

Notices

**PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE NO
8AM CHURCH SERVICE ON SUNDAY
16th MARCH.**

Easter Lilies

If you would like to donate towards the cost of Easter lilies in memory of loved ones, please put your donation in an envelope with your name and the names you wish to be remembered and give to Edna Green - Treasurer or any PCC member. Alternatively, you may pay direct to our bank account with the reference "Lilies" and your name and let Edna know with the names to be remembered by email - treasurer.stjbhey@gmail.com.

GDPR

We at St John's may from time to time publish photos, some which would include children, of Church events on our website and our Facebook page to promote what we do here at St John's. We have been reviewing the permissions already given by parents and to update our records, we would ask parents to sign the permissions forms which will be available with the attendance folder at the back of Church if they are happy for this to continue.

Children Vacancies

We would very much like to involve children within the service so that they may feel more a part of the Church. We are looking for volunteers to start a rota of roles - bringing the wine & bread from the back of Church, collecting hymn books, collection plates etc. If your child is interested, please add their name and contact number on the form at the back of Church.

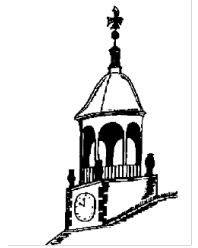
Vacancies

We currently have vacancies for:
Church Wardens
PCC Members
Deanery Synod Representative
Sunday School Teachers

If you feel you can help to fill any of these vacancies or know of anyone who you think may be able to, please see any member of the PCC.

Everyone is welcome to join us for coffee/tea and biscuits after the 9.30 service in the Church Hall.

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Receiving & Sharing the Love of God Everyday

**Sunday 9th March 2025
First Sunday of Lent**

8.00 am. - Holy Communion
9.30 am. - Holy Communion

Readings & Hymns

Processional	422	Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us
First Reading		Deuteronomy 26.1-11
Second Reading		Romans 10.8b-13
Gradual	463	Lord Jesus Christ
Gospel Reading		Luke 4.1-13
Offertory	550	O happy band of pilgrims
Communion	687	Take my life, and let it be
Communion	652	Seek ye first the kingdom of God
Final	589	On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry

Collect

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin: give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit; and, as you know our weakness, so may we know your power to save; 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.

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Heavenly Father, your Son battled with the powers of darkness, and grew closer to you in the desert: help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer that we may witness to your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **Post Communion Prayer**

Lord God, you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it you nourish our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love: teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread, and enable us to live by every word that proceeds from out of your mouth; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Please take this pew sheet home to guide you in your bible study,  
aid your prayers and remind you of forthcoming events.*

## This Week

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2025  
10.00 am Holy Communion



### Our Prayers are asked for:

#### The World

For the leaders of the nations, that you will guide them in the ways of freedom, justice & truth. We pray for peace & the laying down of weapons in Ukraine. We pray for restraint on all sides in the violence in Israel, Gaza, Sudan, Yemen & the Middle East.

#### The Church

Our Bishops David, Mark & Mathew. Archdeacon Karen, Area Dean Daniel and visiting clergy. All those who work in the background to provide a welcoming Church here at St John's.

#### The Community of the Parish

Staff & Pupils at Hey with Zion Primary School, Springhead Primary & Junior School. The staff & residents of Oakdene Care Home, Millfield Care Home.  
The street of our Parish – the residents of North Nook.

#### The Sick

Grace Stansfield, Terence Davies  
Geoff & Hazel Gee, Jake and any one close to our own hearts.

#### The Anniversary of Death

Roger Farrand, Ronnie Giles.

#### Day-by-Day

12 Mar – My lovely Bonnie

### What do I do at Communion?

If you receive Holy Communion at any Christian Church, you are welcome to receive it here. Otherwise please come forward with everyone else to receive God's blessing, keeping your head bowed. If you are unable to come forward, please speak to a warden to arrange for Communion to be brought to you.

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## Psalm 91

Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High  
and abides under the shadow of the Almighty,  
Shall say to the Lord, 'My refuge and my stronghold,  
my God, in whom I put my trust.'  
Because you have made the Lord your refuge  
and the Most High your stronghold,  
There shall no evil happen to you,  
neither shall any plague come near your tent.  
For he shall give his angels charge over you,  
to keep you in all your ways.  
They shall bear you in their hands,  
lest you dash your foot against a stone.  
You shall tread upon the lion and adder;  
the young lion and the serpent you shall trample underfoot.  
Because they have set their love upon me,  
therefore will I deliver them;  
I will lift them up, because they know my name.  
They will call upon me and I will answer them;  
I am with them in trouble,  
I will deliver them and bring them to honour.  
With long life will I satisfy them  
and show them my salvation.  
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Shall say to the Lord, 'My refuge and my stronghold,  
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For he shall deliver you from the snare of the fowler  
and from the deadly pestilence.  
He shall cover you with his wings  
and you shall be safe under his feathers;  
his faithfulness shall be your shield and buckler.  
You shall not be afraid of any terror by night,  
nor of the arrow that flies by day;  
Of the pestilence that stalks in darkness,  
nor of the sickness that destroys at noonday.  
Though a thousand fall at your side  
and ten thousand at your right hand,  
yet it shall not come near you.  
Your eyes have only to behold  
to see the reward of the wicked.  
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"For I know the plans I have for you,"  
declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to  
harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."  
– *Jeremiah 29:11, NIV*

Please forward any items to be included in the pew sheets by the end of  
Wednesday each week to  
Stewart Morrish  
pewsheetstjohn@gmail.com  
079 485 46097

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