

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Sun	8.00am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Church Parade & Infant Baptism
	NB Refreshments from 09.45am	
	Reading	'Last Christmas' – Isaiah 9: 2-7
	3pm – 5pm	Christmas Choir Practice
Mon	9.30am – noon	Coffee Morning at SJ's
	8pm	Prayer meeting at SJ's
Tue	6.15pm	Journey (CRU2) (Yrs 3-5) CH Baptist
	7.30pm	Explore (Club 2000) (Yrs 6-9) at CH Baptist
	7.30pm	Discover (14+) at CH Baptist
Wed	1pm – 4pm	CareerCafé
Thur		
Fri	10am	Craft Club at SJ's

NEXT SUNDAY – 8th December

8.00am	Holy Communion
10.00am	Parish Communion
12 to 1.30pm	Christmas Choir Practice
5pm	Carols in the Park outside Parklands Nursery



THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Ahaziah, the new king of Israel (who worshipped Baal) fell through the lattice in an upstairs room in his palace and was badly injured. He sent messengers to the temple of Baal, to ask whether he would recover. They never got to the temple because the Lord had told Elijah to intercept them and ask them why they were going to ask Baal if the king would recover. What message did Elijah tell them to give to the king?

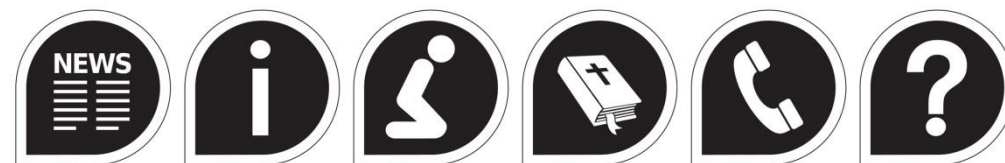
Read 2 Kings 1: 2 - 6

PRAYER MEETINGS @ SJ's at 8pm

The last Monday evening meeting of the year will be on 2nd December. Prayer topics will be our Christmas services and activities, as well as the forthcoming General Election. All welcome.



1st December 2019
1st Sunday of
Advent



FOLLOW UP...

TEAMS

We hope that you've had some space to pray and reflect on the things that were raised at our time in the Assembly Rooms last week. Take the opportunity in the coming weeks to open conversations with our new Team Leaders as to what possible involvement in a Team might look like.

If you were unable to make it last week, then head to the website for the Team Profiles (which includes contact details for the leaders). They will give you a good start, but nothing quite replaces a face to face chat to get a feel for what we are trying to achieve.

CHURCHSUITE

Last Sunday, we also launched ChurchSuite, our new church communication tool. Please remember to create a login password if you received an email invitation so to do. If you didn't receive an invitation, please check your junk or spam folders in case it is there. Otherwise please contact Margaret in the Parish Office (parishadmin@stjohnsww.com) for a GDPR form or download one from our website under 'About/ Forms'. There is an information sheet on the parish website under 'Blog' which gives more information.

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WELCOME

A big welcome to Louise, Christopher and their friends and families, as they bring Teddy to be baptised this morning. It's a treat to have you with us and we hope you feel at home.

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**.



ADVENT APPROACHES

Today we start an advent series called 'Christmas Playlist', looking at some of the most popular songs of Christmas – to see what nostalgia and desires they tap into, and compare that with what the nature of God's promises to us.



CHRISTMAS DATES
BIG CHRISTMAS SING
Saturday, 7th
December at 4pm at St Francis' Church.

CAROLS IN THE PARK

Sunday 8th December @ 5.00pm
outside Parklands Nursery.

Help needed any time from 3.00pm to set up. Please contact parklandsnursery@hotmail.com or ring 07940 821271

MESSY CHRISTMAS!!

14th December at 10:30am in church
Craft, games, food and Christmas!! What more could you want?! Grab a flyer or talk to Amber if you are interested in getting involved.

CAROL SERVICE

15th December @ 7pm in church

Choir rehearsals on:

1 December, 3:00-5:00pm

8 December, 12noon to 1.30pm

Rehearsal before the service itself at 4.30pm on 15 December. Everyone is welcome!

CHRISTINGLE SERVICES

24th December @ 3pm & 5pm in church

Collection candles are available in the porch.



CAKE SALE

We raised a fabulous £210.42 from the Malawi Rainy Season cake sale and a huge thanks to everyone. The pastors at Flood Church Lilongwe (who we are entrusting this money to) were absolutely thrilled and immediately sent us a picture of a very stormy sky over Lilongwe as they drove home from church. They said the donation was very timely, as they were just working on plans for some roof repairs. Thanks again to you all.



VISITOR

The daughter of a friend of Charlotte Faint is doing work experience with Amber from next

Sunday. Her name is Mirre, she is 16, lives in Holland and speaks good English. She will be helping Amber with many of the children's activities. If you are doing an activity that week that you think she could help with, then please do tell Amber or Charlotte. Otherwise please say hello when you see her!



BROMLEY HOMELESS SHELTER

The Bromley Homeless Shelter, run by the churches in Bromley, supports the homeless by providing a Winter Night Shelter from November to March. Run entirely by volunteers, the Bromley Homeless Shelter is looking for financial support and volunteers to help with the Night Shelter. Further information from:

www.bromleyshelter.org.uk



NEW YEAR'S EVE

Jane and Adrian are hosting an Open House on New Year's Eve, 8pm onwards. Please bring drinks, games or nibbles. Please confirm by 27th Dec if you can attend. Address is 21 Wickham

Court Road, BR4 9LW. Email Jane on janerbrts1@gmail.com or ring 07956 087726.



FILM NIGHTS

Friday evenings @ SJ's

13th Dec - Nativity

20th Dec - Scrooged

Arrive 6.30pm for mulled wine & nibbles. Film starts 7pm. No charge.



SPARE WARM CLOTHES?

As the weather is starting to turn and get chilly, we would love to do something as a church to help the homeless in and around Bromley. We are looking to collect new and pre-loved jackets, gloves, scarves, thermals etc, for both men and women. Please pop these clean items in the entrance foyer in the plastic tub. If you have any questions, please speak to Alexandra Dobson.



PRAYERS

Please pray for:

○ 'Bromley Homeless Shelter' and 'There is Hope Malawi' our Christmas charities and mission focus this month;

○ The Shanny family after Teddy's baptism today.