



OneBodyOneFaith



**St John's
Pevensey Road
Pews News
and Service sheet
for 27th October 2024**

During the week
**NO 10am Mass on
Wednesday 30th**
Wednesdays at 10am
Online Zoom service*;
Fridays 10am – 12 noon
Morning Coffee in
Church

*Welcome to
Mass this
morning*

Bible Sunday



NEXT SUNDAY – 3rd
November – All Saints
Sunday
NO 8am Said Mass
10.30am Sung Parish Mass



White poppies for a culture of peace are available at the back of church from today in exchange for a donation to the Mission to Seafarers. Just put a donation in an MtS envelope and drop in the big round collection box.

Our prayers are asked for: David S, Pat, Bobby, Molly, Shirley K, Holly, Ken, Rachel T, Rose T, and Janet.

Please pray also for the repose of the souls of the recently departed,...and those whose Years Minds fall around this time, and all who mourn.

St John's Prayer Cross

All are regularly prayed for by name

Ramona
John H
Bostik
Diane
Goldie
Lorenzo
Arta X

William & Benjie
Dulcie; Zack; Natalia
Miri; Julian; Kourash

RIP: Ozar K
Geoff R; Albert A

Lori-Leigh M
Maite &
Chaz
Glenys J
Amera &
Amy

Lisa; Don
Benji &
Dada
Anna
Helen C
Arthur H

Jeannie & Audrey & family
Terry S
Xander
Nigel D
Thomas
Tia K
Nichola
Olli
Della
Everyone in the Middle
East under duress

Please let us know of those who require this longer-term prayer support. Or pin their names, via the slips of paper provided, on the wooden Prayers Cross at the back of the Church. Thank you.



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Lucy is our Administrator.

Please contact her also for Church Hall bookings.

Safeguarding Officer can be contacted on
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Prayer at the altar said by the choir:
.... grant that what we sing with our lips may we believe in our hearts and what we believe in our hearts may we show forth in our lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Introit: *O taste and see – Vaughan Williams*

Hymn

We have a gospel to proclaim,
good news for all
throughout the earth;
the gospel of a Saviour's name:
we sing his glory, tell his worth.

Tell of his birth at Bethlehem,
not in a royal house or hall
but in a stable dark and dim:
the Word made flesh,
a light for all.

Tell of his death at Calvary,
hated by those he came to save;
in lonely suffering on the cross
for all he loved, his life he gave.

Tell of that glorious
Easter morn:
empty the tomb, for he was free;
he broke the power
of death and hell
that we might share his victory.

Tell of his reign
at God's right hand
by all creation glorified;
he sends his Spirit
on his Church
to live for him,
the Lamb who died.

Now we rejoice
to name him King:
Jesus is Lord of all the earth;

this gospel message
we proclaim:
we sing his glory, tell his worth.

Edward Burns (b 1938)

The Welcoming of the People

Priest In the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy
Spirit. **All Amen.**

Priest. The Lord be with you.
All and also with you.

Prayers of Penitence

Deacon The word of God is living
and active. It judges the thoughts
and intentions of the heart. All is
open and laid bare before the eyes
of him to whom we give account.
We confess our sins in penitence
and faith.

Your word convicts us: all have
sinned and fallen short of the glory
of God. Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Your word commands us: repent,
and believe the good news. Christ,
have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

Your word assures us: Christ
Jesus came into the world to save
sinners. Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Prayer of Absolution

Priest Almighty God, who forgives
all who truly repent, have mercy
upon you, pardon and deliver you
from all your sins, confirm and
strengthen you in all goodness and
keep you in life eternal; through
Jesus Christ our Lord. **All Amen.**

The Gloria in Excelsis is sung

**Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the Highest.**

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, Heav'nly King, almighty
God and Father,
we worship you,
we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

**Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest.**

Lord Jesus Christ,
only Son of the Father.
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy upon us;
You are seated
at the right hand of the Father;
receive our prayer.

**Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest.**

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the Glory of God the Father;
**Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest.**

The Collect

Priest Blessed Lord, who caused
all holy Scriptures to be written for
our learning: help us so to hear
them, to read, mark, learn and
inwardly digest them that, through
patience, and the comfort of your
holy word, we may embrace and

for ever hold fast the hope of
everlasting life, which you have
given us in our Saviour Jesus
Christ, who is alive and reigns with
you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word *all sit*

**A reading from the prophet
Isaiah**

Isaiah 55. 1-11

Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to
the waters; and you that have no
money, come, buy and eat! Come,
buy wine and milk without money
and without price. Why do you
spend your money for that which is
not bread, and your labour for that
which does not satisfy? Listen
carefully to me, and eat what is
good, and delight yourselves in
rich food.

Incline your ear, and come to me;
listen, so that you may live. I will
make with you an everlasting
covenant, my steadfast, sure love
for David. See, I made him a
witness to the peoples, a leader
and commander for the peoples.
See, you shall call nations that you
do not know, and nations that do
not know you shall run to you,
because of the LORD your God,
the Holy One of Israel, for he has
glorified you.

