

St John the Evangelist
4th Sunday of Epiphany

Signpost Weekly
27th January 2019

Dear Friends,

We eavesdrop today on another extract from one of Paul's letters. He reminds the early church in Corinth that it takes all sorts to make up the body of Christ. We all bring skills and gifts and our differences that make us a church community; working together and supporting each other. Over the next couple of months, we shall begin looking for new people to come on to our church council and to consider taking on one or two roles within our church family. See below for an opportunity to help at school. Everyone can play a part, everyone is welcome.

Rev Preb Sharon



CHURCHFIELD BREAKFAST CLUB

Supporting families in Highbridge

We are seeking volunteers who could help serve a simple breakfast in school. This is to ensure children have a good start to the day as part of "Magic breakfast scheme".

Could you offer one morning a week, or even just once a month, 8.10am -8.40am

(All food provided.... It's only serving!)



To offer your support and help please contact Rev Sharon

sharon.crossman@btopenworld.com 07712 117721

Sharon will pass your details on to Churchfield School.

The scheme begins on 28th Jan, so do please get in touch soon.

But don't worry if it's after as we shall always be looking for new volunteers.

THANK YOU

There are varieties of gifts, there are varieties of service, there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone 1 Cor 12:4-6

WE SHALL BE MAKING A COLLECTION FOR REVEREND TONYA NIXON WHO LEAVES THE TEAM ON SUNDAY 24TH FEBRUARY. THIS WILL GO TOWARDS A GIFT TOKEN TO SUPPORT TONYA IN HER NEW MINISTRY IN THE DIOCESE OF BRISTOL

COLLECTS AND READINGS

27th January Epiphany 4 Readings: Nehemiah 8.1-3, 5-6, 8-10; 1 Corinthians 12.12-31a; Luke 4.14-21
Collect: God of heaven, you send the gospel to the ends of the earth and your messengers to every nation: send your Holy Spirit to transform us by the good news of everlasting life in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Post Communion: Generous Lord, in word and eucharist we have proclaimed the mystery of your love: help us so to live out our days that we may be signs of your wonders in the world; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

3rd February Presentation of Christ in the Temple Readings: Malachi 3.1-5; Hebrews 2.14-end; Luke 2.22-40
Collect: Lord Jesus Christ, light of the nations and glory of Israel: make your home among us, and present us pure and holy to your heavenly Father, your God, and our God.
Post Communion: Lord, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and Anna, who lived to welcome the Messiah: may we, who have received these gifts beyond words, prepare to meet Christ Jesus when he comes to bring us to eternal life; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Our Pastoral Prayers



To include somebody on this prayer list please let Shirley in the office know by lunchtime on Thursday, making sure the person you wish to be included wants their name in print.

Baptisms: We pray for parents, godparents and those preparing to be baptised.

Those in need of our prayers:

Margaret Moyle, Hazel, Betty Montgomery, Betty Player, Christine Marston, Val & George Crawford Maureen & Ian Thompson

For those who have died: We pray for those who have recently died and their loved ones who grieve their loss.

Anne Jackson

Those whose anniversary falls this week:

Donald Dale, Ann Ring, Barbara Stone, George Biston, Kenneth Puddlefoot, Valerie Selby, Amanda Fox

PRAYER FOCUS

Sunday:

As we gather for the Holocaust Memorial Service, give thanks for Frank Foley and what he sought to do.

Monday:

For those without work and struggling their way through the benefit system

Tuesday:

For our Toddlers and Little Angels

Wednesday:

For those who are in need of the Foodbank today

Thursday:

For all the ways you seek to share God's love with those around you

Friday:

Pray for Tonya and Mark as they prepare to leave

Saturday:

For Deanery Synod meeting today

Deanery Confirmation on Thurs 27th June.

Please speak to Rev Sharon if you are interested in being confirmed this year.

Baptism Friends

Your Church Needs you!

Baptism welcomes individuals of all ages from our community into God's local family in Highbridge.

Baptisms are often attended by a large proportion of people who would not normally come to church who appreciate a good, friendly welcome and help.

We are seeking people who would be pleased to join our team of friends who represent the church at our services of baptism.

If you could help, or would like to know more, please speak to Rev Dan

Holocaust Memorial Day



**HOLOCAUST
MEMORIAL
DAY 27/1**

Join the gathering on Sunday 27th January at noon for a short act of remembrance and to lay candles around the Frank Foley Memorial outside Highbridge Community Hall.

As we give thanks and pledge never to forget

STAMPS, JARS, CARDS

Please continue to bring in to the office/hall/church, any old Birthday/Anniversary/Get Well cards for Pat's ongoing recycling of cards for our funds. She would also be very grateful for any jam jars for her preserve making – also a popular fundraiser.

ARCHDEACONRY DAYS

Wells Archdeaconry Day is on Monday 11 February, 1.30pm - 4.30pm Holy Trinity, Frome BA11 3DE
MORE INFO ON NOTICE BOARD


Churches Together table tennis

Neil Olson is hoping to form a **church team of table tennis** players to join the really friendly third division league (all ages!!). We take the gospel to the people in a whole new way! Give Neil a call: 01278 765953 or email: no1@myphone.coop

200 club subscriptions are now due. Want to know more?.... please speak to Ian Chedzey

CHARITY COFFEE MONEY

Please suggest a charity on the noticeboard in church



Sunday 3rd February
5pm
A Service to Bless the Light
at the end of Epiphany
as we look towards Easter

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CALENDAR

Who's Who at St John's:

Vicar: Rev'd Preb Sharon Crossman	789290
Associate Priest: Rev'd Tonya Nixon	793950
Training Curate: Rev'd Dan Crouch	325194
Churchwarden: Chris Perry	783753

Sun 27th 8am Said Communion 9.30am ****Probably Service of the Word**
Noon Holocaust memorial Highbridge Hall

Tues 29th 10am Toddlers in church hall
7.30pm Outlook meeting in vicarage

Wed 30th 9.30am Said Communion & 10.00am Foodbank Listening Place in church hall

Thurs 31st 10.30am Little Angels in church hall

FEBRUARY

Sat 2nd 10.30am Christian Aid AGM Burnham Methodist church, followed by soup lunch
2pm Deanery Synod – see poster below

Sun 3rd 8am Said Communion 9.30am Communion 5pm Blessing of light service for Candlemas
****3pm Celebration of life for Martin Kleiff at Burnham Baptist church**

Tues 5th 10am Toddlers in church hall

Wed 6th 9.30am Said Communion & 10.00am Foodbank Listening Place in church hall

Thurs 7th 10.30am Little Angels in church hall

Sat 9th 10am Rainbows in hall

Sun 10th 8am Said Communion 9.30am Family Communion

Mon 11th 1.30pm Archdeaconry day in Frome

Tues 12th 10am Toddlers in church hall

Wed 13th 9.30am Said Communion & 10.00am Foodbank Listening Place in church hall

Thurs 14th 10.30am Little Angels in church hall

Sun 17th 9am Said Communion 3pm Shorter Communion followed by tea

The next Axbridge Deanery Gathering

2.00-4.15pm on Sat 2nd February 2019
Wedmore Village Hall, BS28 4EQ

Communicating our story
with Gillian Buzzard
Head of Diocesan
Communication Team



This meeting is open to anyone who would like to attend. It will be especially relevant for administrators, webmasters, magazine editors etc.

To submit an article for the Signpost Weekly please e-mail
office@stjohnshighbridge.org.uk or leave a message on
01278 780633 by 8am on Thursday

Parish office opening hours:

Weds 8am-2pm Thurs 8am-10am Fri 8am -noon

Please ring in advance