### WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

8.00am **Holy Communion** Sun 10.00am Parish Communion

> It's OK to not be OK - 'Overwhelmed - the view from Readings:

> > above': Job 1: 1-13

6.30pm No service

**Mon** 9.30 – noon Coffee Morning at SJ's

Prayer Meeting at SJ's 8.00pm

Cru 2 (Urban Saints) (7-11s) at the Assembly Rooms 6.15pm Tue

7.30pm Club 2000 (11–13s) meet at Coney Hill Baptist Church

8.00pm PCC

Open Door for mothers & children at SJ's **Wed** 9.30am

> 1:00-7:00pm CareerCafe at SJ's

**Thur** 7.30pm 14 Plus – Venue as advised

10am – noon Craft Club at SJ's Fri

**NEXT SUNDAY – 21<sup>st</sup> May** 

8.00am **Holy Communion Parish Communion** 10.00am

No service 6.30pm

### THIS WEEK'S QUESTION



What was written on the tablets of stone that Moses broke? Also, when God told him to hew two more tablets and take them to him up the mountain, what else was he told to do? Read Deuteronomy 10: 1 - 4

### **MONDAY EVENING PRAYER MEETINGS**

8-9PM @ SJ'S

Meetings in May on  $15^{th}$  &  $22^{nd}$ .



14<sup>th</sup> May, 2017 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter













# **IT'S OKAY** TO NOT BE OKAY

Churches are sometimes very adept at bandying around the idea of 'authenticity', but aren't always so great at creating an environment in which those who are finding life tough can feel safe enough not to 'have it all together'.

The above is the title of the teaching series that begins this Sunday. A sermon series will only take us so far. However, it's intended to be one element to help us consider what it means to be faithful Jesus followers, but followers who are honest that faith doesn't sweep away the impact of the struggles that life throws up.

Over the coming weeks, we'll look at things such as doubt, anxiety, fear, busyness and loneliness, trying to avoid superficial sticking plasters, but inviting God's Spirit to be at work in the places which ail us.

Everyone's welcome – unless of course, you've got it all sorted.

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#### WELCOME

If you're a visitor this morning and wish to find out more about what goes on then do introduce yourself to one of our leadership team. They can connect you with people and groups in our church family. You can also find out more from our website.



# THIS MONTH'S PRAYER FOCUS

'Thy Kingdom Come' –
The Archbishop's initiative; praying for people to come to faith.

Do grab the prayer flier for full details.



# TODAY CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 14-20 May 2017

This year, in addition to the house-to-house collection, the MOP and SJ's teams are planning tea, coffee and cake at SJs after the morning service today (May 14<sup>th</sup>) (there will be no refreshments at church) to highlight the work of Christian Aid, and we would love you to join us. Please let Peter Churcher know if you can contribute a cake. If anyone can help us in the house-to-house collection, please contact Anne Ford (020 8289 2432) or Jeff Seabrook (020 8777 0014).



# THY KINGDOM COME

A GLOBAL WAVE OF PRAYER

We've been looking at the Lord's Prayer recently, and this entreaty which comes from the prayer that Jesus taught is the title of a 'call' to Christians in the UK and beyond. The Archbishop of Canterbury is inviting followers of Christ around the globe to join a wave of prayer between Ascension and Pentecost (25<sup>th</sup> May – 4 June).

The purpose is specific - to pray that people we know might come to know Jesus.

The hope is that as Christians unite together in this prayer, we will all be confidence given new and encouragement by the Holy Spirit to become more effective witnesses. We're going to join in with this movement. Look at the noticeboards in church. and go to www.thykingdomcome.global, for resources to help individuals, families and churches pray.



### BROMLEY BOROUGH FOODBANK LADIES FASHION SHOW

Saturday 20th May,

7pm at Bromley Baptist Church, Park Road BR1 3HJ Come and join us for a fun evening to raise funds for the Foodbank.

Tickets £6 available from Jackie Barter



### SERVE, ENABLE, LEAD: RESOURCING DISCIPLESHIP & LAY LEADERSHIP

Saturday 10 June, 10am-4pm.

See the notice board for more details of content of the day, but if you want to go, please can you let Margaret Kingman know in the next week.



# SPRUNG

(Formerly SPREE)
Downe Scout Camp
7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> July 2017

Since we are so nearby and having a more DIY arrangement we are asking everyone to pitch in. We

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## LIV SCHOOL SOUTH AFRICA FUNDRAISING

Amber Stockdale is working at this school and is asking us to support an event there to raise money for learning assessments & resources. Last Sunday (7<sup>th</sup> May) 56 children competed in the Delloite Challenge 5k & 10K races. If you would like to make a donation please go to

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/LIVschoolfundraiser



#### **THANK YOU**

At the Village Day last Monday, almost £50 was given for the Disasters Emergency

Committee for the famine in East Africa at the SJ's tent (the stand in the giant bubble). Thank you to everyone who contributed.



#### **PRAYERS**

Please pray for:

Tim & Maggie Gaved working with Wycliffe Bible Translators, &

Christian Aid - our mission focus this month;

- For Mental Health Awareness Week

   that we would all become people
   who help one another 'thrive'
   rather than just 'survive';
- Our political leaders as they outline their General Election manifestos.
   That we would be people who look beyond personality to the impact policy will have on our nation;
- For those we know to come to faith in Jesus;
- Our young people as they move into the exam season;