

# St John's & St Andrew's Noticesheet for 5th November www.sjyeovil.org.uk

### Welcome to all our Sunday services

St Andrew's 9.30 am Holy Communion

Leader & Preacher: Doug Johnson

Prodigal part 2

St John's 10.30 am Together for

Leader & Preacher: James Dudley-Smith

Prodigal part 2

6.30@StJohns Leader: Tom Putt

Preacher: James Maitland

Galatians 5: 1 - 12

Visitors: Thank you for joining us. Feel free to ask for any information

you need, and do introduce yourself to us.

Babies/Toddlers: St. John's has a supervised crèche for 0-3 from the

start of the 10.30 am service. Please ask for directions.

## Reminder: Sunday November 12th is Remembrance Day

At St John's there will be an all-age service in the Schoolrooms at 10.00am, finishing in time for those who wish to, to gather at the war memorial in The Borough at 11.00am. This is followed by a Civic Service of Remembrance in St John's.

At St John's we do not take a **collection** during services but there is an offering plate as you leave the church and all donations towards our significant running costs will be gratefully received.

**Weekly Envelopes:** Boxes for use from the 1st Sunday in November are available for collection at St John's – on the pew nearest to the entrance. Please collect your box or let Anne Wicks know if you need it delivered.

Operation Christmas Child. For the second year running we are supporting this charity to show God's love to needy children around the world. Your filled shoeboxes are being collected at our family service today at 10.30am.

If you have any questions, please speak to Melissa Cary.

**Please pray** for James preaching at a service of evensong - with a choir- at Brympton D'Evercy, this Sunday at 3.00pm. All welcome.

#### **Christmas Boxes for CAP families**

Yeovil CAP centre currently have 30+ families on their client list to whom they plan to give a box of food & gifts this Christmas. St John's and St Andrew's Fellowship Groups are helping with this project.

If you are not part of a Fellowship Group but would like to be involved please do get in touch with me. Ann Johnson (douglasjohnson@btinternet.com)

**Christmas Carol Service**. Rehearsals have started for the Christmas Carol Services. Please meet in the vestry at 12.00 pm following a 10.30am service. (access around the back if the wonky stairs are a challenge!). All welcome! Enjoyment of singing required!

Please note – Next Sunday - 12th November when the civic service is in St John's from 11.00am - there will be a rehearsal in the schoolrooms from 11:15am -12:00pm for any who can manage that time.

Friday 17th November at 7.30pm in the church – An event organised by the Friends of St John's, with an opportunity to donate towards the upkeep of the building. John Beauchamp, our church architect, is giving a talk on the challenges and joys of looking after a magnificent building like St John's.

Christmas Lights-On Event: Saturday 18th November St John's is holding an open church event between 5pm - 8pm, when the Christmas lights are turned on in Yeovil and the lantern parade will be taking place. Helen is looking for people to serve cakes and drinks, make cakes, wash up, supervise people up and down the stairs to the bell tower. We'd like to run a nativity photo booth and some children's craft activities, give out Christmas flyers and talk with the people of our town about our carol services, help with puppets/props. It will be a busy and fun-packed evening and not one to miss! Come along and bring family and friends, neighbours and work colleagues. *Anyone that can help on the evening please contact Helen Peace asap* 

**25th November is... "A Taste of Christmas".** An event for you to invite friends to. In groups you'll go round blind taste testing Christmas food from various supermarkets - (some savoury, some sweet, some liquid). At the end you'll get the results so we can all serve up a delicious Christmas! There will be a short talk between the tasting and the results inviting people to join us over Christmas and to get a taste of true Christmas joy. Tickets will be

available from November 5th.

## William Tyndale – "Bible Translator, Hero and Martyr".

A talk by Brigadier Ian Dobbie in the St John's Schoolrooms, on Wednesday 29 November 7.30-9.00pm. Ian Dobbie is a regular preacher and speaker and a member of General Synod. His talk on William Tyndale is a result of detailed research and it has been much acclaimed on the many occasions on which he has been asked to give it, especially this year, the 500th anniversary of the Reformation.

### Safeguarding update

I reported in May that there is now a Basic Awareness Safeguarding Course (C0) online that needs to be completed by all those who have a role in the Church, particularly anyone in who has not done a training course with me, Jane. It is also for anyone on the PCC, even if they don't help out with the youth in the church we have a number of vulnerable adults attending church and the Diocese team say that PCC members should be aware of Safeguarding procedures. Please note that completion of this course is a prerequisite for any other safeguarding training. If you do not have access the internet this course is also available as part of a face-to-face course. In order to carry out this course, link to https://safeguardingtraining.cofeportal.org/ I know that several people have done this training, if you have please could you let me know that you have completed this course, so that I can keep training records up-to-date. Many thanks. Jane Maclean

An invitation from Bath & Wells Diocesan Evangelical Fellowship to St Peter and St Paul's Church, Shepton Mallet - Wed:22nd Nov: at 7.30pm Speaker Ed Shaw (Emmanuel Bristol)

Biblically Inclusive Church? – welcoming people experiencing samesex attraction.

Further information from: Edward Armitstead on 01935 862785, e.armitstead@btinternet.com or www.bathandwellsdef.org.uk

Cards for Good Causes are selling Christmas cards in St John's.

There is an urgent request for anyone who can volunteer to help run the stalls – a few hours/ a day/ a morning or afternoon. They will appreciate support from our churches.

#### Lord's Larder-at Christmas time we give out 300 special food parcels.

The shopping list is below if you are interested in donating CHRISTMAS food.

# Christmas shopping list

Christmas puddings, Slabs of Christmas cake, Mince pies (in date for Christmas) Chocolate Biscuits Fingers, Coffee, Drinking Chocolate, Tins of Fruit /Cream, Custard, Large Tins of Ham, Tins Salmon, Fray Bentos Pies, Peanuts / Nuts Trifle mixes /Meringue nests, Cheese Biscuits, Cake / Cake Slices (in date), Jam, Honey, Fruit Juice, Sweets, Chocolate.

#### Some points to remember!

- 1. Food needs to have a sell by date beyond Christmas, if we are to include it in a parcel.
- 2. We start packing parcels at the beginning of December so, if possible, send in your donations by the end of November.
- 3. Please let us know in advance if you would like help carrying heavy food donations.
- 4. Please label your bags/ boxes of food donations with the name of your church.

# **Sunday 12th November**

St Andrew's 9.30 am Morning Worship

Leader: Beth Farrington Preacher: Keith Stevens Remembrance service

St John's All-age Morning Worship

Schoolrooms10.00 am Leader: Tom Putt

Preacher: Jam Cary
Remembrance service

St John's 11.00 am at the war memorial followed by

Civic service of Remembrance in

St John's Church

Preacher: James Dudley-Smith

<u>6.30@StJohns</u> Leader: James Dudley-Smith

Preacher: Tom Putt Galatians 5: 13 - 26

Parish Office, St John's Schoolrooms, Church Path, BA20 1HE e-mail: office@siyeovil.org.uk Tel: 01935 427745

A diary of future events and contact details for staff are published in Focus,

and on line.