

# St John's, Pevensey Road



Pews News & Service Sheet  
for Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2022

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Trinity**



## Welcome to today's Mass at St John's

### This week:

**Morning Prayer**, 9 a.m. Mon, Tues, Thurs, Friday, in St Peter's Chapel

**Church open weekdays**, where possible.

**Midweek Mass:** Weds 10 a.m, St Peter's Chapel

**Online "Zoom" service:** Wednesday at 10 a.m. Please contact the church administrator on admstjohns30@gmail.com for a "link" to join in

**Morning Coffee:** Friday 10 - 12 noon in Church

### Our prayers are asked for:

Geraldine, Amber, Don F, Sue T, Eve G, Alison N, Pat P, David D, Denise H, Mike, Jean & Geoff, Ann, and Pat.

### Please pray also for...

the repose of the souls of the recently departed, and those whose Years Minds fall around this time: Peter Green, and Philip Green, and all who mourn.

Come along to  
St John's for



...and biscuits!

Friday mornings,  
10 - 12

All  
welcome!

**Kath Quigley's funeral** has now been arranged for Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June at 12:30 p.m, in Church



As the war in Ukraine continues, here are some ideas from **tearfund** to refresh and renew our prayers for that challenging situation...

**Pray using scripture:** The Bible can help guide us in prayer – especially in tough situations when it can be difficult to find the right words. Choose one of the following passages of scripture to read through, or pick your own: Matthew 6:6-13; Isaiah 61:1-4; or Luke 6:20-31. Think about the specific needs of the people in Ukraine, those who have fled, and the role of the church in this region.

**Pray by baking bread:** Bread is often regarded as sacred in Ukrainian culture. Ukraine is an incredibly fertile nation – producing nearly 10 per cent of the world's wheat. Bread and salt placed on an embroidered towel is a symbol of welcome there. As a prayerful act of solidarity with Ukraine, you could bake a loaf of bread, say a prayer over it for Ukrainian families, and then break the bread with your hands (in many Eastern European and Central Asian cultures bread is too sacred to be cut with a knife), then say another prayer for peace in the region.

**Pray by lighting a candle:** Jesus is the light of the world. Amid the darkness of conflict in Ukraine and around the world, lighting a candle can become a powerful symbol of an eternal truth: love is stronger than hate. Part of prayer is listening out for how God is already at work in Ukraine. You may want to play some sacred music during this time, or read passages from the Bible about God's goodness and mercy.

*Introit: Drop, drop, slow tears  
(Orlando Gibbons)*

## Opening Hymn

All people that on earth do dwell,  
sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;  
him serve with fear, his praise forth tell,  
come ye before him and rejoice.

The Lord, ye know, is God indeed;  
without our aid he did us make;  
we are his folk, he doth us feed,  
and for his sheep he doth us take.

O enter then his gates with praise,  
approach with joy his courts unto;  
praise, laud, and bless his name  
always,  
for it is seemly so to do.

For why? The Lord our God is good;  
his mercy is for ever sure;  
his truth at all times firmly stood,  
and shall from age to age endure.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,  
the God whom heaven and earth adore,  
from men and from the angel-host  
be praise and glory evermore. Amen.  
*William Kethe (d.1594)*

## 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.

## Prayer of Preparation

*All* Almighty God,  
to whom all hearts are open,

all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hidden:  
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy name;  
through Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## Prayer of Confession

*Dcn* God so loved the world  
that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ  
to save us from our sins,  
to be our advocate in heaven,  
and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,  
firmly resolved to keep God's commandments  
and to live in love and peace with all.

*All* Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
we have sinned against you  
and against our neighbour  
in thought and word and deed,  
through negligence, through weakness,  
through our own deliberate fault.  
We are truly sorry  
and repent of all our sins.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
who died for us,  
forgive us all that is past  
and grant that we may serve you  
in newness of life  
to the glory of your name. Amen.

## *The priest says the Absolution*

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:***

***All* Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.**

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

**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. Amen**

## **The Collect**

***The priest introduces the Collect  
with the words 'Let us pray'***

God of truth,  
help us to keep your law of love  
and to walk in ways of wisdom,  
that we may find true life  
in Jesus Christ your Son.

