

# St John's, Pevensey Road



Pews News & Service Sheet  
for Sunday 18th September 2022

**14th Sunday after Trinity**



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

### This week:

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

**Church open weekdays**, where possible.

**Midweek Mass:** Wednesday at 10 a.m.

**Online "Zoom" service:** Wednesday at 10 a.m.  
Please contact the church administrator on [admstjohns30@gmail.com](mailto:admstjohns30@gmail.com), to put you in touch with the organizer for a "link" to join in

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

The flowers in church today are in memory of HM Queen Elizabeth II



### Our prayers are asked for:

Geraldine, Amber, Don F, Sue T, Eve G, Alison N, David D, Denise H, Jean & Geoff, Anne C, Pat, Jon W, Ted G, and Jude.

### Please pray also for...

the repose of the souls of the recently departed, especially HM Queen Elizabeth II

...those whose Years Minds fall around this time, especially Louis, Jean Burgess, Sheila Collard, and Brian Hanrahan,

...and all who mourn.

### Newcomers Lunch

If you have started coming to St Johns since "Lockdown" you are warmly invited to the rectory for lunch on Sunday 9th October. This used to be a regular event in the past and it is good to restart the tradition. It is an opportunity to meet others who have recently joined us as well as our PCC members. Invitations will be distributed in the next few weeks. Please speak to Fr David if you are able to come.

### Home groups restarting

Please consider joining one of the small groups that are starting up. There are 3 evening groups, a Christian Basics group with Fr David, a story group and a book group. There is a list of groups for you to take away and consider at the back of church. You are welcome to come along for an evening and try one out. The list will explain when and roughly where they will meet as well as who to speak to if you are interested. Please ask Fr David, Mike C or Deacon Mike if you have any questions.

### Christian Book group

We will have our first introductory meeting on Saturday 24th September when the group will choose some books to read during the year. We are hosted by Katy Harper in Silverhill for our first session which will start a bit earlier than usual at 9.30 a.m. For more details speak to Mike C or Katy.

Do you have an item, prayer list update, or info for the Pews News? Please send to [pewsnewsstjohns@gmail.com](mailto:pewsnewsstjohns@gmail.com) by 9 p.m. on Thursdays

*Introit: God so loved the world (Goss)*

## Opening Hymn

Praise to the Lord, the almighty, the King of creation;

O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation:

come ye who hear,  
brothers and sisters draw near,  
praise him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,

shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth:

hast thou not seen  
all that is needful hath been  
granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work, and defend thee;

surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee;

ponder anew  
all the almighty can do,  
he who with love doth befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, who, when tempests their warfare are waging,

who, when the elements madly around thee are raging.

biddeth them cease,  
turneth their fury to peace,  
whirlwinds and waters assuaging.

Praise to the Lord, who when darkness of sin is abounding,

who, when the godless do triumph, all virtue confounding,

sheddeth his light,  
chaseth the horrors of night,  
saints with his mercy surrounding.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!

All that hath life and breath come now with praises before him!

Let the Amen  
sound from his people again:  
gladly for ay we adore him.

German, Joachim Neander (1650-80) tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-78)

## Welcoming of the people

*Bishop* In the name of the Father,  
and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

*All* Amen.

*Bishop* 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 Bishop 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 Bishop introduces the Collect  
with the words 'Let us pray'*

Merciful God,  
your Son came to save us  
and bore our sins on the cross:  
may we trust in your mercy  
and know your love,  
rejoicing in the righteousness  
that is ours through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**All Amen.**

**A reading from the Book of the Prophet  
Amos**

*Amos 8.4-7*

Hear this, you that trample on the needy,  
and bring to ruin the poor of the land,  
saying, 'When will the new moon be over  
so that we may sell grain;  
and the sabbath,  
so that we may offer wheat for sale?  
We will make the ephah small and the  
shekel great,  
and practise deceit with false balances,  
buying the poor for silver  
and the needy for a pair of sandals,  
and selling the sweepings of the wheat.'

