

# St John the Evangelist

## 4th Sunday after Trinity

# Signpost Weekly

## 14th July 2019

Dear Friends,

Since I was 11 and a member of the guides, till about four years ago, I made at least one camping trip every year and thoroughly enjoyed it. I loved the simplicity. I loved cooking outdoors. I loved the way the pace of life had to slow down, cos everything took that bit longer. I am very much looking forward to conducting the service at the South West Regional Camping and Caravan Club today. Camping on holiday is fun! But I wonder if today we can also pause and pray for those who have to make their home in a tent, or have to sleep in the back of their vehicle. Some are without a permanent home in this country, some are refugees in appalling conditions around our globe, all year round, not just in our mild summer climate. Of course, we shall enjoy the fun camping, but also remain mindful of those who don't have the choice.

*Preb Sharon*



### **PCC OUTLOOK Agenda: Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2019**

***All our welcome to attend and contribute to the outlook discussion***

**To be held in the church hall**

**Coffee/ tea served from 7.15pm. We will start promptly at 7.30pm**

#### **Opening reading and prayers**

#### **Planning from September 19 to Easter 20**

#### **Harvest Supper**

- Christmas Fair
- Knitted Gifts around Highbridge
- Easter Fair
- Slide show
- Pancake Party

#### **Creative ideas and suggestions**

#### **Publicity**

- Updating website
- Local Reach
- Facebook
- Other

*This ends the OUTLOOK part of the meeting. Non-PCC members are invited to leave or remain as observers.*

**Occasional Changes in Service times to be agreed by PCC Members**

**Quinquennial Report discussion for PCC Members**

***We aim end with prayer just after 9pm***

## COLLECTS AND READINGS

**14th July Deuteronomy 30.9-14; Colossians 1.1-14; Luke 10.25-37**

**Collect:** Gracious Father, by the obedience of Jesus you brought salvation to our wayward world: draw us into harmony with your will, that we may find all things restored in him, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen

**Post Communion:** Eternal God, comfort of the afflicted and healer of the broken, you have fed us at the table of life and hope: teach us the ways of gentleness and peace, that all the world may acknowledge the kingdom of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**21st July Genesis 18.1-10a; Colossians 1.15-28; Luke 10.38-end**

**Collect:** Almighty God, send down upon your Church the riches of your Spirit, and kindle in all who minister the gospel your countless gifts of grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**Post Communion:**

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by your governance, that your Church may joyfully serve you in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## Our Pastoral Prayers



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

### Marriage

Couples preparing for marriage

### Baptisms:

We pray for all preparing for baptism, parents & godparents

### Those in need of our prayers:

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

### For those who have died:

Barbara West (Webb)

### Those whose anniversary falls this week:

## PRAYER FOCUS

### Sunday:

*For those camping in our region*

### Monday:

*For the financial concerns of the diocese and how we allocate our resources*

### Tuesday:

*For our children's groups as term comes to an end. And for the family of Barbara West, whose funeral is today*

### Wednesday:

*For the Outlook meeting tonight*

### Thursday:

*For Churchfield School  
And the end of term services today*

### Friday:

*For those living with long term illness or disability*

### Saturday:

*For patience and safety on journeys made at the start of the school holiday over this weekend*



## SERMON SERIES

From 28<sup>th</sup> July we shall begin a short sermon series focusing on mission in our wider community and what it means to live out our faith every day.

- 28<sup>th</sup> July** Telling our story.
- 4<sup>th</sup> August** Nurturing our faith.
- 11<sup>th</sup> August** Caring for the vulnerable.
- 18<sup>th</sup> August** Speaking out for justice.
- 25<sup>th</sup> August** Caring for God's creation.



## OFFICE CLOSURE

From the week commencing 22<sup>nd</sup> July the parish office will not be staffed due to the new office opening hours being term time only however please do leave a message on the answer machine which will be checked regularly or contact Rev. Sharon or Rev. Dan.

## FOODBANK

Thank you if you contribute to the foodbank. If you are a regular contributor or are able to give occasional please note that the following items are currently needed:

- tinned fruit (400gms)
- tea bags (80's)
- Fruit Juice (long life)
- UHT milk (1 litre)
- Breakfast Cereals

*We have plenty of beans and soup!!*

## Do you want answers to the following questions?

- When is the next music marathon?
- Who will be our next priest?
- How will Dan cope without Sharon?
- Why haven't we had a flower festival?
- Why did the Sunday School close?
- What does it actually cost to run this church?
- When is the next church fair?
- Why don't we do more for the baptism families?
- Who visits the sick?
- How can we get more involved with Churchfield School?



These are the questions the PCC need to be addressing, but with only six members rather than twelve it is very difficult. Help St John's find the answers by being part of the leadership team of St John's which is the PCC. Please speak to Rev Sharon or to Chris Perry (Church warden)

## Somerset time for youth

Starting 15<sup>th</sup> July, every Monday, Thursday and Friday from 2-4pm. Somerset time for youth will be holding a café serving tea/coffee and cakes in our hall. Please do pop along and support this group.



# CALENDAR

## Who's Who at St John's:

Vicar: Rev'd Preb Sharon Crossman 789290  
Training Curate: Rev'd Dan Crouch 325194  
Churchwarden: Chris Perry 783753

## JULY

### Sun 14th 8am Communion 9.30am Family Communion

Tues 16<sup>th</sup> 10.00am Toddlers in church hall – Last session before summer break  
12 Noon Funeral

Wed 17<sup>th</sup> 9.30am Said Communion & 10.00am  
Foodbank Listening Place in church hall  
7.30pm Outlook meeting – All welcome

Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> 10.30am Little Angels in church hall – Last session before summer break  
*Please note Churchfield school have their end of year services and prize-giving in church today. Please pray for all attending*

### Sun 21st 9am Communion 3pm Communion & tea

Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> 10.00am No Toddlers – summer break

Wed 24<sup>th</sup> 9.30am Said Communion & 10.00am  
Foodbank Listening Place in church hall

Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> 10.30am No Little Angels - summer break

### Sun 28th 8am Communion 9.30am Communion

Tues 30<sup>th</sup> 10am No Toddlers  
7.30pm Baptism Preparation

Wed 31<sup>st</sup> 9.30am Said Communion & 10.00am Foodbank Listening Place in church hall

## August

Thurs 1<sup>st</sup> 10.30am No Little Angels

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by noon on Thursday

Parish office opening hours

Wednesday 9.30am -2.30pm, Thursday 12 noon - 2.30pm, Friday 9.30am – 12.30pm Term time only

*Please ring in advance*

**FOR SALE:** Rev Sharon has the following items needing to find a new home. Petrol Lawn Mower, Leaf blower/collector, electric garden strimmer, power washer, medium sized snooker table, dart board, cross trainer, sofas, chairs, desks. There may also be a fridge, freezer, cooker, dishwasher  
Please ring 01278 789290, or text 07712 117721