***All* Amen.**

## **A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah**

*Isaiah 65. 1-9*

The word of the Lord through the prophet:  
I was ready to be sought out by those who  
did not ask,  
to be found by those who did not seek me.  
I said, 'Here I am, here I am',  
to a nation that did not call on my name.

I held out my hands all day long  
to a rebellious people,  
who walk in a way that is not good,  
following their own devices;  
a people who provoke me  
to my face continually,  
sacrificing in gardens  
and offering incense on bricks;  
who sit inside tombs,  
and spend the night in secret places;  
who eat swine's flesh,  
with broth of abominable things in their  
vessels;  
who say, 'Keep to yourself,  
do not come near me, for I am too holy  
for you.'

These are a smoke in my nostrils,  
a fire that burns all day long.  
See, it is written before me:  
I will not keep silent, but I will repay;  
I will indeed repay into their laps  
their iniquities and their ancestors'  
iniquities together, says the LORD;  
because they offered incense on the  
mountains

and reviled me on the hills,  
I will measure into their laps  
full payment for their actions.

Thus says the LORD:

As the wine is found in the cluster,  
and they say, 'Do not destroy it,  
for there is a blessing in it',  
so I will do for my servants' sake,  
and not destroy them all.

I will bring forth descendants from  
Jacob,  
and from Judah inheritors of my  
mountains;  
my chosen shall inherit it,  
and my servants shall settle there.

For the Word of the Lord  
***All* Thanks be to God**

## **A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Galatians**

*Gal. 3.23-end*

But the scripture has imprisoned all things under the power of sin, so that what was promised through faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe.

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. 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. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

For the Word of the Lord  
**All Thanks be to God**

### **Hymn during which the Gospel is brought amongst us**

City of God, how broad and far  
outspread thy walls sublime!  
The true thy chartered freemen are  
of every age and clime:

One holy Church, one army strong,  
one steadfast, high intent;  
one working band, one harvest-song,  
one King omnipotent.

How purely hath thy speech come down  
from man's primaeval youth!  
How grandly hath thine empire grown  
of freedom, love, and truth!

How gleam thy watch-fires through the  
night  
with never-fainting ray!  
How rise thy towers, serene and bright,  
to meet the dawning day!

In vain the surge's angry shock,  
in vain the drifting sands:  
unharm'd upon the eternal rock  
the eternal city stands.

*Samuel Johnson (1822-82)*

## **Gospel Reading**

Alleluia, alleluia.  
I am the light of the world, says the Lord.  
Whoever follows me will never walk in  
darkness  
but will have the light of life.

**All Alleluia**

The Lord be with you  
**All And also with you**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord  
Jesus Christ according to Luke  
**All Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Luke 8.26-39*

Jesus and his disciples arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, 'What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God?'

I beg you, do not torment me' – for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, 'What is your name?' He said, 'Legion'; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, 'Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.' So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Sermon

### The Creed

Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**All 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**

*These responses may be used*

Lord, in your mercy  
**All hear our prayer.**

*And at the end*

Merciful Father,  
**All accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.  
Amen.**

### **The Peace is introduced**

*Deacon* We are the body of Christ.  
In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.  
Let us then pursue all that makes for peace and builds up our common life.

*Priest* The peace of the Lord be always with you  
**All and also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace

*All may exchange a sign of peace*

### **Offertory Hymn**

*During which the table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.*

The Church's one foundation  
is Jesus Christ her Lord;  
she is his new creation  
by water and the word:  
from heaven he came and sought her  
to be his holy bride;  
with his own blood he bought her,  
and for her life he died.

Elect from every nation,  
yet one o'er all the earth,  
her charter of salvation  
one Lord, one faith, one birth;  
one holy name she blesses,  
partakes one holy food,  
and to one hope she presses  
with every grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder  
men see her sore opprest,  
by schisms rent asunder,  
by heresies distrest,  
yet saints their watch are keeping,  
their cry goes up, 'How long?'  
and soon the night of weeping  
shall be the morn of song.

Mid toil and tribulation,  
and tumult of her war,  
she waits the consummation  
of peace for evermore;  
till with the vision glorious  
her longing eyes are blest,  
and the great Church victorious  
shall be the Church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union  
with God the three in one,  
and mystic sweet communion  
with those whose rest is won;  
O happy ones and holy!  
Lord, give us grace that we,  
like them the meek and lowly,  
on high may dwell with thee.