The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob:  
Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

For the Word of the Lord

**All Thanks be to God**

**A reading from the First Letter of Paul to  
Timothy**

*1 Timothy 2.1-7*

My dearly beloved, I urge that  
supplications, prayers, intercessions, and  
thanksgivings be made for everyone, for  
kings and all who are in high positions, so  
that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life

in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all - this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

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

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

Will you come and follow me  
If I but call your name?  
Will you go where you don't know  
And never be the same?  
Will you let my love be shown,  
Will you let my name be known,  
Will you let my life be grown  
In you and you in me?

Will you leave yourself behind  
If I but call your name?  
Will you care for cruel and kind  
And never be the same?  
Will you risk the hostile stare  
Should your life attract or scare?  
Will you let me answer prayer  
In you and you in me?

Will you let the blinded see  
If I but call your name?  
Will you set the prisoners free  
And never be the same?  
Will you kiss the leper clean,  
And do such as this unseen,  
And admit to what I mean  
In you and you in me?

Will you love the 'you' you hide  
If I but call your name?  
Will you quell the fear inside  
And never be the same?  
Will you use the faith you've found  
To reshape the world around,  
Through my sight and touch and sound  
In you and you in me?

Lord, your summons echoes true  
When you but call my name.  
Let me turn and follow you  
And never be the same.  
In your company I'll go  
Where your love and footsteps show.  
Thus I'll move and live and grow  
In you and you in me.

*John L Bell & Graham Maule*

### **Gospel Reading**

Alleluia, alleluia.  
I am the way, the truth, and the life,  
says the Lord.  
No one comes to the Father  
except through me.

**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 16.1-13*

Jesus said to the disciples, 'There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, "What is this that I hear about you? Give me an account of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer." Then the manager said to himself, "What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to

beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.” So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he asked the first, “How much do you owe my master?” He answered, “A hundred jugs of olive oil.” He said to him, “Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.” Then he asked another, “And how much do you owe?” He replied, “A hundred containers of wheat.” He said to him, “Take your bill and make it eighty.” And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.’

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**

In the power of the Spirit, and in union with Christ, let us pray to the Father

*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*

*Bishop* God is love  
and those who live in love live in God  
and God lives in them.

*Bishop* 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.*

Praise to the holiest in the height,  
and in the depth be praise:  
in all his words most wonderful,  
most sure in all his ways.

O loving wisdom of our God!  
When all was sin and shame,  
a second Adam to the fight  
and to the rescue came.

O wisest love! That flesh and blood,  
which did in Adam fail,  
should strive afresh against the foe,  
should strive and should prevail;

and that a higher gift than grace  
should flesh and blood refine,  
God's presence and his very self,  
and essence all-divine.

O generous love! That he, who smote  
in Man for man the foe,  
the double agony in Man  
for man should undergo;

and in the garden secretly,  
and on the cross on high,  
should teach his brethren, and inspire  
to suffer and to die.

Praise to the Holiest in the height,  
and in the depth be praise:  
in all his words most wonderful,  
most sure in all his ways.

*John Henry Newman (1801-90)*

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

With this bread that we bring  
**All we shall remember Jesus.**

With this wine that we bring  
**All we shall remember Jesus.**

Bread for his body,  
wine for his blood,  
gifts from God to his table we bring.  
**All We shall remember Jesus.**

*The Bishop 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, you made the world and love  
your creation.  
You gave your Son Jesus Christ to be  
our Saviour.  
His dying and rising have set us free  
from sin and death.  
And so we gladly thank you,  
with saints and angels 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.**

We praise and bless you, loving Father,  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;  
and as we obey his command,  
send your Holy Spirit,  
that broken bread and wine outpoured  
may be for us the body and blood of  
your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had  
supper with his friends  
and, taking bread, he praised you.  
He broke the bread, gave it to them and  
said:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given  
for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the  
cup of wine.  
Again he praised you, gave it to them  
and said:  
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.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,  
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice  
made once for all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup  
of salvation,  
we proclaim his death and resurrection  
until he comes in glory.

Great is the mystery of faith:

**All Christ has died:  
Christ is risen:  
Christ will come again.**

Lord of all life,  
help us to work together for that day  
when your kingdom comes  
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the  
earth.

