

*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?*

# Parish Diary

## 26<sup>th</sup> January 2020

### Fourth Sunday of Epiphany

#### Services week commencing 27<sup>th</sup> Jan

##### Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> Jan

10.00 am Said Communion (St John's)

##### Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> February

###### St Mary's

8.00 am Said Communion  
9.15 am Lively Service for all  
11.00 am Reflective Service with Communion  
7.00 pm Evening Praise  
*Echoes of Exodus*

###### St John's

9.00 am Said Communion  
10.30 am Morning Praise

##### Readings

Exodus 5:1-9, 7:1-7, Matthew 10:16-20

#### This week's theme: Exodus: Who are you?

##### Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> January

###### St Mary's

8.00 am Said Communion  
9.15 am Lively Service with Baptism  
11.00 am Reflective Service with Communion  
(Hymns: 202, 470, 383, 474)  
3.00 pm Baptism

###### St John's

10.30 am Morning Praise

##### Readings

Exodus 3:1-17, Matthew 3:13-17

The PCC has received approval in principle from the Diocesan Advisory Committee to dispose by gift of the replica Scold's Bridle to Big Heritage CIC. It is currently on loan to Big Heritage and is displayed in a permanent exhibition in Chester. The box that held the replica bridle will remain in the Church together with a note of its whereabouts. 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.

#### KNOW YOUR CHURCH

Did you know... 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](http://www.waltonparish.org.uk/how)

#### Access all our recent sermons and talks at

[www.waltonparish.org.uk/category/sermons-and-talks](http://www.waltonparish.org.uk/category/sermons-and-talks)



#### From the Vicars...



This weekend we will be inviting all church members to join MyChurchSuite. We will be introducing this in all our services and we will have some information for you to take away. We really hope you will engage with us as we get everybody up and running. ChurchSuite is an amazing tool which not only allows us to simply and effectively communicate with all of you but will also allow you to engage with each other and the church.

#### Jonny and Cathy

#### CHURCHWALK PATH CLOSURE

The path between Church Street and Churchfield will be CLOSED on weekdays from 23<sup>rd</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> January. The path will be open over the weekend to allow Sunday morning services to continue as normal

## 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.

### Join us on

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> January  
9.30 -11.30 am with a crèche  
Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> January  
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 Crèche purposes, please book online at [www.waltonparish.org.uk/alpha](http://www.waltonparish.org.uk/alpha)

To learn more contact John Muggleton:  
[jomug@icloud.com](mailto:jomug@icloud.com) or 01932 224 244

## Walton Churches Together Prayer Fri 7<sup>th</sup> Feb, St John's

8.00 pm – 9.30 pm & 10.00 pm to 12.00  
midnight – join us for all or part of an exciting  
enlivened evening of prayer for our town.  
All Welcome.

## 'Pints of View' – Men's Ministry

Come and join us for 'Pints of View' on  
Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January upstairs at  
The Anglers Pub at 8.00 pm  
Just turn up or contact Rev Alex Oehring  
for more details 07920098867  
[alex@waltonparish.org.uk](mailto:alex@waltonparish.org.uk)

## St Mary's Flower Arrangers

We would love to hear from anyone  
interested in joining our Rota.

The main commitment is to arrange either  
the altars or porch flowers once every 3  
months.

All skill/experience levels are very  
welcome! Please contact Clare on 07808  
392212 for a chat and more details.

## Lent begins on Wed 26<sup>th</sup> February

**Ecumenical Lent Groups** - interested in  
joining one? Interested in hosting or leading a  
group?

Go to [www.waltonparish.org.uk](http://www.waltonparish.org.uk) for more  
information or speak to John Badcock. We  
would be grateful for offers of help by Monday  
3rd February on 07885-653323, 01932-  
888992 or [johnb@waltonparish.org.uk](mailto:johnb@waltonparish.org.uk), or in  
person.

## Hall Booking Manager

We are currently looking for a Volunteer to  
manage the hall bookings for both  
churches. For more information please  
contact Sally in the church office or email  
her on [sally@waltonparish.org.uk](mailto:sally@waltonparish.org.uk)

## Dates for your diary...

### January

Tues 28 <sup>th</sup>	Pints of View 8.00 pm The Anglers
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### February

Sat 1 <sup>st</sup>	Healing Conference 2020 (see notice)
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup>	Prayer Evening with focus on Children & Youth 8.00 pm St Mary's
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup>	Churches Together Prayer 8.00 – 9.30 pm & 10.00 - midnight
Sat 8 <sup>th</sup>	Who Let the Dads Out 4.00 pm St John's
Tues 25 <sup>th</sup>	Pancake Party
Wed 26 <sup>th</sup>	Ash Wednesday Service

### March

Sun 29 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Joint Service 10.00 am St Mary's
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## NEW YEAR EVENTS IN THE DIOCESE

### 'Healing in the Steps of Jesus' Guildford Diocesan Healing Conference 2020 – 1<sup>st</sup> Feb

10 am – 4 pm at Guildford Cathedral

Speakers include **Bishop James Newcome**  
(Bishop of Carlisle), and **Rev Paul Harcourt**  
(National Leader of New Wine), as well as  
professionals speaking on Emotional  
Wellbeing, Nurturing the Mental Health of  
Children and Young People, and Disability.

The day concludes with a service of healing  
and prayer led by **Bishop Andrew Watson**.

Refreshments are provided although please  
bring a packed lunch. Plenty of free, onsite  
parking.

## 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: Roger Jenkins, Anne Gray, Jean  
Wheatley and in times past whose  
anniversary falls at this time.

We also pray for all those who are joining the  
Alpha course this week.

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.

We are very sad to let you know that Roger  
Jenkins, Rosemary's husband, died suddenly  
on Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> January 2020.  
Funeral details will follow.