

## WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

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| Sun  | 8.00am        | Holy Communion  |
|      | 10.00am       | Parish Communion  |
|      | Reading       | God's Pursuit of Us 3 – The Just Pursuit –<br>John 5: 19-29 |
|      | 6.30pm        | No Service  |
| 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 | 7.30pm        | Parenting For Faith Course                                  |
| Fri  | 10am          | Craft Club at SJ's  |

### NEXT SUNDAY – 15<sup>th</sup> March

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

### THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Three months after the Israelites left Egypt they came to the desert of Sinai and camped in front of the mountain. On the morning of the third day there was thunder and lightning and the mountain was covered in smoke because the Lord descended on it in fire. The Lord descended to the top of Mount Sinai and told Moses to bring Aaron up to the top. Then, with the Israelites at the foot of the mountain listening, the Lord started to speak. What was he telling them?

Read Exodus 20: 1 - 17

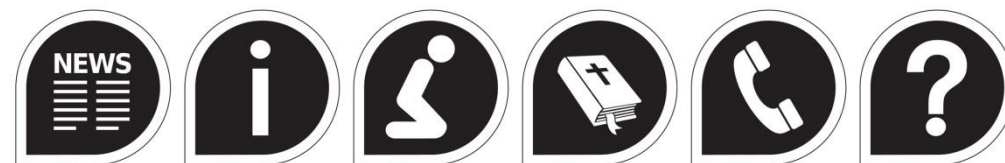


### MONDAY EVENING PRAYER MEETINGS @ SJ's at 8pm

Meetings in March on 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>. All welcome.



8<sup>th</sup> March 2020  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent



## SPREADING HOPE AT EASTER

The Churches across West Wickham are joining together in Holy Week to produce a produce a goodie bag to bless commuters as they head off to work on Maundy Thursday morning.

It was a venture that West Wickham & Shirley Baptist ran last year with success, so we are joining together to cast the net a bit wider. The idea is that we get a production line going on the morning of Tuesday 7 April to assemble the bags, which will contain a bottle of water, some chocolate eggs, an energy bar, and a booklet with some Easter reflections.

We'll then distribute these in a very light touch fashion on Thursday morning, offering them to people with a simple 'Have a Happy Easter'. If you are interested in being part of the 'production team', or available to help on Maundy Thursday morning (from 6:30am!), then please let Jon know as soon as possible. Thanks.

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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**.



### SAYING YES TO LIFE

Yes, we're doing a plug for more Lent resources.

'Saying Yes to Life' is the title of a book by Ruth Valerio and it's the Archbishop of Canterbury's Lent book for 2020 - equally suitable for individuals or groups. It encourages us all to lift our focus from natural, everyday concerns to issues that have an impact on millions of lives around the world. It draws on some strong biblical themes to help us all consider matters of environmental, ethical and social concern.



### ELECTORAL ROLL REVISION

If you are not already on the Electoral Roll please consider adding your name if you've been baptized, you are at least 16 years of age (or sixteen on your next birthday), and live in the parish, or have worshipped at St. John's for at least six months. Membership indicates you view St. John's as your spiritual home, and you'd like to be involved in the shaping of our future. It gives you the

right to vote at our APCM on April 26th, or to stand for election to the PCC. Electoral Roll forms are on the welcomer's table. Please speak to Paul Kingman, Jackie Barter or Amber Stockdale for more information. There is a box at the back of the church for returned forms.



### LINK TO HOPE CRAFT AND CAKE!

Tickets available now for 2 great events combining

craft workshops and homemade cake! **Sat 21 Mar, 2-5pm:** Make a glass beaded charm bracelet whilst enjoying afternoon tea! Also makes a fab Mothers Day gift, or experience together. Ages 10 to adult.

**Tue 7 Apr, 10am-12.30pm:** Easter holiday decoupage class - choose to make a faberge egg, spring hare or dragon money box egg! Ages 5 to adult. Book in advance at [ticketlab.co.uk](https://www.ticketlab.co.uk) or via Facebook events on Milly's Shoebox Superhub <https://www.facebook.com/shoeboxsuperhub/>. Both classes at the Assembly Halls.



### Amber CPC Event, Tuesday 10 March at 7:30pm @ SJ's.

Don't forget to book onto 'How to talk with your kids about sex.' Workshop.

Places can be booked online at [www.amberpregnancy.com/events](http://www.amberpregnancy.com/events)



### COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS WITH CHRISTIAN AID THIS LENT

Why not follow the Christian Aid leaflet of Lenten daily reflections, prayers and actions to give thanks for what we have and help transform the lives of the most marginalised and poor of this world? The giving amounts are suggestions only - please give what you can. Money can be sent directly to Christian Aid or we can send it on your behalf. Adult and children's versions are available from the back of the church. Anne Ford and Jeff Seabrook.



### WARWICK & LOUISE write:

We're on the move from the SJ's flat but two friends are moving in, so look out for them and introduce yourselves if you see them.



### ADDISCOMBE WELCOMES REFUGEES

(See last week's Weekly News.) The charity is eager to speak to landlords who may have a suitable 3-bed, self-contained property, which will be available to rent in the next few

weeks. They can offer them guaranteed rent for two years.

The charity RESET have also made a brilliant 3-minute video in which two landlords speak about their experience of renting to refugees. <https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=wu-Kt5ZG-GE>

If you are interested please email [addiscombe.welcomes.refugees@gmail.com](mailto:addiscombe.welcomes.refugees@gmail.com) or phone 07711 791 729



### FOODBANK

Needs for this week are: Long Life Fruit Juice, Long Life Milk, Rice, Tinned Potatoes, Jam,

Desserts (especially sponge puddings), Easter Eggs (until the end of March), Toilet Rolls, Baby Wipes, Washing Detergent, & Ladies' Deodorants. Please leave any contributions in the box in the church porch. Thank you.



### PRAYERS

Please pray for:

- Amber Crisis Pregnancy Care; our mission focus this month;
- The challenges being presented by the Corona Virus, and how our government and health practitioners respond;
- Judy Storkey and the health difficulties she is facing.