

# JOINT PEWSHEET

# St John's Notices



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St John's and the Methodist Church  
in Hurst Green and St George's, Crowhurst

SUNDAY 4 MARCH 2018

The Third Sunday of Lent

Eternal God, give us insight to discern your will for us, to give up what harms us, and to seek the perfection we are promised in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Readings\*

Exodus 20.1-17 (OT page 70)

Psalms 19 (OT page 528)

1 Corinthians 1.18-25 (NT page 177)

John 2.13-22 (NT page 99)

\*page numbers refer to pew bibles



*Welcome! If this is your first time here we hope you feel at home. If you have children with you we welcome them too. They can sit with you during the service or enjoy what we have on offer for them. Please do not worry about when to sit, stand, speak or sing - we will guide you through. Most of all just relax and enjoy some time apart from busy lives to rest in the peaceful presence of God.*

### IN THE CHURCHES TODAY....

<b>St John's</b>	8am Holy Eucharist 9.30am: Sunday Munch for children aged 10+ in York Rooms 9.30am: Parish Eucharist with crèche and children's groups 10.45am: Café Church Band rehearsal
<b>Methodists</b>	10.30am: Local arrangement Café Church
<b>St George's</b>	11am: Parish Communion

**WE PRAY FOR** those who are ill, in need and those who care for them: Phoebe Lollar, Derek Ridout, Kelly Thomassen, Terry Marnell, Kathryn Bardouveau, Sue Cruse, Terry Stent, Steven Thompson, Alan and June Coombe, Rose Gabriel, Lucy Jones, Bill Stewart, Jim Farrell, Audrey Hughes, Robin Parker, Frank West, Mig Ford, Joyce Jones, Andrew Coppin, Margaret Evans.

**ON THEIR BIRTHDAYS** we remember (7) Paul Scales, (8) Mike Harwood, (9) Emily Danaee, Paul Whitehurst.

### CONTACTS:

**St John's and St George's:**

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**The Methodist Church:**

**MINISTER:** Revd Kathy Flynn 01883 372096

- Mon 5 9.15am: Morning Prayer, Lady Chapel  
10-11am: Electrical contractor, no power  
7.45pm: PCC Meeting, York Rooms
- Tues 6 8pm: Hurst Green Singers' rehearsal, Church
- Wed 7 9.15am: Yo Yos Baby & Toddler Group  
York Rooms and St John's Room  
12 noon: Eucharist
- Thurs 8 10.30am: Fortnightly Coffee Morning,  
St John's Room - *see separate notice*  
3.30pm: Rhyme Time, Windmill Manor -  
*see separate notice*  
7.50pm: Choir practice (not Wednesday)
- Fri 9 10.30am: Dementia Friends Information  
Session, St John's Room - *see notice*  
2-7pm: Private booking, York Rooms
- Sun 11 8am Holy Eucharist  
9.30am: All Age Eucharist, Mothering Sunday

**TODAY, 4 MARCH:** We welcome our Archdeacon, The Venerable Moira Astin to preach at our 9.30am Eucharist.

**CHARLES** is taking today's 11am Service at St George's.

**HURST GREEN NEWS:** The bundles of Hurst Green News are in the porch ready for deliverers to collect.

**EASTER LILIES:** If you would like to donate money towards Easter lilies and flowers in memory of a loved one, please sign the sheet on the table at the back of church. Please give monies direct to Sue Farrell or Hilary Dilnot, or put in the slot for flowers in the wall, provided you have marked it 'Easter' and most importantly, with your name! Many thanks. *Hilary Dilnot* ☎717401

**CALLING NEW INTERCESSORS - READ ON!** Our intercessor rota (people who prepare and lead prayers during our worship) has become somewhat depleted! I am looking for some new people who may feel moved to lead the prayers during our services. You may be cautious or unsure but please be bold. It can be such a blessing both to the person leading as well as the whole church. So speak up! Talk to one of the clergy or an existing intercessor to find out more. Take a step of faith and get involved. Once I have a longer list I will get everyone together to learn what's involved and be guided on how to do it! Please don't assume someone else will volunteer because they'll be thinking the same! Thanks, *Revd Anna*

