

8th April 2018

WELCOME

Easter 2

to

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST



9.45 a.m. MORNING PRAYER

Hymns 151, 162, 159, 136

Psalm 133

Readings : *Acts 4 vv 32-35*
1 John 1 v 1 - 2 v 2
John 20 vv 19-end

Collect

Almighty father, you have given your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification: grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Reader : Charlotte Beer

Intercessions : Tony Grantham

Sidesmen : Beryl Fletcher and Bev Varty

Tea & Coffee : Charlotte and Chris Beer

Everyone is invited into the Social Room for refreshments after the morning service.

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

N.B. THERE IS NO EVENING SERVICE TODAY

Reflection

In today's Gospel reading the confession of Thomas, 'My Lord and my God!' can be seen as the earliest expression of Christian belief. Indeed Thomas serves as a model for Christians of later generations. Unable to believe without seeing Jesus and touching his wounds. Thomas is nonetheless ready to confess Jesus as Lord when he sees him. Jesus' words, 'Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe,' are a comfort to us; we who have not seen Jesus in the flesh can nonetheless believe in him and acknowledge him as Lord.

NEXT WEEK

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

Tuesday 6.30 p.m. Derby Music Club hire of church until 9.30 p.m.

Wednesday 2.30 p.m. Community Tea – please see separate note

Friday 7.30 p.m. Choir Practice

Saturday 9.30 a.m. Derby Arts Festival until 12.45 p.m.
2.15 p.m. Derby Arts Festival until 5.30 p.m.
6.10 p.m. Derby Arts Festival until 9.20 p.m.

Sunday 9.45 a.m. Family Eucharist
Readings : *Acts 13 vv 12-19*
1 John 3 vv 1-7
Luke 24 36b-48
Reader : Pam Storer
Intercessions : John Cawrey
Sidesmen : Pat Gregory and Linda Mackay
Tea & Coffee : Brenda and Nick Green
1.15 p.m. Derby Arts Festival until 4.20 p.m.
5.05 p.m. Derby Arts Festival until 8.05 p.m.

N.B. There will be NO evening service

Pastoral Letter from the Anglican Archbishops of Canterbury and York

There is an open pastoral letter from Archbishop Justin and Archbishop John on the table at the back of church in the book corner on the subject of Sexual Abuse – the recent independent inquiry.

Church Opening

Please note that St. John's will NOT be open on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday this coming week between 4.30 p.m. and 6 p.m. Church opening during the week will resume on Tuesday, 17th April.

Invitations to the 190th Celebration service

Our 190th anniversary is fast approaching. It will be a special occasion with the Bishop of Lichfield preaching at our morning Eucharist on 19th August. It would be good to invite people who have a present or past connection with St. John's to join us. There is a list at the back of church and in the Social Room for you to add a name and contact details of whom you would like to invite or who should be invited. We would like to have all the invitations prepared for sending out by the end of April. The list will close on Sunday, 22nd April.

Appointment of a New Bishop of Derby

Informal meetings have been set up to explain the process of appointing a new bishop and invite comments. The meetings are as follows:

11th April Primary School, Chapel-en-le-Frith

23rd April Derby Cathedral

Meetings will be 7 for 7.30 p.m. with refreshments provided beforehand at 7 p.m. The meetings will be attended by the Archdeacon of Derby, Christopher Cunliffe, as Chair of the Vacancy-in-See Committee and by Nadine Waldron, Derby Diocesan Registrar (on 11th April Rachel Morris, Diocesan Secretary, will attend instead of Nadine who is on holiday on that date).

There is also a public meeting on 15th May, (7 for 7.30 p.m.) at St. Thomas' Church, Brampton when The Archbishops' Appointment Secretary for this appointment, Mr. Brad Cook, and the Prime Minister's Appointments' Secretary, Mr. Edward Chaplin will be present as well as the Archdeacon of Derby and the Diocesan Registrar.

Members of Parish churches are encouraged to attend these meetings and comments are particularly welcome on the needs of the Diocese and on the type of person people would like to see in the new bishop.

Derby Arts Festival 2018

Once again St. John's is playing host to some categories in the Derby Arts Festival between 13th April and 3rd May. As in previous years we would ask for volunteers to welcome people to St. John's and assist with any queries e.g. where are the toilets please? A rota to sign up is now available. Please enter your name against the time slot for which you want to volunteer. If you would like to know more about this before volunteering please see either Nick or Brenda, or in their absence Maralyn Wilkinson. Thank you.

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.com.

St. John's Church Website

The church website can be accessed at www.stjohnsmillstreet.org

ADVANCE NOTICES

Wednesday, 11th April 2.30 p.m. Community Tea

This is the date of the next Community Tea when the entertainment for the afternoon will be "Beetle". Please inform those who may not see the weekly Notices.

Saturday, 21st April 7.30 p.m. Concert by 'Mosaic'

This is a concert of A Capella music from across six centuries.

The eight voices of MOSAIC perform a programme of A Capella music ranging from Folk-Songs, Spirituals, Sacred and Secular to Classical and Modern, Jazz and Pop Settings.

Tickets £10 available in advance from Andy Storer or on the door. Proceeds for St. John's Church Restoration Fund.

Sunday, 22nd April 11.15 a.m. Annual Parochial Church Meeting

This will take place after the morning service and will include the election of churchwardens for the coming year and elections to the P.C.C. and Diocesan Synod representatives. Please make every effort to attend this meeting. Thank you.

Sunday, 19th August 9.45 a.m. Family Eucharist

As part of our celebrations for the 190th Anniversary of the consecration of St. John's, the Bishop of Lichfield, the Rt. Revd. Michael Igrave, OBE, will preach at the morning service.

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