

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Sun	8.00am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Parish Communion
	Reading:	Ephesians 4:17- 5:20. Living the Life
	6.30pm	No service
Mon	9.30 – noon	Coffee Morning at SJ's
	8.00pm	Prayer Meeting at SJ's
Tue	6pm-7.30pm	Light the Night in church
Wed	9.30am	Open Door for mothers & children at SJ's
Thur	1.30pm	Shine at SJ's
	7.30pm	14 Plus – 44 Windermere Road
Fri	10am – noon	Craft Club at SJ's

NEXT SUNDAY – 5th November

8.00am	Holy Communion
10.00am	Family Service with infant baptism
6.30pm	Prayer Meeting

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

The Lord told a certain prophet to ask a fellow prophet to strike him but the man refused. The prophet told him "because you have disobeyed the voice of God, you will be killed as soon as you leave me". How was the man killed?

Read 1 Kings 20: 35 - 36



MONDAY EVENING PRAYER MEETINGS

8-9PM @ SJ'S

In October these will take place at 8pm at SJ's on 9th, 16th, & 30th.

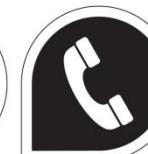
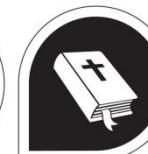
The meeting on 30th will focus on Light the Night.

All welcome.



29th October 2017

Last Sunday after Trinity



ADVENT QUIET MORNING

Advent is a time of year that we stop and reflect. We plan to stop because life can be so frantic that if we don't do it on purpose we rush through life barely stopping to breathe. We reflect because otherwise we can fail to notice what we are doing and why.

At Advent we particularly remember the waiting that people did before Jesus came, and the waiting we do now for His return. As we rush into Christmas it is easy for Advent to become a time of stress and frantic activity. Buying the presents, writing the cards, planning Christmas dinner, going to all the events. There always seems more to do. You tell yourself, "I'll stop after New Years", but you don't even convince yourself of that.

We know Advent can be like that and so we would like to offer you a chance to stop and breath. A chance to think about the reason for the season. A chance to get your priorities in order. A chance to spend some time with God as we wait together.

Come and join us here at St. John's for an Advent Quiet Morning,
25th November, 9am-12noon.

Put it in your diary now before it fills up!

If you want to know more, please talk to Peter

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WELCOME

If you're a visitor this morning 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.



THIS MONTH'S PRAYER FOCUS

For all those struggling with bereavement, poor health (mental and physical) and those undergoing treatment.



DIARY DATES

Shine 2nd November
1.30pm @ SJ's for under 5s and their parents/ carers.

Friends & Heroes 5th November 3.30 – 5.15pm in church



MEMORIAL SERVICE

St John's are holding a Memorial Service on **Sunday 12th November at 3pm**, for those who have been bereaved. This is an opportunity to remember and give thanks for the life of a loved one. Invitations have been sent to those in the Community and others we know of. Should you wish to

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come or know of a friend or neighbour who would find it helpful to come, please speak to Sue or Maureen.



JENNY GAVED

We understand from the family that Jenny's funeral is planned for 17th November. There

will be a funeral service at the crematorium for family and close friends in the morning followed by a service of thanksgiving at 2pm at St John's to which everyone is invited. More details next week. Meanwhile if anyone has any memories of Jenny, in particular parents or children – now grown up – who remember the special work that she did with young children, the family would love to hear from you. Please email them to her sister Sue at sue.rogers2051@gmail.com



WEEKLY GIVING ENVELOPES

New envelopes are in the porch for collection. If you would

like to join the scheme or take out a new standing order please see Margaret.



CHRISTMAS CHOIR

Rehearsals for the carol service will be held on Sunday afternoons as follows:

5th November - Coney Hill Baptist,
12th November - St John's,
19th November - no rehearsal
26th November - St John's,
3rd December - Coney Hill Baptist
10th December - St John's
17th December - Carol Service
All rehearsals will be 3pm - 4.30pm, except on 12th November when it will be later. All welcome.



LIGHT THE NIGHT

31st October, 6-7.30pm

Please grab some of the Light the Night publicity postcards to distribute to friends and family. We're also looking for volunteers for the event itself, so pop your name down on the sign-up sheet if you can lend a hand.



PRAYER MEETING

Monday 30th October

8pm @ SJ's

This meeting will particularly focus on

Light the Night.



CAREERCAFE

Due to holidays, the next CareerCafe will take place on Wednesday, 8th

November.



SENIOR CITIZENS' CHRISTMAS LUNCH
Saturday, 2nd December. Invitations are on the Welcomers

table. Final date for reservations 23rd November. **Help needed** – please see separate flyer.

PRAYERS

Please pray for:

- The Bible Society, our mission focus this month;
- Jenny Gaved's family;
- Inquisitive? and the second session coming up in November;
- All those in our church family who work in a commercial setting, and the pressures that bear on them, as they look to undertake their work faithfully;
- All the contact we are having with local schools, particularly through Harvest events;
- Progress with the possible appointment of a Young People & Families Enabler;
- Our Church to be strengthened inwardly by God's Spirit;
- Light the Night preparations.