**ALPHA 'TRY IT AND SEE':** Alpha is a well established course to explore the basics of the Christian Faith in a relaxed and friendly environment. There will be a 'try it and see' session on Thursday 15 March at 7.30pm to include an introductory film, meal and discussion. At the end we will then explore together how we would like to proceed and who wishes to attend further sessions. We do need to know numbers so if you'd like to 'try it and see', please sign the sheet at the back of church or contact me to find out more *revd.anna@gmail.com* or ☎712674.

**HOST FAMILY / OLDER COUPLE SOUGHT** for a German lady who wishes to improve her English. Gudrun is in her early sixties, is a churchgoer and sings in a choir. She would like to come to England in late April/early May and stay as a paying guest in an English home for 10 - 14 days. You do not have to be able to speak German. If you can help or are interested, please contact me as soon as possible for further details. *Barbara Richards* ☎715636, email: *bjrichards@talktalk.net*

**SIMNEL CAKE AND SHERRY!** St John's All-Age service for March will be next Sunday (11th, 9.30am) for Mothering Sunday. As this is also Refreshment Sunday we will enjoy sherry and simnel cake after the service. However, we need your help. If you can provide either, particularly the cake (we probably need an extra 3-4 at least) please let Tricia know, [triciawhyte43@gmail.com](mailto:triciawhyte43@gmail.com) or ☎370204.

**RHYME TIME THURSDAY 8 MARCH, 3.30PM:** Since November Windmill Manor residents have been joined by local parents with their babies and toddlers for Rhyme Time. Sessions are at 3.30pm on the second Thursday of every month at Windmill Manor. They are relaxed and include songs for both young and old, led by Wendy Hewitt and her banjo! After the singing and dancing is a biscuit / snack and time to chat to other parents, little ones, residents and carers.

For more information or if you would like to come along on 8 March with your pre-schooler/s, please contact *Kelly*, [kellyvandenbergh@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:kellyvandenbergh@hotmail.co.uk).

**DEMENTIA AWARENESS SESSION** for the St John's community, Friday 9 March, 10.30am, St John's Room. I've recently become a Dementia Friends Champion. I would like to run a trial session with a small, friendly group to help me become more confident with the material so I can run more sessions in the future. The session takes approximately 1 hour with the opportunity to become a Dementia Friend at the end. *Sarah Randall*. Register at: [www.dementiafriends.org.uk/WEBSessionDetails?id=a050J00000WTvkpQAD#.WoCmwujFKUn](http://www.dementiafriends.org.uk/WEBSessionDetails?id=a050J00000WTvkpQAD#.WoCmwujFKUn) or contact *Sarah Randall* for more information ☎07843 606642 or [sarahrandall001@gmail.com](mailto:sarahrandall001@gmail.com).

**COFFEE & CHAT, FORTNIGHTLY COFFEE MORNING** this Thursday, 8 March, 10.30am - 12 noon in St John's Room. Please come and invite anyone you think would enjoy this event. If you or they need transport, contact *Barbara Richards* ☎715636. We hope to see you there.

**TRIP TO ALASKA:** Come and spend an afternoon with Mary Seller in Alaska, and raise some money for church funds. Mary will show pictures of her trip to Alaska on Wednesday afternoon, 14 March at 2.15pm in the York Rooms, followed by cup of tea and cake - minimum donation £5 per person for St John's. For catering purposes, please let Mary know if you hope to come.