*Samuel Stone (1839-1900)*

## **Prayer at the Preparation of the Table**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:  
through your goodness we have this  
bread to set before you,  
which earth has given and human hands  
have made.

It will become for us the bread of life.

**All Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:  
through your goodness we have this wine  
to set before you,  
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.  
It will become for us the cup of salvation.

**All Blessed be God for ever.**

*The president takes the bread and wine.*

## **The Eucharistic Prayer**

The Lord is here

**All His Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.

**All We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Father, we give you thanks and praise  
through your beloved Son Jesus Christ,  
your living Word,  
through whom you have created all things;  
who was sent by you in your great  
goodness to be our Saviour.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took  
flesh;  
as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin,  
he lived on earth and went about among  
us;  
he opened wide his arms for us on the  
cross;  
he put an end to death by dying for us;  
and revealed the resurrection by rising to  
new life;

so he fulfilled your will and won for you a  
holy people.

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 in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

Lord, you are holy indeed,  
the source of all holiness;  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
and according to your holy will,  
these gifts of bread and wine  
may be to us the body and blood  
of our Lord Jesus Christ;

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.

Great is the mystery of faith:  
**All Christ has died:  
Christ is risen:  
Christ will come again.**



And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,  
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;  
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,  
and looking for his coming in glory,  
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,  
we bring before you this bread and this cup  
and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of Saint John the Evangelist, Saint Peter, Mary the Mother of God, and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

**All Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

**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**

*Priest* 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:*

**All Jesus, Lamb of God,  
Have mercy on us  
Jesus, bearer of our sins,  
Have mercy on us  
Jesus, redeemer of the world,  
Give us your peace**

### **Giving of Communion**

*The priest says the invitation to communion.*

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**All Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,  
but only say the word, and I shall be  
healed.**

*Communion is received.*

*Anthem: Come down, O Love Divine  
(Harris)*

## Hymn

Rock of ages, cleft for me,  
let me hide myself in thee;  
let the water and the blood,  
from thy riven side which flowed,  
be of sin the double cure:  
cleansing me from its guilt and power.

Not the labours of my hands  
can fulfil thy law's demands;  
could my zeal no respite know,  
could my tears for ever flow,  
all for sin could not atone:  
thou must save, and thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring,  
simply to thy cross I cling;  
naked, come to thee for dress;  
helpless, look to thee for grace;  
foul, I to the fountain fly;  
wash me, Saviour, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath,  
when mine eyes are closed in death,  
when I soar through tracts unknown,  
see thee on thy judgement throne;  
rock of ages, cleft for me,  
let me hide myself in thee.

*Augustus Toplady (1740-78)*

## Prayer after Communion

**Priest** Eternal Father,  
we thank you for nourishing us  
with these heavenly gifts:  
may our communion strengthen us in faith,  
build us up in hope,  
and make us grow in love;  
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**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

The peace of God,  
which passes all understanding,  
keep your hearts and minds  
in the knowledge and love of God,  
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;  
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

Let all the world in every corner sing,  
my God and King!  
The heavens are not too high,  
his praise may thither fly:  
the earth is not too low,  
his praises there may grow.  
Let all the world in every corner sing,  
my God and King!

Let all the world in every corner sing,  
my God and King!  
the Church with psalms must shout,  
no door can keep them out;  
but above all the heart  
must bear the longest part.  
Let all the world in every corner sing,  
my God and King!

*George Herbert (1593-1632)*

## Dismissal

**Priest** The Lord be with you

**All** And also with you

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

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

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

**Deacon** Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**All** In the name of Christ. Amen.

**Concluding voluntary: Nun danket alle Gott (Karg-Elert)**



Please do stay for coffee after today's Parish Mass.



Last month we looked at the **changing of colours** in the church's vestments and altar cloths during March, April and May this year. This month of June sees them changing again, but this time for around 20 weeks.

We started the month still in the season of Easter; strictly speaking, in the time after the Ascension. The first Sunday in June was the feast of Pentecost. This was and remains a Jewish Festival. At the time of Jesus, it was a joyful celebration of the first fruits of the Harvest, which was why all the apostles were gathered together in Jerusalem, as was expected of all Jewish men.