Seek the LORD while he may be
found, call upon him while he is
near; let the wicked forsake their
way, and the unrighteous their
thoughts; let them return to the
LORD, that he may have mercy on
them, and to our God, for he will
abundantly pardon.

For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways or your thoughts, says the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

For the Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

A reading from Paul's second letter to Timothy

2 Timothy 3.14-4.5

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the

message; be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

For the Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Hymn during which the Gospel is brought amongst us.

**There is a book,
who runs may read,
Which heavenly truth imparts;
And all the lore
its scholars need,
Pure eyes and loving hearts.**

**The works of God, above, below,
Within us, and around,
Are pages in that book, to show
How God himself is found.**

**The glorious sky, embracing all,
Is like the Maker's love;
Wherewith encompassed,
great and small
In peace and order move.**

**The dew of heaven
is like His grace;
It steals in silence down;
But where it lights,
the favoured place
By richest fruits is known.**

**Thou, who hast given me
eyes to see
And love this sight so fair,
Give me a heart to find out Thee,
And read Thee everywhere!**

John Keble (1792- 1866)

Gospel Reading *When the Gospel is
announced the Deacon says*

Alleluia, alleluia. Your words are
spirit, Lord, and they are life.

All Alleluia

The Lord be with you

All and also with you;

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus
Christ according to John

All Glory to you, O Lord.

John 5. 36b - end

But I have a testimony greater than
John's. The works that the Father
has given me to complete, the very
works that I am doing, testify on
my behalf that the Father has sent
me. And the Father who sent me
has himself testified on my behalf.
You have never heard his voice or
seen his form, and you do not
have his word abiding in you,
because you do not believe him
whom he has sent. "You search
the scriptures because you think
that in them you have eternal life;
and it is they that testify on my
behalf. Yet you refuse to come to
me to have life.

I do not accept glory from human
beings. But I know that you do
not have the love of God in you.
I have come in my Father's name,
and you do not accept me; if
another comes in his own name,
you will accept him. How can you
believe when you accept glory
from one another and do not seek

the glory that comes from the one
who alone is God? Do not think
that I will accuse you before the
Father; your accuser is Moses, on
whom you have set your hope.

If you believed Moses, you would
believe me, for he wrote about me.
But if you do not believe what he
wrote, how will you believe what I
say?"

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

The Creed

Deacon Let us declare our faith
using the words of the Nicene
Creed:

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord,
Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were
made.**

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy
Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified
under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death
and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the**

Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand
of the Father.

He will come again in glory to
judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom
will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds
from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken
through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic
and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection
of the dead, and the life of the
world to come. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

The Peace

Priest Let the word of Christ dwell
in you richly. Let the peace of
Christ rule in your hearts. The
peace of the Lord be always with
you. **All and also with you.**

Deacon Let us offer one another a
sign of God's peace

All may exchange a sign of peace.

Offertory hymn *during which the
altar is prepared, and bread and wine
are placed upon it.*

At the name of Jesus
every knee shall bow,
every tongue confess him
king of glory now;

'tis the Father's pleasure
we should call him Lord,
who from the beginning
was the mighty Word.

At his voice creation
sprang at once to sight,
all the angel faces,
all the hosts of light,
thrones and dominations,
stars upon their way,
all the heavenly orders,
in their great array.

Humbled for a season,
to receive a name
from the lips of sinners
unto whom he came,
faithfully he bore it
spotless to the last,
brought it back victorious,
when from death he passed:

Bore it up triumphant
with its human light,
through all ranks of creatures,
to the central height,
to the throne of Godhead,
to the Father's breast;
filled it with the glory
of that perfect rest.

Name him, Christians,
name him,
with love as strong as death;
but with awe and wonder,
and with bated breath.
He is God the Saviour,
he is Christ the Lord,
ever to be worshipped,
trusted, and adored.

In your hearts enthrone him;
there let him subdue
all that is not holy,
all that is not true:

**crown him as your captain,
in temptation's hour
let his will enfold you
in its light and power.**

**Christians, this Lord Jesus
shall return again,
with his Father's glory,
with his angel train;
for all wreaths of empire
meet upon his brow,
and our hearts confess him
King of glory now.**

Caroline Maria Noel (1817 -77)

Prayer at the Preparation of the Altar

Lord Jesus, you nourish us at the table of your word and the table of your sacrament; as we feed on you, the bread of life, may we daily grow into your likeness. **All Amen.**

The Eucharistic Prayer (A)

Priest The Lord is here.

All His Spirit is with us.

