

Sunday 27th April 2025

A very warm welcome to St John's Community Church. Whether this is your first time with us, or you've been part of our church for some time, it's great to see you...



As part of our 10am service today, we're holding our **Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM)**. **Matt** will be leading us through our time together, helping us to look back over our past year and to consider what might lie

ahead for us with God. We'll hear a report from **J**, our church treasurer, on our church finances, and there'll be a chance for folks to ask **any questions** they may have. Alongside spoken reports, our written **Annual Report**, which includes our accounts is available on the church website under the 'What's On', then '**Annual Reports**' tab. We'll also be electing **church wardens** and **representatives to our PCC** - the 'Parochial Church Council' who are the Trustees of the church and work with Matt in seeking to lead St John's forward under God. We'll bookend our service with times of **prayer** and **sung worship** led by **Steve and the band**, while our **Sunday Stars** and **The Mess** groups for younger ones are on offer as usual. With **refreshments** to close, the hope is it will be an encouraging and informative time together, and above all, a chance for us to give thanks for God's provision and guidance.

All the best to **Timon Scheven** who is running the **London Marathon today!** He's raising money for '**Beat**', the UK's eating disorders charity and one close to Timon and his family's heart. If you'd like to sponsor Timon, please see him in person or visit www.justgiving.com/page/timon-scheven-1724176857226 to give online. Nice one, Timon - and we'll be cheering you on from afar this morning!

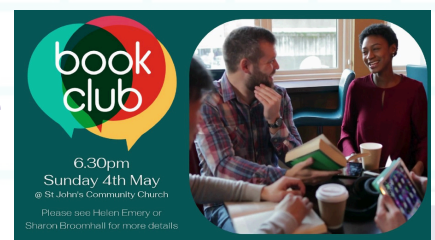


We've got an array of Sunday evening options for you over the coming weeks! **Games Club: Cakes & Ladders** returns at **6pm tonight** for another evening of board game fun, so feel free to just turn up, or see **Ian McKeown** (07494 913670) for more info.

Next **Sunday 4th May at 6.30pm**, our next session of **Book Club** is happening at 6.30pm on **Sunday 4th May**, when we'll be talking about '**The Salt Path**' by **Raynor Winn**. All are welcome for an enjoyable and

relaxed evening of drinks, snacks and shared conversation! And then at

6pm on Sunday 11th May, **Curry Club** at Aashiq's is back! If you'd like to come, please sign up in the foyer. It's **£18** a head, and includes a popadom with dips, any starter, any main, (including specials), a side of rice/nan, plus coffee or ice cream. Do feel free to bring your own soft/alcoholic drinks too. Thank you!



In our 10am service on **Sunday 11th May**, we'll be having a **Question Time** instead of a talk. **Matt** and **Ian** will be up front discussing any questions folks may have on God, faith, church - anything at all! All questions are welcome (no questioners will be identified from the front), so do please begin to send them through. **Please email/message Matt** at matt@stjohnscommunitychurch.org.uk or 07855 960179, or drop them in to the Church Office in an envelope marked 'Question Time'. Thank you!



Watercolour Dabblers, our relaxed painting group for all abilities, is back for another Saturday morning session at 10am-12pm on **Saturday 14th June**. It's an opportunity to unleash your inner artist in a friendly and supportive environment, and a nice chance to get to know other folks at the same time. If you fancy coming along, do please sign up on the sheet in the foyer, and speak to **Chris Hill** (07888 730492) for more details - thank you.



Giving financially is a key way in which we express our worship to God and our commitment to our church community. St John's Community Church is a **registered charity** (1131458), and we rely on people's giving to enable us to do everything that we do. All church members are encouraged to **give as part of their worship**, and all gifts, whether large

or small, regular or infrequent, are **much appreciated and carefully managed** by the PCC. However, if you think of St John's as your church, **do please consider starting or raising your regular giving**, as having a regular income is really helpful for us as a church in setting our budget for future plans and activities. We don't take a collection during the service, but many folks give regularly by standing order. Others give cash, or use our contactless giving unit in the foyer. You can also give to St John's through the QR code on the right if you're familiar with that technology! As a registered charity, we can reclaim tax on donations through the **gift aid** scheme. If you're a taxpayer, all of your giving can be boosted by an extra 20% (at no cost to you). **Do please therefore register for free by filling in a gift aid form**, available in the foyer or from the 'About-Forms' page on our [church website](#) and return that to **Marie** in the church office - thank you very much. For standing orders or one-off bank transfers, our church bank account details are:



Account Name: **St John's Community Church** Account Number: **20724548** Sort Code: **40-17-60**



St John's building is being used as a **polling station** for local elections this **Thursday 1st May** between **7am-10pm**. The Church Office will be open as usual from 9am-1pm, but there'll be **no Little Friends, Us Girls or F'n'F#2** - all back on 8th May though! Do vote if you can on Thursday - our individual voices and votes can make a big difference to the priorities that our local councils adopt, and please pray for all elected representatives, that they will lead with integrity, wisdom, and compassion for those in greatest need in our communities.

What's On...

For info on services and groups, please visit our website at www.stjohnscommunitychurch.org.uk, or see our [Facebook](#) page, and check out our [YouTube channel](#) for a range of talks - thank you.

Monday 28th April

10.00 - 10.30 10am Monday Service
10.30 - 12.30 The Drop Inn & Talking Point
13.30 - 15.30 Bereavement Help Point
17.00 & 18.30 Slimming World
18.00 - 19.30 F'n'F#1

Tuesday 29th April

09.00 - 12.00 BLAST Parent Support
13.30 - 15.30 3C's Craft Group
13.45 - 15.00 Singing For Health & Wellbeing
17.30 - 20.30 Fitness Pilates

Wednesday 30th April

10.00 - 11.00 Zumba

Wednesday 30th April (cont.)

12.45 - 14.45 Little Friends
19.00 - 21.00 Harvesters House Group

Thursday 1st May

07.00 - 22.00 Local Elections Polling Day

Friday 2nd May

09.40 - 10.40 Diddi Dance

Saturday 3rd May

09.00 - 12.00 BLAST Club
12.00 - 15.00 BLAST Theatre Group

Sunday - May The 4th Be With You

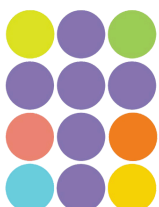
10.00 - 11.15 10am Sunday Service
18.30 - 20.00 Book Club

Bank Holiday Monday 5th May

No 10am Service, Drop Inn or F'n'F#1
17.00 & 18.30 Slimming World
18.00 - 19.30 F'n'F#1

Coming Up...

Sun 11th May 6pm: Curry Club @ Aashiq's
Mon 12th May: Chase View Service
Sat 31st May 1pm: Prayer Hour
Mon 2nd June 7pm: PCC Meeting
Sat 14th June 10am: Watercolour Dabblers
Sat 21st June 2pm: Coffee & Cake Afternoon
Sat 28th June 6pm: Laura Edwards Ordination
Mon 28th July 11am-3pm: Play in the Park
Sun 10th August 10am: Chasewater Walk



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