



ST. PATRICK'S PEWS NEWS

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4th Sunday after Trinity

Birth of John the Baptist

24th June 2018

This Week's Hymn Numbers

105, 527, 295, 411, 144, 100

The Week Ahead

- **Today** – 1.55pm BBC2 Songs of Praise - The Wall of Answered Prayer
- Wednesday 27th June – 9am School Service
- Wednesday 27th June – 12 noon Funeral of Beryl Minshaw
- Wednesday 27th June – 7pm Youth Club in Dickens Heath
- Friday 29th June - 9am – 10am ticketing items for the fair
- Friday 29th June - 9am -12 noon Call in for a Cuppa with admin & cleaning
- Friday 29th June – 5.30pm Church & School Summer Fair
- Sunday 1st July – 8am Said Communion
- Sunday 1st July – 10am All Age Worship
- Sunday 1st July – 4pm In Memoriam Service

Prayer for the Week

O God, You raised up St. John the Baptist to prepare a perfect people for Christ. Fill Your people with the joy of possessing His grace and direct the minds of all the faithful in the way of peace and salvation.

Grant that as St. John was martyred for truth and justice, so we may energetically profess our Faith in You, and lead others to the Way, the Truth, and Eternal Life. Amen.

Funeral of Beryl Minshaw

The funeral service for Beryl Minshaw will take place on Wed 27th June at 12 noon. The family will be providing refreshments in the Undercroft afterwards.

Church and School Summer Fair NEXT Friday 29th June

- **raffle tickets** stubs & money should be returned by Wed 27th
- last day for items for the **church tombola**
- offers to make **cakes** for the day (wrapped ready for sale, please)
- **help** for an hour on next Friday morning from 9am to 10am
- **promises of help** to clear all stalls from approx. 7.30pm on the day
- **COME TO THE EVENT AND SUPPORT**

Can you help?

Speak to Barbara Philp 07734228500 barbara_philp@hotmail.com

In Memoriam Service – Next Week

Our annual 'In Memoriam Service' will be taking place on Sunday 1st July at 4pm. **Today is the last day** for anymore names of loved ones that you would like remembered at this service to be added to the sheet at the back of church.

Junior Church Leaders

We are in urgent need of more Junior Church leaders to join the rota from September. Lesson plans and resources are provided and each leader works with a helper to assist with the planning and running the session. We meet on the 2nd, 4th and 5th Sundays in term-time and each cover about two sessions per term if we have sufficient leaders on the rota. It is important that we make our children welcome at St Patrick's and make it an enjoyable experience. You do not need to have children in Junior Church to be a leader; the only age restriction is that you must be over 18. Also with the new regulations now in place you will be required to have a DBS carried out and complete the diocesan Child Protection Training level 2. This training is not arduous at all – it takes about 3 hours and those who have already completed it have said how beneficial they have found it to other areas of their lives. So, If you can help, please contact Rev'd Julie or Margaret Young (margaretyoung50@hotmail.com) as soon as possible.

GDPR

A number of you will have already completed consent forms to be contacted by the church through Messy Church, Junior Church or Baptism. However, we now need to get the **whole congregation** signed up – otherwise we can't send you your rotas or inform you when the electoral roll is being updated. So, **every member of the church needs to sign a consent form if you want us to stay in touch** with you. You will find copies of the consent forms at the back of church and in the Undercroft, please complete one and put it in the box marked for this purpose in the porch. If you are not on email – please put your address where it says email – otherwise, please use your email address. If you would like to read our privacy policy concerning this new law – you will find copies of this on the notice boards in the porch and in the Undercroft. Thanking you for your assistance in this matter, it is greatly appreciated.

Narthex and Food Bank

Here are the priority needs for this week:

Narthex needs a rucksack for use by a student trying to take books to college and also girl's school leggings/tights for 7-8 year-old. Also a baby bath if there's a spare one around!

Food Bank is desperately in need of tinned meat, dried milk, small packets of washing powder and men's toiletries. Also, I have been asked to point out that the collection box at Sainsbury's marked SIFA is nothing to do with "our" Food Bank- it is quite a different charity. The supermarkets Tesco (by the motorway and Hall Green) and Waitrose (Hall Green and Solihull) have collecting bins which support us.

