

Parish Diary

The Fifth Sunday after Trinity

16th July 2017

Good soil, poor soil?

St Mary's

We are delighted to welcome the Revd Theresa Ricketts, Curate at St James', Weybridge, who will preside and preach at our morning services today.

8.00 am Holy Communion
9.15 am Morning Praise
11.00 am Reflective Service with Communion
Hymns: 546, 391, 589, 386

St John's

10.30 am Morning Praise

Readings Romans 8. 1-11 (NT p.153)
Matthew 13. 1-9, 18-23 (NT p.13)

Sunday School finishes in both churches TODAY, 16th July, returning on 10th September at St Mary's and 17th September at St John's.

Discerning Direction & Vision

Thank you to all those who have filled in the Stage 1 Questionnaire. The last day is TOMORROW, Monday 17th July. We are gathering photos and memorabilia so that we can celebrate who we are as a church – "Our Story", if you will. Do bring them to the office or give them to Margaret Valentine or Alastair Duke. We will put together a display for Heritage Day on Saturday 9th September and really celebrate "Our Story".

Please note that the **Parish Office** is now



for two weeks, re-opening on Tuesday 1st August.

**'To be a growing, loving family, with
Christ at the centre, reaching out to all'**

THIS WEEK in the Parish

Wednesday 19th July

10.00 am Holy Communion (St John's)

Thursday 20th July

11.00 am Holy Communion (Day Centre)

Sunday 23rd July: The Sixth after Trinity

Good plants, bad plants

St Mary's

8.00 am Holy Communion
9.15 am Morning Praise for all
11.00 am Reflective Service of the Word

St John's

10.30 am Morning Praise for all

Readings Romans 8. 12-25 (NT p.153)
Matthew 13. 24-30, 36-43 (NT p.14)

Gardening at St John's

Next Saturday, 22nd July
9.00 am – 12.00 noon
Refreshments provided!

'Guardians of Ancora' . . .

. . . is the theme of our Holiday Club this year, running from Monday 7th til Friday 11th August. Each day, the Guardians recover a lost story-treasure, representing a Bible story, in order to bring the light back to the city!

The days will be filled with games, crafts and drama sketches. There will be singing and dancing and a mid-morning snack time and, on one of the days, we will even have a visit from an ice cream van when the children will get to choose their own ice cream.

We have been handing out invites at various events and still have 20 spaces for church families. If you're interested and/or need more information, speak with Mandy or Dawn. The deadline for applying is Wednesday 26th July.

We would really value your prayers for the Holiday Club and the valuable outreach we do during this week. Please pray for the children, their families and all our leaders and helpers, without whom we couldn't run this amazing event. Thank you!



Holiday club needs your help!

Do you have any old **shirts** you could donate as painting overalls? Also, we need plastic **tubs** with lids attached by a hinge, which usually contain mini bakery items. And finally, broadsheet **newspapers**. Please leave at the back of church.

Due to the Vicars' annual leave, the I am service next Sunday, 23rd July, will be a **Service of the Word ONLY**. There will still be a Communion Service at 8am to which all are welcome.

Hall Lettings Manager

Gina Broadhurst has done a great job in the last year as Hall Lettings Manager. However, her work commitments mean she needs to step down ASAP. So, could you be the new Hall Lettings Manager for St Mary's and St John's? The job involves answering emails, taking bookings for events/meetings/activities for both St Mary's and St John's, maintaining a Google calendar and sending out a small number of invoices during the year. This is an important role and may be the only contact people have with the church. It would only require a small amount of time each week. If you are interested and feel this is something you would enjoy doing, please contact Gina Broadhurst 07725 372409, Geoff Rhodes 07770 632086 or Rev Jonny Blair 01932 917736.



Would you like to edit our Parish magazine?

Do you have a gift for creativity? Can you meet a deadline? Do you want to make a positive contribution to the life and growth of this Parish? If so, this opportunity may well be for you... Our magazine editor, Sarah, is planning to return to work having successfully edited the magazine during her maternity leave. Her final edition will be the September issue, so we are looking for someone new to take up the reins. If you're interested in finding out what's involved, please email David Henderson (Chair of the Communications Committee) via the Parish Office: office@waltonparish.org.uk - he will be more than happy to answer any questions.

The bulb has blown on the **AV projector** we use at St John's. It is used for Alpha and other Church events held there. Does anyone have any sources to obtain a reasonable spec. projector? Or is your company replacing them for screens and the projectors are now not needed? If you can help, please speak to John Muggleton (07786 723818) or Jonny (01932 917736). Thank you.

Walton Blind Society 100 Club

Congratulations to the July draw winners:

1 st	£50	293	Roger Hunt, Walton
2 nd	£30	042	Dillon Tumilty, Walton
3 rd	£25	301	Helen Abbott, Walton
4 th	£20	043	Harry Tumilty, Walton
5 th	£15	226	Elaine Shonfield, Thames Ditton
6 th	£15	021	Val Jennings, Walton

PRAYER DIARY

Please pray for:-

Those suffering from illness:

Shirley Brittin: *recovering from a fractured spine;*
Amy Brooks: *Janet Dicker's nephew's wife, with inoperable lung cancer;*
Doreen Butler: *Abi Riehl's step-mother, recently diagnosed with cancer;*
Sheila McMullen: *Morag Darling's sister-in-law, bravely fighting cancer;*
Brian Rofe: *settling into life at Clare House (now to be called Adelaide House);*
Andy Wales: *Janet Dicker's son-in-law's cousin, now having chemotherapy after brain surgery.*

The families of those who have died

recently: Tony Darling & the Revd Mary Stokes;
... and in times past whose anniversary falls this week: Richard Warne.

In the Diocese and the Anglican Communion:

Sun: The Diocesan Communications Team: Nick Edmonds (Communications Team Leader & Deputy Diocesan Secretary); Ontario (Canada) Bps George Bruce and Michael Oulton.

Mon: St John the Baptist, Busbridge: Simon Taylor (Rector); Ottawa (Canada) Bps John Chapman and Peter Coffin.

Tue: St Peter, Hambledon: Simon Taylor (Rector); Oregon (USA) Bp Michael Hanley.

Wed: St Mary, Chiddingfold: Sarah Brough (Vicar); Orlu (Nigeria) Abp Bennett Okoro.

Thu: St Nicholas, Compton with St Mary, Shackleford and St Nicholas, Peper Harow: Caroline Burnett (Vicar); Oru (Nigeria) Bp Geoffrey Chukwunenye.

Fri: St James, Elstead: John Page (Rector); Osaka (Japan) Bp Andrew Haruhisa Iso.

Sat: St Michael and All Angels, Thursley: John Page (Vicar); Osun (Nigeria) Bp James Afolabi Popoola.

Her friends will wish to know that the funeral service for **The Revd Mary Stokes** will be held on Friday 21st July at 2.00 pm in St Peter's Church, Hersham and all from Walton are most welcome.



John Badcock, recently licensed as an LLM, is climbing Scafell Pike in August as part of a group raising money for the National Autistic Society. He hopes to reach a target of £500 so any assistance at all in supporting him would be greatly appreciated. Please follow this link (<https://nas-scafell-pike-trek-2017.everydayhero.com/uk/john>) or see John in person.