Proverbs 8.1-4, 22-31

Reader:

Intercessions: James Hillman

Music Setting: Mass of St Thomas (Thorne)

Hymns: 276, 603, 277i, (omitted verse 4), 269, 634ii, 589

10.30am Parish Coffee in the Church Hall,

11.30am Baptim of Orla O'Neill

5.00pm BCP Evensong, in the Lady Chapel.

CHILDREN AT ST JOHN'S

All children are very welcome at St John's, and this might help:

- Please don't be afraid to sit at the front children can see what is going on better.
- There are books and bags at the back of church
- Please make use of the church as you need to.
- Join us in the hall for refreshments after the service.
- We are starting up a Junior Church, monthly.
- Next Junior Church is TODAY Please email junior.church@stjohnsharpenden.org.uk for details.

GIVING AT ST JOHN'S

At St John's we rely on the enormous generosity of our congregation to support our ministry, so that we might live God's love to our Parish. If you are in a position to support us, there are a number of ways you can give, either as a one-off or on a regular basis:

- Collection plate both cash and contactless either before or after the service
- Set up a direct debit
- Join our Parish Giving Scheme

Envelopes to donate for the collection where gift aid can be claimed are available. For more information contact Andrew Poppleton on andrew.poppleton@stjohnsharpenden.org.uk.

SUNDAY READINGS AND PRAYERS

THE COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith, that we may evermore be defended from all adversities; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Proverbs 8.1-4, 22-31

Does not wisdom call, and does not understanding raise her voice? ²On the heights, beside the way, at the crossroads she takes her stand; ³beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries out: ⁴"To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all that live.

²²The Lord created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago. ²³Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth. ²⁴When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water. ²⁵Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth— ²⁶when he had not yet made earth and fields, or the world's first bits of soil. ²⁷When he established the heavens, I was there, when he drew a circle on the face of the deep. ²⁸when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep, ²⁹when he assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters might not transgress his command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth, 30 then I was beside him, like a master worker: and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always, ³¹rejoicing in his inhabited world and delighting in the human race.

THE GOSPEL: John 16.12-15

12"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. I3When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. I4He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. I5All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty and eternal God, you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and live and reign in the perfect unity of love: hold us firm in this faith, that we may know you in all your ways and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory, who are three Persons yet one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

IMPORTANT PARISH CONTACTS

Revd Tim Vickers, Vicar of St John's (usual day off Friday) vicar@stjohnsharpenden.org.uk 01582 469343

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IN OUR PRAYERS

In our Parish for the sick: Iain Macdonald, Rosalyn Gamero and all whose names are entered on our St Luke's Cell Prayer List.

For the dearly departed: Geraldine Mockler, Chris Taylor

To be baptised in June: Orla O'Neill

In their year's mind: Donald Gray, James Derek Miley, Geoffrey Lane, Eleanor Gwen Hollington (12th), Leslie Jack Barnes, Constance Cruickshank (13th), Percy Bradbury, Philip Hais (14th), Albert Elliott, Violet Tumbull (15th), John Michael Kaye (16th), Andrew Martin, Elizabeth Brall, Frederick Allsop, Audrey Colegate (17th), Stephen Bryan (18th), Grace Relton, Maraget Pope (19th)

For the homes and families in

Sunday Pendennis Court, Pennycroft

Monday Piggottshill Lane

Tuesday Pipers Avenue, Poynings Close Wednesday Prospect Lane, Queens Road Thursday Ranleigh Walk, Ravenscroft Friday Redbourn Lane, Rowan Way

Saturday St John's Road, St Michael's Close

Please let Tim know if we can pray for you.

NOTICES*

* deadline for news items midday on Wednesday via newsletter@stjohnsharpenden.org.uk

Thanks to everyone who helped last weekend, both on Sunday morning and with providing cakes and helping out at our Jubilee Tea Party. A lot of fun was had by many.

TODAY

Junior and Mini Church. We are meeting again for Junior Church this Sunday. Learning from last month there will also be a Junior Church for specifically pre-school aged children. You will need to register in advance or on the day, so please do so to lauryn.awbrey@stsjohnsharpenden.org.uk

Sound System Experience. Today we welcome to St John's 'AboutSound' who will be demonstrating to us how our new Sound System might sound. They will be available over coffee to receive any feedback or answer any questions.

How do you travel to church? As part of our desire to become a net zero church by 2030, we are starting by measuring our carbon footprint. Part of this includes recording how we get to church each Sunday. Please don't leave the service without letting us know.

Sung Evensong, 5pm, in the Lady Chapel. Join for a reflective service of Sung Evensong. All Welcome.

COMINGUP

Confirmation Service, 9.30am on 19th June. Next Sunday we welcome Bishop Stephen Venner as he confirms three members of our congregation. Please pray for Anna, Gemma and Paul as they take this next step. If you are curious about confirmation, this is the service to come to to find out more!

Invitiation to Patronal Festival, I I am 26th June 2022. You are cordially invited to our Patronal Festival (celebration of our Patron Saint, John the Baptist). The service will include incense and afterwards everyone is invited to the Vicarage for Lunch, with live music, a bar and craft for the children.

Ordination of Anthony Davis. Please hold Anthony Davis, former member of this congregation, in your prayers as he is ordained Deacon

at 4pm on Sunday 2nd July. If you would like to support him in person, please let Revd Tim know.

OTHER NEWS

Why are you part of St John's? As we journey from Pentecost to our Patronal we have invited members of our congregation to share why they are part of St John's, and why they support our ministry with time, talent and treasure.

New Parish Administrator. We are very pleased to announce that Anna Chambers has been appointed as our new Parish Administrator. This is very exciting news for the Parish and we wish Anna much happiness in her new role.

Family Service update. The Ministry Team have decided to stop our 4pm Family Service. This is partly due to poor attendance but also to focus limited time on our All Age and Junior Church ministry.

Project Phoenix Sermon series. This is now available online, both on our website and via our YouTube Chanel.

PARISH DIARY

Tuesday 10.00am Little Acorns in the Church Hall

Wednesday 10.30am Holy Eucharist

NEXT SUNDAY

8am and 9.30am service for First Sunday After Trinity Readings: NT: Galatians 3.23 – end Gospel: Luke 8.26-39

Weekday Morning and Evening Prayer (in the Lady Chapel)

Morning Prayer: 9.30 am, Monday to Thursday

Evening Prayer: 5pm Monday to Thursday

Wednesday Eucharist, 10.30am in the Lady Chapel

Sign up to our Newsletter:

We also send out a weekly newsletter. If you would like to receive it, please get in touch:

https://stjohnsharpenden.org.uk/about-us/newsletter/

For arrangement of baptisms, weddings & funerals contact the Parish Office or talk to the vicar after the service.