As they gathered following Jesus' Ascension, the Holy Spirit came upon them. This is what Christians celebrate at Pentecost, and therefore the colour is red. The following day the colour changed to green [with a quick reversion to white when we celebrated Trinity Sunday, last week] and remains green until 30th October, the Feast of All Saints', which will be white.

This gives us approximately 20 weeks of 'green' with the occasional day in between of white or red to celebrate an apostle, saint or a specific feast day.

This time, that falls outside the major seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent and Easter, is often referred to as 'Ordinary' time, not because it's unimportant or uninteresting, but because the weeks are "numbered". The Latin word *ordinalis* refers to numbers in a series, from which we get our English word *order*. The numbered weeks reflect the ordered life of the Church.

In Church Lectionary terms this period of 'The Xth Sunday after Trinity' follows one main gospel's teachings and miracles of Jesus - this year it's Luke's turn! It's almost as if Jesus gathers us together for a "summer school", takes us up a mountainside and teaches us there. It's a time for learning and growth, as we metaphorically sit on the green green grass, and listen to our Saviour!

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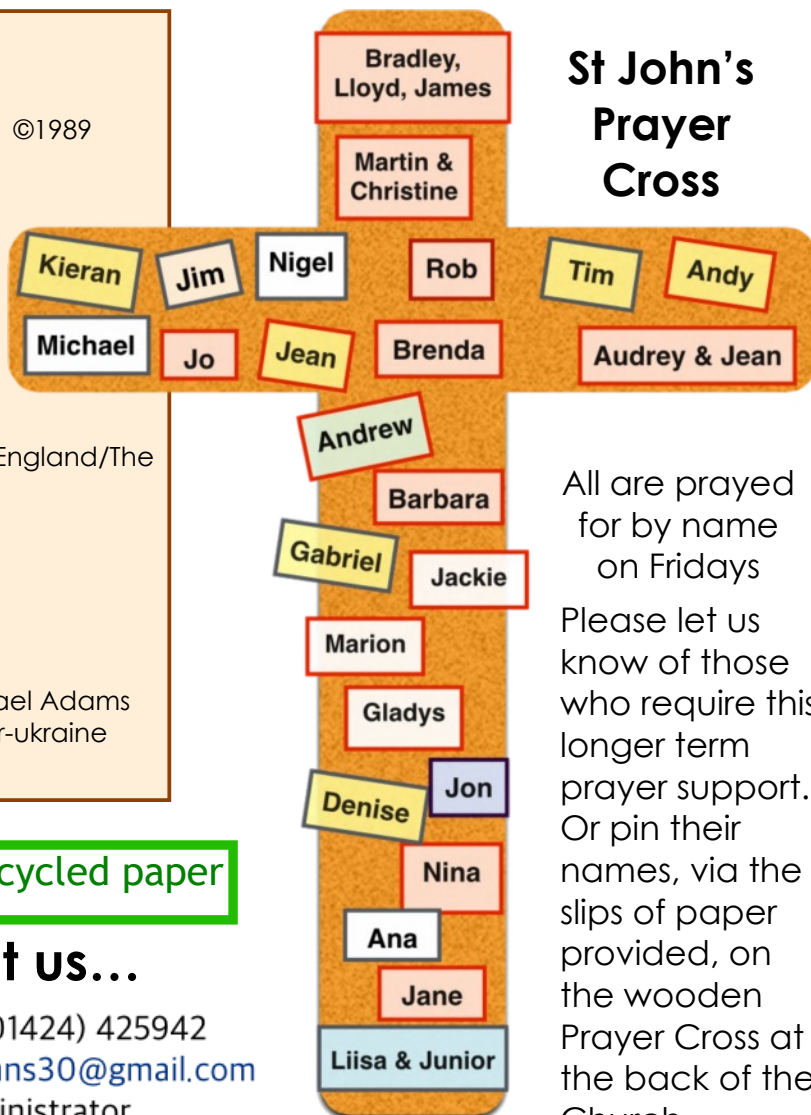
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# St John's Prayer Cross



All are prayed for by name on Fridays  
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 Prayer Cross at the back of the Church.  
Thank you.

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