

Welcome



11th to 17th May

Welcome to St John's

Thank you for being with us here at St John's.

Whether you are worshipping with us for the first time today or have been worshipping for many years, we pray that you will feel the love of God in our midst.

Please stay for refreshments after the service if you wish, all are welcome.

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Sunday services for 11th May (4th Sunday of Easter)

Said Communion (BCP) 8.00 a.m.

Presiding Reverend Colin Simpson

Holy Communion 9.30 a.m.

Presiding Reverend Canon Stephen Bowen

Readings Psalm 23

Gospel: John 10.22-30

Organist Ed Jenkins

Hymns (479) O God beyond all praising
(742) Ye choirs of new Jerusalem
(637) The Lord's my shepherd

Prayer

Please pray for

John Harmsworth

David Mills

Mary Nickerson

Ann Everett

Jeanette Tucker

Shirley Rayson

Chris Paterson

Erica Rydeheard



West Buckland Services

This is the usual pattern of services at St Mary's, West Buckland. All are welcome.

1st Sunday of the month

Lay-led Morning Worship at 11.00 a.m.

2nd Sunday of the month

Holy Communion at 11.00 a.m.

3rd Sunday of the month

Join St John's Holy Communion at 9.30 a.m.

4th Sunday of the month

Holy Communion at 11.00 a.m.

What's on this week

Sunday

Said Communion 8.00 a.m. followed by Holy Communion 9.30 a.m.

Chen Pure Harmony Sound Bath 3.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. in the hall

Tuesday

Talking Cafe 10.00 a.m. to 12.00 p.m. Advice from the Village Agent

Slimming World in the hall 6.00 p.m. to 9.00 p.m.

Wednesday

Wednesday Sings 10.00 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. in the hall.

Slimming World in the hall 4.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.

Thursday

BCP Communion 10.00 a.m. with Reverend Ian Brierley

Tea@3 in the hall at 3.00 p.m.

Blackdown Community Choir 7.00 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. in church

Saturday

Deep Clean of the church 10.00 a.m. to 12.00 p.m. Volunteers welcome to help

Coming Up

Sunday 25th May

Baptism of Hugo William Parkman at 1.00 p.m.

Sunday 1st June

Baptism of Oscar Leo Fudge at 1.00 p.m.

Sunday 8th June and Monday 9th June

Benefice Visit from Archdeacon Simon, more details on the back page.

Singing Volunteers for Pentecost Sunday 8th June

We are looking for church members who would like to sing as a choral group at the Eucharist Service on **PENTECOST SUNDAY 8TH JUNE**. There will be two pieces of music sung during the taking of Communion. Both have melodies you will already know, but they have been arranged with organ accompaniment and can be sung in two-part harmony.

Meeting to rehearse: The first occasion will be **TUESDAY 13 MAY** (this coming week!) at 5 pm for up to 45 minutes. There will be further opportunities to rehearse on the following Tuesdays at the same time. It's quite possible we shan't need all the following Tuesdays.

The Pentecost Eucharist will be at 11 a.m. (Note the time!) at which the Archdeacon of Taunton will be with us as part of his visit to the Benefice. The service will be followed by a Bring-and-Share communal Lunch.

Please register your interest on the Sign-Up sheet at the back of the church.

Update from the APCM

Thank you to those of you who came to our APCM last Sunday, 4th May. It was well attended, and Colin went through the annual report for St John's for 2024. The minutes will be available in church when they have been approved by the PCC. We also held our annual elections for Churchwardens and Lay Members of the PCC. We had two nominations for Churchwardens this year; Andrew Maddocks and Joanne Leigh were duly elected for their third term. There were no extra nominations for Deanery Synod so William Brown and Diane Donohue remain our representatives for this. We received five nominations for the PCC and we have twelve spaces. Valerie Nuttall, Richard Elloway, John Massey, Lenore Clarke and Judith Dufour were duly elected and will join the other members of the PCC, whose names are displayed on the noticeboard. Julie Morton and Barbara Allen stepped down, having served their three-year term.

Thank you to all of those who volunteer for these important roles.

The Home Service

The 'Home Service' is a weekly programme that brings Christian worship into your front room. It is broadcast on 105.3 FM on Wednesdays at 11.00 a.m. and repeated Sunday at 10.00 a.m. It's also available via the internet at any time on www.10radio.org. THIS WEEK: Canon Stephen Bowen focuses on Psalm 23 in our act of worship. We also take time to reflect on the significance of the 80th anniversary of VE Day.

Benefice Visit from Archdeacon Simon

When incumbents are installed, they receive their licences from the bishop with the words 'receive the cure of souls which is both yours and mine'. At visitations, archdeacons give their charge to the assembled churchwardens. Across our diocese, a major priority for us all is the development of shared local ministry.

In order to strengthen the bonds of relationship that exist among us, we are committed to getting to know people, lay and ordained, across our diocese and better understand the context of their shared mission and ministries. From 2025, over a two-year period, every benefice will receive a visit from either their archdeacon or a bishop.

We hope that these visits will provide an opportunity to pray together and reflect on the ministry and mission that we share in this part of God's world as we seek to play our part in growing the church and transforming communities.

Bishop Michael and Archdeacons Anne, Simon, and Charlie.