

## WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

<b>Sun</b>	8.00am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Morning Worship
	Reading:	You are ... to embrace the golden rule – Matthew 7:12
	11.30am	Holy Communion
	6.30pm	No service
<b>Mon</b>	9.30am – noon	Coffee Morning at SJ's
	8pm	Prayer meeting at SJ's
<b>Tue</b>	6.15pm	Journey (CRU2) (Yrs 3-5) CH Baptist
	7.30pm	Explore (Club 2000) (Yrs 6-9) at CH Baptist
<b>Wed</b>	1pm – 4pm	CareerCafé
<b>Thur</b>		
<b>Fri</b>	10am	Craft Club at SJ's

## NEXT SUNDAY – 3<sup>rd</sup> November

8.00am	Holy Communion
10.00am	All Together Service with Infant Baptism
Refreshments from 09.45am	
6.30pm	No service



### THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Elijah was camping by a brook but when it dried up due to lack of rain and left him without a source of water to drink, God told him to go to a certain village where he would find a widow whom he had instructed to feed him. What happened when Elijah met the widow?

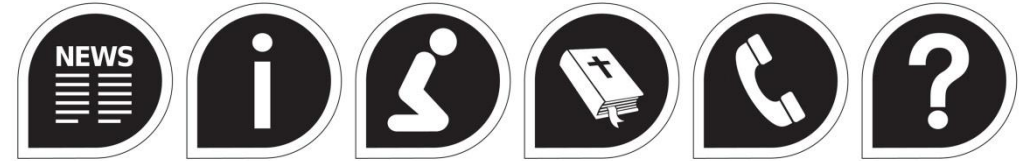
Read 1 Kings 17: 10 – 16

### PRAYER MEETINGS @ SJ's at 8pm

28<sup>th</sup> October - with special focus on The Bible Society & Light the Night.

Also 4<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> November.

All welcome.



## WHEN DID YOU FIRST HEAR?

I honestly don't remember the first time I heard "the Gospel", one day it just clicked.

I'm sure the foundations set by years of church kids clubs, prayer and then the work of the Holy Spirit is what set my heart alight.

And, just like in the beginning, God is still speaking light into the darkest places. This Thursday is Light the Night, one of our most visible expressions of displaying the light of Jesus to our community.

So on Thursday wake up in the morning and pray for Light The Night, have a coffee, and pray again, invite friends to come, pray, tun up to participate, pray, cook the sausages, pray, sweep up the glitter and you guessed it... pray again.

Kids events aren't just fun and sparkles... they are the foundations being laid, through service, prayer and the presence of the Holy Spirit to speak true "light" into the hearts of those yet to find it.

## 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.



## PARENTING FOR FAITH

This is an 8-week course that we are really excited to be running in the New Year for the first time at St John's. It's a little different to other parenting courses – the clue is in the title, but it's specifically focused on how we nurture a close walk with God in our children, rather than looking at parenting more generally.

It's doesn't matter the age of your kids, and it's also a great course if you're a grandparent, godparent, aunt or uncle. Grab the insert for more details of dates and timings, but we will provide a meal, and aim to offer people who can babysit to allow couples to come together. If that's not going to work for you, the course is still effective if you have to mix and match, say alternate weeks between you.

There will be limited places, and we anticipate they will go fast, so let Amber know as soon as possible if you want to book a spot.



## LIGHT THE NIGHT

**31<sup>st</sup> October**, 6pm at St John's. The evening will involve crafts, indoor/outdoor games and Hotdogs. If you would like to support or get involved please contact Amber asap.



## THANKSGIVING SERVICE

**Sunday 10th November at 3pm**

The annual Thanksgiving service for those who have been recently bereaved, is being held on Sunday 10th November at 3pm. here at St. John's. Invitations have gone out to the community, but anybody from our own church family who would like to come along are very welcome.



## SENIOR CITIZENS' CHRISTMAS LUNCH

at the Assembly Halls, **Saturday 30th November. 12.30pm.** Lifts available. Please contact Sue Blair on 020 8462 6965 by 22nd November if you wish to attend or invite someone. Invitations available soon.

## HELP NEEDED for Senior Citizen's Christmas Lunch

Please see separate flyer. If you can help please contact

Sue Blair 0208462 6965,  
Lorna Carey 07506 146300  
or  
Elzbieta Cieniala 8462 1737  
Thank you.



## CHOIR FOR CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

We will be having a choir again for our Carol Service on 15 December (7pm). If you're interested in being part of the team, let Barbara Bassot know. The rehearsals will be in church on the following Sundays:  
3 November, 3:00-5:00pm  
10 November, 5:00-7.00pm  
17 November, 3:00-5:00pm  
24 November, 3:00-5:00pm  
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!



## DIARY DATE

**24<sup>th</sup> November 2019 at 10am**

We will meet at the Assembly Rooms for our service instead of in church. The 8am service will be in church as usual. Please make a note of the date.



## PRAYERS

Please pray for:

- The Bible Society; our mission focus this month;
- The success of the Autumn Fair;
- The Bromley Foodbank and their ongoing work with those who are struggling to manage;
- Preparations for Light the Night and the connections we will have with our community on that evening;
- Our nation's leaders as they continue to try and forge a way forward with Brexit;
- The Happiness Course that it will help meet a need for better mental wellbeing.



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