

Safe from Harm. We take safeguarding seriously. Before working with children or adults at risk in this church, volunteers will have provided references, completed DAB checks and agreed to follow CofE practice for keeping children or adults at risk safe. The Parish Child Protection Officer is Peter Whitlock.



St John's News from the Pews

Sharing Christ with others

The next two weeks at St John's: January 27th – February 9th

Mon	27 th	9.30am	Chatterbox carers and toddler group
		7.00pm	House Group at 36 Medina Avenue
Wed	29 th	10.00am on	Lunch Club
		11.00am	Holy Communion
		6.15pm	Choir practise
Thur	30 th	10.30am	Ladies Prayer group at 1 Westmill Road
February			
Sat	1 st	6.30pm	Men's New Year Dinner, The Eight Bells, Carisbrooke
Sun	2nd	9.30am	Holy Communion and Junior Church
<i>Presentation</i>		6.30pm	Walk in the Light in the hall
<i>Of Christ</i>			Evensong at St Mary's, Carisbrooke
Mon	3 rd	9.30am	Chatterbox carers and toddler group
		7.00pm	House Group at 36 Medina Avenue
Wed	5 th	10.00am on	Lunch Club
		11.00am	Morning Prayer
		6.15pm	Choir practise
Sat	8 th	10am-12pm	Coffee morning
Sun	9th	9.30am	All Age Service
<i>3rd before Lent</i>		6.30pm	Evensong at St Mary's, Carisbrooke

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Administrator - Ethne Whitlock, 01983 522972, admin@stjohnsnewport.org

Bookings - please contact the Administrator.

Safeguarding - Peter Whitlock, 07881 950284, peter.whitlock@btinternet.com

26th January 2020 – Epiphany 3

9.30am Morning Prayer & Junior Church (starting in church)

6.30pm Evening Prayer

Welcome to St John's Church, Newport. We invite you to join us for refreshments in the hall after the service.

Please sit at any point during the service if you need to. If you would like gluten-free bread or non-alcoholic wine at communion please tell us before the service. A collection will be taken in the service.

There is a children's area at the back of church on the right as you come in and bags hanging at the back with colouring materials for use in the pews. Please use these as you need to. All school age children are welcome to join us in Junior Church.

Wifi password – subject.

The **Men's Group New Year Dinner** will be held on Saturday 1st February at the Eight Bells Carisbrooke, (Functions Room) 6.30.p.m. for 7.p.m. Our guest speaker is Richard Smout, County Archivist and Reader at St Mary's Church Carisbrooke and St Olave's Church Gatcombe. The cost is £5 and John has the menu choices. Please tell him if you are going or sign the list at the back of church.

Also on Saturday 1st February the 1st Newport (Old Guard) Scout Group are holding a **Jumble Sale** in their HQ (Bill Wendes Hall in Woodbine Close) from 2pm to 4pm. Entrance is 50p.

Edna is running a **Coffee morning** on Saturday February 8th 10am – 12pm. Cakes and books will be for sale. Please bring some cakes to sell if you can.

Harry and Jane are retiring as **church wardens** at the APCM this year and Ethne is retiring as **administrator** at the end of March. Please prayerfully consider who might take on their roles. If you are interested or can think of someone you think would be suitable please speak to Harry or Jane.

If you have any old **candles or candle stubs** please could you give them to Claire. She will melt them down to make new candles for this year's Christmas window decorations.

Please use **GiveAsYouLive** if you shop online and help to raise money for St John's. Follow this link - www.giveasyoulive.com/join/stjohnsnewport and choose St John the Baptist Church, Newport as the charity you want to support. It is free to use and can help provide much needed funds for the church.

Collect for the Epiphany 3

God of all mercy,
your Son proclaimed good news to the
poor,
release to the captives,
and freedom to the oppressed:
anoint us with your Holy Spirit
and set all your people free
to praise you in Christ our Lord.

Reading 1– Isaiah 9:1-4

Nevertheless, there will be no more
gloom for those who were in distress. In
the past he humbled the land of Zebulun
and the land of Naphtali, but in the
future he will honour Galilee of the
nations, by the Way of the Sea, beyond
the Jordan –

²The people walking in darkness
have seen a great light;
on those living in the land of deep
darkness
a light has dawned.

Reading 2 –Matthew 4:12-23

When Jesus heard that John had been put in prison, he withdrew to Galilee.

¹³ Leaving Nazareth, he went and lived in Capernaum, which was by the lake in the
area of Zebulun and Naphtali – ¹⁴ to fulfil what was said through the prophet Isaiah:

¹⁵ ‘Land of Zebulun and land of Naphtali,
the Way of the Sea, beyond the Jordan,
Galilee of the Gentiles –

¹⁶ the people living in darkness
have seen a great light;
on those living in the land of the shadow of death
a light has dawned.’

¹⁷ From that time on Jesus began to preach, ‘Repent, for the kingdom of heaven
has come near.’

¹⁸ As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon
called Peter and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the lake, for they

Post Communion for Epiphany 3

Almighty Father,
whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is
the light of the world:
may your people,
illuminated by your word and sacraments,
shine with the radiance of his glory,
that he may be known, worshipped, and
obeyed
to the ends of the earth;
for he is alive and reigns, now and for
ever.

³ You have enlarged the nation
and increased their joy;
they rejoice before you
as people rejoice at the harvest,
as warriors rejoice
when dividing the plunder.
⁴ For as in the day of Midian’s defeat,
you have shattered
the yoke that burdens them,
the bar across their shoulders,
the rod of their oppressor.

were fishermen. ¹⁹ ‘Come, follow me,’ Jesus said, ‘and I will send you out to fish for
people.’ ²⁰ At once they left their nets and followed him.

²¹ Going on from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his
brother John. They were in a boat with their father Zebedee, preparing their nets.
Jesus called them, ²² and immediately they left the boat and their father and followed
him.

²³ Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the
good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and illness among the people.

Prayer for Newport Churches

God of endings and beginnings,
we give you thanks for the life of our churches and
the faithful worshippers and ministers
who have served you and the people of our communities over many years.
Guided by your spirit of wisdom and courage
help us to take this work forward in new and exciting ways
that we might all be encouraged to
Live clearly as your disciples,
Pray that many more people would come to know you and your love
and **Serve** the world around us.
In Jesus’ name, Amen.

This week please pray for:

- The Homeless shelter and members of St John’s who help three days a week.
- All who live in Winston Road, Melbourne Street and Clarendon Street.
- All who are ill or bereaved.
- The reorganisation of the churches in Newport (see the prayer above).
- The funding for the church repairs to be found.
- The right people to be our future church wardens and administrator.

To add a prayer need or join the prayer chain contact Marian, (526632,
marianbretthill@yahoo.co.uk).

Birthdays

If anyone has a birthday which they would like mentioned here please contact the
administrator.

Lent 2020 at Newport Minster. This year our course is being held from Tuesday 3rd
March through Lent from 7pm -8.30pm in the Minster. Our theme will be injustice
and the Christian response. We will be covering themes such as the climate, modern
slavery and mental health. Full details available shortly. This course is an open
invitation to anyone on the Island.

Please send any items for the next newsletter to the administrator by 9am on Friday.