

Holy Communion

Collect for Sunday

O God,
you know us to be set
in the midst of so many and great dangers,
that by reason of the frailty of our nature
we cannot always stand upright:
grant to us such strength and protection
as may support us in all dangers
and carry us through all temptations;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Genesis 1:1-23
(p4 in the OT of the Church Bibles)
Reading by Steve Lewis

Matthew 6:25-34
(p10 in the NT of the Church Bibles)

Eucharist celebrated by Revd Vincent Gardner

Realistic Christianity

"I Hygge to make people more interesting"

Preaching by Revd Vincent Gardner
Worship led by Revd Gary Collins
Prayers led Mary Langshaw

Hymns for Today

All people that on earth do dwell
How deep the Father's love for us
O, thou who at thy Eucharist didst pray

*O God you search me and you know me
O Lord, hear my prayer*

O for a thousand tongues to sing

*All are invited to come for communion and prayer.
If you do not wish to take communion, please come for prayer.
If you have any particular need, problem or prayer request
please speak to a member of the clergy after the service.*

Café Théologique

Our next event will be on **Monday 20th February**,
7.30pm, Zero Degrees Bar: **'Why we need to talk
about sin - differently'** - Revd Dr Stephen Cherry,
Dean of King's College Cambridge.
His talk will be based on his recent publication 'The Dark
Side of the Soul'.

www.kings.cam.ac.uk/news/2016/dark-side-soul.html

*Café Théologique events are free and open to all. Just
turn up!*



Saturday **March 11th** 2017 7 - 9.30 p.m.

Do you have
A song? A tune? A dance? A poem? Performance
art?

...that you would like to perform?

Please tell Les Pullen or Chris Jupp how you would
like to contribute, be it on stage, or to help with
refreshments or setting out furniture on the day.
And think about who you could invite to come along
and share St John's warmth and fun??



Advanced notice Lent series film nights

9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th March & 6th April 2017



Why not sponsor flowers on a Sunday?
Help to make the Lords House at St John's look
even better. Give something towards the cost
of the flowers or sponsor them to celebrate a
special date, a birthday or to remember a loved
one. Just put your name on the list you can find
on the Church Notice Board.



Next EcoChurch meeting: Monday 13 February, 7.30
at the Laynesmiths. All welcome.

The Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire
Wildlife Trust (BBOWT) run all sorts of events to
enjoy, explore, celebrate and conserve wildlife for
families and individuals. Their current calendar of
activities is on the EcoChurch notice board at the
back of church.

Green tip for February

This is the month to put up nestboxes (medieval
belief that birds chose their mates on 14 February
led to the unlikely romanticisation of a military
martyr's feast day!). The RSPB are giving away nest
boxes to anyone who joins in February or March.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

No birthdays!



- Prayers for Chris Gothard
- Prayers for Spence and the family
- Prayers for Don and Ruth Mason
- Prayers for Jenny Sullivan who used to worship at St John's. She has finished her treatment and waiting for the results of her PET scan.

Items for prayer and notices

Please give any items for prayer or notices to Rev Vincent Gardner *before* 9 am on Wednesday by pigeon hole, e-mail or phone.



Church Diary

Sun 19th	10.30 am	Holy communion (sung)
Tues 21st	12-2pm	Jacket Potato Club
Weds 22nd	1.30-3.30 6-9pm	Oasis Cubs & Scouts
Thurs 23rd	10.45 am 11.15 am	Holy Communion (Cafe) Coffee morning
Fri 24th	9am	Morning Prayer
Sun 26th	10.30 am 2-5pm	Holy Communion (sung) Contact Centre

Small Groups



Oasis (Bridget Barwick).....	966 9735	Wed 1.30pm
Bill & Chris Gothard (Crofts)	966 3511	Thurs 8 pm
Jeremy and Rachel Thake ..	987 1288	Thurs 8.30 pm
Judith Lawrence	954 1332	Thurs 7.30 pm

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St. John & St. Stephen's



**Light 7
19th February 2017**



Don't rush away! Please feel free to join us after the morning service for a cup of coffee or tea. We look forward to your company.

19th February—Marian Harwood & friends
26th February—Thake homegroup

The link person from the Welcome Team today is Marian Harwood