Priest Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise

It is indeed right and good, it is our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

For he is your eternal and creative Word, through whom all things came into being; the Word made flesh who dwelt among us, full of grace and truth. He fulfils the Law and the Prophets, dying for our sins and rising again in

accordance with the Scriptures. He stands among us in his risen power, opening to us his living word, and making himself known in the breaking of the bread.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and *singing*:

**All Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth
are full of your glory.
Hosanna, Hosanna,
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, Hosanna,
Hosanna in the highest.**

Accept our praises, heavenly Father, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, and as we follow his example and obey his command, grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his blood;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me. 🙏

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new

covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me. 🍷

Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross; we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; we look for the coming of your kingdom, and with this bread and this cup we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Dcn: Christ is the bread of life

***All* When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus, until you come in glory.**

Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and praise, and as we eat and drink these holy gifts in the presence of your divine majesty, renew us by your Spirit, inspire us with your love and unite us in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Deacon Being made one by the power of the Spirit, as our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

***All* Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

The priest breaks the consecrated bread.

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

***All* Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread..**

We sit as Agnus Dei is sung by all.

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us,
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.**

Giving of Communion

The priest says the invitation.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us

***All* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Communion is received. Please bow your head if you prefer to receive a blessing.

The Body of Christ. **Amen.**

The Blood of Christ. **Amen.**

Anthem: *How beautiful upon the mountains - Stainer*

Hymn

Lord, thy word abideth,
And our footsteps guideth;
Who its truth believeth,
Light and joy receiveth.

When our foes are near us,
Then thy word doth cheer us,
Word of consolation,
Message of salvation.

When the storms are o'er us,
And dark clouds before us,
Then its light directeth,
And our way protecteth.

Who can tell the pleasure,
Who recount the treasure
By thy word imparted
To the simple-hearted?

Word of mercy, giving
Succour to the living;
Word of life, supplying
Comfort to the dying.

O that we discerning
Its most holy learning,
Lord, may love and fear thee,
Evermore be near thee!

H. W Baker (1821-77)

Prayer after Communion

Priest God of all grace, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom: renew your people

with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **All Amen.**

All Father of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Notices

The Blessing

Priest The Lord be with you.

All And also with you

Priest Christ, who has nourished us with himself the living bread, make you one in praise and love, and raise you up at the last day; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always. **All Amen.**

Final hymn

**Thou, whose almighty word
chaos and darkness heard,
and took their flight;
hear us, we humbly pray,
and where the gospel day**

sheds not its glorious ray,
let there be light!

Thou, who didst come to bring
on thy redeeming wing
healing and sight,
health to the sick in mind,
sight to the inly blind,
O now to all mankind
let there be light!

Spirit of truth and love,
life-giving, holy Dove,
speed forth thy flight;
move o'er the waters' face,
bearing the lamp of grace,
and in earth's darkest place
let there be light!

Blessed and holy Three,
glorious Trinity,
wisdom, love, might;
boundless as ocean's tide
rolling in fullest pride,
through the world far and wide
let there be light!

John Marriott (1780-1825)

The Dismissal

Priest The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

All May the grace of our Lord
Jesus Christ, and love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy
Spirit, be with us all, evermore.
Amen.

Priest May the souls of the
departed, through the mercy of
God, rest in peace...

All and rise in glory. **Amen.**

Deacon Go now in peace, knowing
that you have been born again, not
of perishable seed, but of
imperishable, through the living

and enduring word of God.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

Organ voluntary: *Postlude in D –
Healey Willan*

Do stay a while



*If you would like a link for the Wednesday Zoom worship, or if you have any items for the Pews News, or updates for the prayer list or prayer cross, please send to pewsnewsstjohns@gmail.com by **4pm on Tuesdays**. (The print run, folding and stapling is done on Wednesdays) Thank you.

Big Breakfast Saturday 16th November



Join us for coffee and croissants at 8.30 am here at St Johns Church to hear Beryl H reflect on her work and faith. All are welcome



Living Faith

Authorised Lay Ministers (ALM) Course and Living Faith (online course)

2025 ALM training begins again in January. Applications are now open and the course prospectus and application paperwork can be found on the Diocesan website. Closing date is 9th December.

<https://www.chichester.anglican.org/living-faith>

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According to the Scriptures: How the Bible became Doctrine.

Thu 21 Nov 2024, Free. OPEN TO ALL. Zoom. 10.00-12.00. Led by The Revd Canon Dr Earl Collins.

As part of the Diocese of Chichester's 'Year of the New Testament'. In this last seminar on the New Testament before we begin the Year of Faith, we will consider how Christian teaching emerged out of Holy Scripture. We will examine especially how the doctrines of Christ and his work, the Holy Trinity, grace, and the sacraments are rooted in the biblical texts as they were taken up by the Church in prayer, worship and witness. Zoom detail will be provided nearer the event.

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VFA would like to share the smiles from the villagers who have received Food Aid in September and October. Thanks to your generosity, they continue to survive, despite no outside assistance. THANK YOU. We shall continue to assist the orphaned and vulnerable as long as we have funds to do so. Leslev Ann Dawes CEO