

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Sun	8.00am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Parish Communion
	Readings:	'Desert Detours' - Exodus 3: 7-15
	6.30pm	No service
Mon	9:30am-noon	Coffee Morning at SJ's
	8.00pm	No Prayer Meeting at SJ's
Tue	6.15pm	CRU2 (Urban Saints) (Yrs 3-5) 7.00pm
		Club 2000 (Yrs 6-9) meet at Coney Hill Baptist Church
Wed	1pm-4pm	CareerCafé drop-in at SJ's
	4pm-7pm	CareerCafé appointments
Thurs	7.30pm	14+ in church
Fri	10am	Hearing Aid Servicing Clinic at SJ's

NEXT SUNDAY – 20th January

8.00am	Holy Communion
10.00am	Morning Worship
11.30am	Holy Communion
6.30pm	No service



THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Moses and Aaron were trying to get Pharaoh to release the Israelites from slavery in Egypt without success. So the Lord told Aaron that if Pharaoh wanted a sign from the Israelites God (the Lord) then Aaron should confront Pharaoh and throw down his staff in front of him. What happened?
Read Exodus 5: 8 - 10

MONDAY EVENING PRAYER MEETINGS 8pm @ SJ's

In January the meetings will take place on 7th & 14th. All welcome.

St John's
west wickham

13th January 2019
2nd Sunday of Epiphany



NEW SERMON SERIES: "GIFTS"

Back in November, we met in the Assembly Rooms and discussed ways we might come to a clearer understanding of what our individual/joint strengths and gifts might be.

Part of the fruit of those discussions is this new series, which we will be running up to Lent. It will start by drawing us right back to our purpose/vocation as humans, but will consider how we discern, exercise and grow our gifts, and reflect on the relationship between 'spiritual' and 'natural' gifts. Through the series we will also offer different tools to help people gain a clearer insight into their gifting.

On 24 March, we'll get back together in the Assembly Rooms with a view to re-invigorating some of our Teams, and thinking how we can give expression to our gifts for God's kingdom.

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WELCOME

If you are joining us for the first time today and wish to find out more about what goes on then introduce yourself to one of our leadership team, or **fill in one of our Connect Cards**. Equally, help yourself to any of our packs, which explain a bit more of what's going on in our church family.



ALPHA COURSE

Our 2019 Alpha Course starts on **Thursday 24 January, 7:45pm at SJ's**. We've already had

three people from the community sign up on the back of our Christmas Services. We're encouraging you to extend an invitation to people you know and postcards are available to collect from church this Sunday. You'll notice they don't have all the details about our course on them – that's deliberate! The idea is that you chat to people about the course, and you can point them to our website for further details, or provide them personally.

Make it one of your 2019 resolutions to pray and ask someone!



WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

18th – 24th January

Services in West Wickham

18 Jan - St Mark's

19 Jan - Emmanuel (10am)

20 Jan - St John's (6.30pm)

21 Jan - Hawes Lane Methodist

22 Jan - Coney Hill Baptist

23 Jan - St Mary's

24 Jan - West Wickham & Shirley Bapt

All services at 8pm unless otherwise stated. All welcome.



CRECHE ROOMS

Amber is going to be doing a big sort out in the two crèche rooms 28th-31st January. If you are able to collect rubbish, do charity shop trips or clean the carpet (using J&A Stockdale's carpet cleaner) then please let her know.



CONFIRMATION SERVICE –

3 FEBRUARY, 6PM

Bishop Jonathan will be conducting a Confirmation Service at St Mary's, West Wickham on the 3rd. If you are interested in being confirmed then let Jon know as soon as possible, thanks.



CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE'S NEWSLETTER

Please see separate sheet for Amber's update.



FOODBANK NEEDS

The list of items most urgently needed is now as follows: Jam, Vegetarian (Macaroni

Cheese, Ratatouille, Veg Curry etc.), Sweets, Rice Pudding and Custard, Tinned Potatoes, Cooking Sauces, Rice (small bags), Washing up Liquid, Size 6 Nappies, Shaving Foam/Gel, Children's Toothbrushes.

Please put any donations of the above in the box in the church porch. Thank you.



SJ'S VOLUNTEERS

SJ's would like to invite existing volunteers and anyone who would like to volunteer with us, to afternoon tea on Sunday 20th January at SJ's from 4-5pm. RSVP to Heather, Felicity or Milly.



SARAH MORGAN'S NEWSLETTER

Please see separate sheet for Sarah's update from Malawi.



'18-35' EVENING

You may recall that last year we began a series of discussions about how we might better serve this age group. On 29 January, 8pm at SJ's, we're going to have a meal

and share some of the vision for what came out of those discussions – with a view to getting something started as soon as possible. If you're in this age group, come along and find out more.



PRAYERS

Please pray for:

- Steve Read and his work with Ambassadors

Football, our mission focus this month;

- The Alpha Course, particularly as we extend invitations to the people we know;
- Harry Young receiving treatment in Kings following a serious fall, and Audrey, as she travels to and from hospital to see him;
- Jim Walters, as he recoups from heart surgery;
- Christine Blackburn, that she would recover strength with real speed;
- Carole Aldrich, as she prepares for Pete's funeral, which is this week;
- St John's – that we would approach 2019 with renewed faith and passion.
- The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity and the new direction Churches Together in West Wickham are looking to take;