**ST JOHN'S MEN'S DRINKS:** The next men's drinks will take place on Wednesday 14 March at The Haycutter from 7:30pm. *Nigel and Ian*

**PARISH PRAYER CALENDAR:** This gives suggestions for prayer throughout the month and has just been updated. Please take a copy from the table.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** You will have seen the artworks placed around the church. These have been created by hundreds of local children and adults from age 4 to 84 in local schools, churches, care homes and other groups. They were inspired by passages from the bible about Jesus' final hours before, during and after his death on the cross. To experience this journey with Jesus fully I encourage you to set aside 30 minutes plus to come to the church during the day and reflect upon it fully, taking the handout of readings at the door and allowing your reactions to the 14 stopping points to become a form of prayer. You will get much more from the experience and I hope sense Jesus journeying with you if you take the time to do this 'properly'. I hope you and others receive something meaningful this Lent through this special gift from the community and the churches for you and all who visit St John's over the next few weeks. Do encourage others to visit too.

## St George's Notices

[www.stjohnshurstgreen.org.uk/st-georges](http://www.stjohnshurstgreen.org.uk/st-georges)

Sun 11 March 11am: Mothers' Day All Age Service

Sun 18 March 11am: Parish Communion

## Methodist Notices

Wed 7 2.30pm: Wednesday Fellowship,  
Mrs Elizabeth Young - Hong Kong

Sat 10 10am: Prayer Group

Sun 11 10.30am: Service led by David Booth

**EASTER CRAFTS:** There will be an ecumenical Easter Craft session at Aggies on Saturday 31 March. Please sign the list in the crush hall if you can lead a craft session.

**FLOWER ROTA 2018:** Joy oversees the rota ensuring beautiful flower arrangements each week. If you would like to do the flowers or make a donation, please speak to her or sign the list in the Crush hall.

**REVD SUE SHORTMAN** will be cycling from London to Paris in September to raise funds for 3 cancer charities. Gwen has the sponsor form.

## Other Notices

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** See St John's Notices.

**MUNCH WITH MUSIC:** Wednesday 7 March at St John's, Caterham Valley, tea/coffee from 12.15pm, performance 12.45 - 1:30pm. Trinity Laban Chamber Musicians, piano, violin and 'cello. Admission free, donations welcome. You are invited to bring your own 'Munch'.

**A TO Z OF MUSICAL THEATRE** Sunday 18 March, 6.30pm, St John's Church, Dormansland. In association with St. John's League of Friends, the West End returns to Dormansland! Sam and Naomi Hiller, with friends from shows such as Les Miserables, Phantom, Cats and Miss Saigon, perform a feast of showstoppers from these and other hit shows, in a sparkling light-hearted tour through the history, highlights and more off-beat moments of Musical Theatre. Tickets £15 from *Wendy Rose* ☎01342 870681.

**CONCERT AT ST PETER'S TANDRIDGE:** English Folk singer-songwriter Kathryn Williams, will perform on Saturday 17 March at 8pm supported by The Effras, in aid of St Peter's Church and Parkinson's UK. Tickets, £18 and £9 (under 18s) can be purchased at [www.wegotickets.com](http://www.wegotickets.com) or ☎01883 714263 (St Mary's Parish Office).

**RISE Theatre** are performing their play 'Romero - Heartbeat of El Salvador' at St Joseph's Church Hall in Redhill on Friday 23 March, 7.30pm. RISE always provide an entertaining and thought-provoking evening out! This time they focus on the life and legacy of Oscar Romero, a man who chose to challenge those in power and stand up for social justice. More information and tickets available from the RISE website [www.risetheatre.co.uk](http://www.risetheatre.co.uk).

**WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE 2018:** Friday 22 to Sunday 24 June. St John's Caterham Valley is currently taking bookings for this year's pilgrimage to the National Anglican Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham in Norfolk. We still have a number of places available and would be very happy for members of the deanery churches join us.

Cost is £149 for full board (children £80.40 / under 5s free) + contribution to travel by car. A deposit of £30 on booking is non-returnable unless you cancel before Friday 16 March. Bookings need to be in by Sunday 18 March. Final balance is due a week before we go. Booking forms and more info: *Father Jerry Garton*, [jerry@garton.com](mailto:jerry@garton.com) or ☎01883 343188.

**Items for Sunday 11 March by 9am on Wednesday  
7 March please to office@stjhurstgreen.co.uk  
or in Janet Harman's pigeonhole at St John's Church**