Brass Cleaning Rota: **June:** Val Sperrey
July: Doreen & Malcolm Birch

Linen Cleaning Rota: **June:** Liz Last
July: Mary & Philip Bowen

Dates for your Diaries

- **Saturday 21st July** - Teddy Bears' Picnic

- **Wednesday 15th August** – Children's Craft Club

Collect at 8am Service

**Almighty God,
by whose providence thy servant John the Baptist,
was wonderfully born and sent to prepare the way of thy son our Saviour,
by preaching of repentance;
make us so to follow his doctrine and holy life,
that we may truly repent according to his preaching;
and after his example constantly speak the truth,
boldly rebuke vice, and patiently suffer for the truth's sake;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Collect at 10am Service

**Almighty God,
by whose providence your servant John the Baptist
was wonderfully born,
and sent to prepare the way of your Son our Saviour
by preaching of repentance:
lead us to repent according to his preaching
and, after his example,
constantly to speak the truth, boldly to rebuke vice,
and patiently to suffer for the truth's sake;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.**

Isaiah 40:1-11

Comfort, O comfort my people,
says your God.

² Speak tenderly to Jerusalem,
and cry to her
that she has served her term,
that her penalty is paid,
that she has received from the LORD's hand
double for all her sins.

³ A voice cries out:
'In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD,
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

⁴ Every valley shall be lifted up,
and every mountain and hill be made low;
the uneven ground shall become level,
and the rough places a plain.

⁵ Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed,
and all people shall see it together,
for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.'

⁶ A voice says, 'Cry out!'
And I said, 'What shall I cry?'
All people are grass,
their constancy is like the flower of the field.

⁷ The grass withers, the flower fades,
when the breath of the LORD blows upon it;
surely the people are grass.

⁸ The grass withers, the flower fades;
but the word of our God will stand for ever.

⁹ Get you up to a high mountain,
O Zion, herald of good tidings;
lift up your voice with strength,
O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings,
lift it up, do not fear;
say to the cities of Judah,
'Here is your God!'

¹⁰ See, the Lord GOD comes with might,
and his arm rules for him;
his reward is with him,

and his recompense before him.

¹¹ He will feed his flock like a shepherd;
he will gather the lambs in his arms,
and carry them in his bosom,
and gently lead the mother sheep.

Galatians 3:23-29

²³ Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. ²⁴ Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. ²⁵ But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, ²⁶ for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. ²⁷ As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. ²⁸ There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹ And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

Luke 1:57-66 & 80

⁵⁷ Now the time came for Elizabeth to give birth, and she bore a son. ⁵⁸ Her neighbours and relatives heard that the Lord had shown his great mercy to her, and they rejoiced with her.

⁵⁹ On the eighth day they came to circumcise the child, and they were going to name him Zechariah after his father. ⁶⁰ But his mother said, 'No; he is to be called John.' ⁶¹ They said to her, 'None of your relatives has this name.' ⁶² Then they began motioning to his father to find out what name he wanted to give him. ⁶³ He asked for a writing-tablet and wrote, 'His name is John.' And all of them were amazed. ⁶⁴ Immediately his mouth was opened and his tongue freed, and he began to speak, praising God. ⁶⁵ Fear came over all their neighbours, and all these things were talked about throughout the entire hill country of Judea. ⁶⁶ All who heard them pondered them and said, 'What then will this child become?' For, indeed, the hand of the Lord was with him.

⁸⁰ The child grew and became strong in spirit, and he was in the wilderness until the day he appeared publicly to Israel.

Post Communion Prayer

Merciful Lord,
whose prophet John the Baptist
proclaimed your Son as the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the world;
grant that we who in this sacrament have known
your forgiveness and your life-giving love
may ever tell of your mercy and your peace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Please pray for those in need

Please speak to Rev'd Julie regarding requests to be included in our prayer book.

Please pray for the departed

Years Mind

If you would like to have a loved one remembered in the prayers, please contact Rev'd Julie.

Next Week's Readings are:

2 Samuel 1:1 & 17-end

2 Corinthians 8:7-15

Mark 5:21-43