

We live life together throughout the week as we seek to embrace and live out our vision, we gather as a community to worship, pray, give thanks and listen in all our services every Sunday. Where else might God be showing up in your week?

Services week commencing 6th Jan

Thursday 9th January

10.00 am Said Communion (St Mary's)

Sunday 12th January

St Mary's

8.00 am BCP Communion

9.15 am Lively Service with Communion

11.00 am Reflective Service with Communion

St John's

10.30 am Morning Praise for all

Readings

Exodus 1:1-22

Matthew 2:13-16

Sunday School New Term Dates

Term starts: Jan 12th at St Mary's & Jan 19th at St John's.

Club Rock & Rock Solid restart Jan 10th

KNOW YOUR CHURCH

Our average weekly attendance across all services at both St Mary's & St John's is approx. 180 adults. We have just under 135 people who give via direct debit or the Parish Giving Scheme. Are you one of them? Is this something you might consider? Direct Debit and the Parish Giving Scheme are just two easy ways you can give regularly. Find out about both and some of the other ways you can give on the website www.waltonparish.org.uk/how

Access all our recent sermons and talks at

www.waltonparish.org.uk/category/sermons-and-talks

Does God heal today?

You can listen to Jonny's Sermon from the Healing Service on 1st Dec online.



Walton-on-Thames

St Mary's and St John's

Parish Diary

5th January 2020

Epiphany

This week's theme:

Gifts for the King

Sunday 5th January

St Mary's

8.00 am Said Communion

9.15 am Lively Service All Age

11.00 am Reflective Service with Communion

(Hymns: 89, 424 (v1,2,3,4,7), 83, 386)

St John's

9.00 am Said Communion

10.30 am Morning Praise

Readings

Isaiah 60:1-6

Matthew 2:1-12

From the Vicars...

Wishing everyone a very Happy & Healthy New Year!

We have a busy term ahead with lots going on in the Parish, all of which can be found in the Calendar on our Website or pick up our January Newsletter which is available now.

Jonny and Cathy

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Exodus – Journey to the LORD

I'm an Israelite – get me out of here!

We haven't studied much Old Testament recently, so we thought about which book would really open up our understanding of God – Yahweh and the people of Israel. Exodus of course. With great storylines including the burning bush, the escape from Egypt and the 10 Commandments, buckle up your seat belts and enjoy the ride in sermons and in Life Groups starting January 12th.

SPRING ALPHA 2020

Alpha provides an opportunity to ask all your questions about life and God and to consider the Christian faith in a friendly, relaxed, non-threatening atmosphere.

Introductory Event - 7.30 pm

St John's Church

Tuesday 14th January

Thursday 16th January

Course Starts

Tuesday mornings on Tues 21st Jan

9.30 - 11.30 am with a crèche

Thursday evenings on Thurs 23rd Jan

7.30 - 10.00 pm with a meal

All sessions are held at St John's Church

1 The Furrows, KT12 3JQ

For catering and creche purposes, please book online at

www.waltonparish.org.uk/alpha

To learn more contact John Muggleton:

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Walton Connections Tuesday 7th January

First Tuesday of each month at St John's

2.30-4.00 pm

Relax & chat. Tea and cake.

Games, music, history, craft, hand
massage... & much more.



Baptism Matters

At St Mary's and St John's, we look forward to sharing your joy with you as you celebrate the birth of your Child. A Christening Service or a Service of Thanksgiving for the birth of your child can be a great start to your child's life and help you as you begin the amazing journey of bringing up your child in this challenging world, by putting God at the centre of your hope for your child and your family's life. **January 2020 Baptism Matters Course** will be held on **January 7th & 14th, 8.00 pm** at St Mary's Church.

For more information please check the website or speak to Jonny Blair 01932 917736 or Caroline Merrick 07419 827739

Ashley School Pen Recycling Scheme

As part of the Terracycle pen recycling scheme we are collecting old felt tips, biros, rollerballs, highlighters and sending them off to be made into new things such as garden furniture! Help us reduce waste AND raise money for the school. Please drop off any old pens you have at school office. Thank you!

Who Let the Dads Out

11th January 4 - 5.30 pm

For Dads and kids (up to 11)
at St. John's Church.

Cost is £5 per family.

All welcome.



EVENING PRAISE Walton Churches Together Sunday 19th January 7.00 pm @ St Mary's

We welcome the Walton Churches together for a joint evening service celebrating Christian unity. Everyone is welcome to join us as we come together to Worship and Pray for our town and community.

Our regular Evening Praise services are informal & contemporary with Worship, Teaching & Ministry. Join us 2nd February & 16th February. If you've never been before you'd be very welcome!

The PCC has received approval in principle from the Diocesan Advisory Committee to dispose by gift of the replica Scold's Bridle which is currently on loan to Big Heritage CIC and displayed in a permanent exhibition in Chester. We are required to display a Public Notice advising of our intentions and offering people the opportunity to view the full Faculty application, and to object to the proposal if they so wish. The notices are affixed to the church noticeboards in the porch and at the Church Street entrance between 4 January and 2 February. The proposal to dispose of the Scold's Bridle was passed without opposition by the PCC at its meeting in October 2018.

PARISH PRAYER DIARY

Please pray for; those known to be suffering from illness both seen & unseen, or poor health.

The families of those who have died recently: Bill Matthews, Phyllis Ferrara and in times past whose anniversary falls at this time: Michael Badcock, Joan Creed

If you wish us to add any family members or people in the Parish, please let the office know and we will add them to the weekly prayer diary.