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ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST



9.45 a.m. FAMILY EUCHARIST

Introit Hymn 73

Psalm 148 vv 1-6

Gradual Hymn 595

Offertory Hymn 66 vv 1-3 & 6

Communion Hymn 55 Final Hymn 57

Communion Setting: Mass of St. Cedd - P. Nardone

Eucharistic Prayer: **B** (Page 15 of the service booklet)

Readings: Readings: 1 Samuel 2 vv 18-20, 26

Colossians 3 vv 12-17 Luke 2 vv 41-end

Reader : Mary Bucknell Intercessions : Pam Storer

Sidesmen: Chris Beer and Pat Gregory

Tea & Coffee : Neville Clark and Meg Gwilliam

The music played before and after services is offered as part of our worship. Please use it respectfully as a time of preparation before and reflection after the services.

12.45 p.m. Ethiopian Church Service

N.B. There will be NO evening service today.

Collect

Almighty God, who wonderfully created us in your own image and yet more wonderfully restored us through your Son Jesus Christ: grant that, as he came to share in our humanity, so we may share the life of his divinity; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Reflection

In December 1997, newspapers reported that a 5 year old boy was re-united with his parents on Boxing Day after they had accidentally left him behind at a petrol station. His parents had driven off in separate cars from the garage in Dunmow, Essex, without realizing that their son, Kyle Collins, had gone into the shop to buy some sweets. The boy had slipped out of his mother's car while she paid for the petrol and, when she returned, she presumed that he had got into her husband's car. The parents left the petrol station separately and were driving for an hour before they heard a police appeal on the radio.

We are reminded of the family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph travelling to Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, when Jesus was 12 years old. As with the Collins family, there was a mix-up, and Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem without his parents realizing.

NEXT WEEK

(See also Notice Board at side of Main Door for midweek service details etc.)

Wednesday 4.30 p.m. Church open until 6.00 p.m. with Evening Prayer at 5.15 p.m. approx.

Thursday 4.30 p.m. Church open until 6.00 p.m. with Evening Prayer at 5.15 p.m. approx.

Friday 7.30 p.m. Choir Practice

Saturday 10.00 a.m. Saturday Drop-In – please see separate note

Sunday 9.45 a.m. Family Eucharist

Readings: Isaiah 60 vv 1-6

Ephesians 3 vv 1-12

Matthew 2 vv 1-12

Reader: Ellen Smyth

Intercessions : Tony Grantham

Sidesmen: Mary Bucknell and Sally Firth
Tea and Coffee: Beryl Field and Beryl Fletcher

3.00 p.m. Messy Church with Christingle N.B. There will be NO evening service.

Midweek Church Opening and Evening Prayer

Midweek church opening and Evening Prayer resumes this week on Wednesday, $2^{\rm nd}$ January.

New Bishop of Derby

As you may already know the next Bishop of Derby will be the Rt. Rev. Libby Lane. She is currently the Suffragan (Assistant) Bishop of Stockport, in the Diocese of Chester. She described her appointment as "coming home" as she was born in Glossop and was selected for ordination whilst working in the parish of St. Thomas Brampton, Chesterfield.

Bishop Libby was the first female to be appointed as a Bishop following the vote allowing this in General Synod. The Derby Diocese is, in fact, making history in that it is the first to have two female bishops

Message from the Derby Bach Choir

Following their concert in St. John's on 15th December the following has been received:

The Choir and their conductor, James Foulds, give a warm 'Thank You' to all at St. John's who welcomed them and helped make the event such a success. In recent years it has become a regular booking on the church calendar. In December 2019, however, they will break with tradition and not be performing at St. John's as they will be performing 'Messiah' in Derby Cathedral on 14th December with orchestra and soloists. Derby Back Choir will, however, be back at St. John's for a Christmas celebration in 2020 hopefully with Old Vicarage School Choir again and a brass ensemble.

In the meantime Derby Bach Choir look forward to performing again in St. John's on 15th June 2019 when they will be performing Rossini's 'Petite Messe Solonelle', a summer evening with lovely music and refreshments in the garden.

Used Postage Stamps for Charity

Pat Gregory has asked if people could save used postage stamps and give them to her so she can donate them to the Bransby Home of Rest for Horses. This is a charity that she and her husband John have supported for many years and an appeal has been issued for used stamps by the charity. There is a box in the Social Room in which your stamps can be placed. Thank you.

Recycling

There is a recycling box by the waste bin in the Social Room and anything we can recycle e.g. bottles, milk cartons, even paper, can go in it. Claire Warsop and Charlotte are happy to take it in turns to take home the contents to their own recycling bins when it is full.

Easy Fundraising

Just a reminder that you can help raise funds for St. John's by purchasing goods and services through the Easy Fundraising website (www.easyfundraising.org.uk). It is simple to use. Start your online shopping first at easy fundraising, then within that website shop as normal using the app of the shop or services you wish to buy and nominating St. John's as the charity you wish to receive your donation.

Church Website

St. John's website address is: www.stjohnsmillstreet.org

Contacting Canon Elaine

If you need to contact Canon Elaine other than the Sunday services or when the church is open during the week this can be done as follows:

'phone: 07749 867347 or e-mail: canonelaine.stjohns@gmail.co

ADVANCE NOTICES

Saturday, 5th January 10.00 a.m. Saturday Drop-In

The first drop-in of the New Year. Why not resolve to make it regular date on the first Saturday in each month. Mary and John will be serving refreshments in the Social Room until 12 Noon.

Sunday, 6th January Epiphany

9.45 a.m. Family Eucharist

Messy Church with Christingle 3.00 p.m.

Tuesday, 8th January 7.30 p.m. P.C.C. MeetingThis will be held in the Social Room and be preceded at 7.00 p.m. by a Said Eucharist in the Lady Chapel.

Wednesday, 9th January

1.05 p.m. Lunchtime Talk by Paul McGinley from Live Well

Community Tea in the Social Room 2.30 p.m.

Sunday, 13th **January 9.45 a.m. Family Eucharist and Confirmation** Bishop Jan, Bishop of Repton, will be with us on 13th January when she will be confirming three candidates from St. John's. They are Ceri, Glenis and Jean. It is hoped that as many people as possible will be present to welcome Bishop Jan and the three new Communicant members of the congregation.

Tuesday, 15th January 7.00 p.m. lona Evening

Tuesday, 22nd January 7.00 p.m. Film Night

Thursday, 24th January 6.30 p.m. Overseas Student Evening

The Mission of St. John's Church

To be a caring community striving to follow the teachings of Jesus Christ; sharing in the love of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit; and to love our neighbour, having the Eucharist at the centre of our worship