Look with favour on your people,  
gather us in your loving arms  
and bring us with Saint John the  
Evangelist, Saint Peter, Mary the  
Mother of God, and all the saints  
to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ,  
and in Christ,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory are yours, O loving  
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**

*Bishop* 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 Bishop 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: How beautiful upon the mountains  
(Stainer)*

### **Communion Hymn**

Let all mortal flesh keep silence  
and with fear and trembling stand;  
ponder nothing earthly-minded,  
for with blessing in his hand  
Christ our God to earth descendeth,  
our full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary,  
as of old on earth he stood,  
Lord of lords, in human vesture -  
in the body and the blood -  
he will give to all the faithful  
his own self for heavenly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven  
spreads its vanguard on the way,  
as the light of light descendeth  
from the realms of endless day,  
that the powers of hell may vanish  
as the darkness clears away.

At his feet the six-winged seraphs,  
cherubim with sleepless eye,  
veil their faces to the presence,  
as with ceaseless voice they cry,  
Alleluia, alleluia,  
Alleluia! Lord most high.

*Liturgy of St James, tr. Gerard Moultrie (1829-85)*

### **Prayer after Communion**

*Bishop* Lord God, the source of truth and  
love,  
keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching  
and fellowship,  
united in prayer and the breaking of bread,  
and one in joy and simplicity of heart,  
in 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**

Rejoice! the Lord is King!  
Your Lord and King adore;  
mortals, give thanks and sing;  
and triumph evermore:  
*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;  
rejoice, again I say, rejoice.*

Jesus, the Saviour, reigns,  
the God of truth and love;  
when he had purged our stains,  
he took his seat above:  
*Lift up your heart...*

His kingdom cannot fail;  
he rules o'er earth and heaven;  
the keys of death and hell  
are to our Jesus given:  
*Lift up your heart...*

He sits at God's right hand  
till all his foes submit,  
and bow to his command,  
and fall beneath his feet:  
*Lift up your heart...*

*Charles Wesley (1707-88)*

### **Dismissal**

**Bishop** 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.

**Bishop** 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: March in D  
(Guilmant)**

 Please stay for coffee after  
today's Parish Mass.  




Online Wednesday mornings at 10 a.m. Would you like to join in?  
Please email [admstjohns30@gmail.com](mailto:admstjohns30@gmail.com), and our administrator  
will arrange for you to receive the relevant "link".

## Authorised Lay Ministry (ALM) Training - new electives for 2022/23

Applications are now open for this year's ALM training programme. The Diocese is this year able to offer four new electives – Rural ministry, Care for Creation and Eco Church, Small group leader and Preaching. They will also continue to offer training in Pastoral care, Worship and liturgy, Mission and Chaplaincy. The ALM course is now open to any lay person who is 18 and above and has the support of their incumbent and PCC – there is no longer a requirement to have completed the Living Faith course first.

For more details please visit [www.chichester.anglican.org/authorised-lay-ministry/](http://www.chichester.anglican.org/authorised-lay-ministry/)  
The closing date for applications is 8th October 2022.

The **Thames Chamber Choir** will be performing here IN AID OF ST. JOHNS on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 7 p.m.



**Thames Chamber Choir**

at St John's Church,  
Pevensey Rd,  
St Leonards-on-Sea

*Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup>  
October, 7 p.m.*

**Gloria in excelsis Deo**

*...with music by Allegri, Tallis, Palestrina,  
Harris, Vaughan Williams and Campling*

**Tickets £10 (concessions £7)**

on the door, or via [thameschamberchoir.com](http://thameschamberchoir.com)

The **Big Breakfast** returns on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> October. Please join us for a breakfast of coffee, tea and croissants, here at St Johns on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> October at 8.30 a.m. Janet F will talk about her life in politics and her Christian faith. All welcome. *MC*

**Christmas Fair** - Sat 10th December. If you would like to be involved, then please let me know. New ideas are always welcome!

*Katy H*

If you would like to contribute towards the **Church Hall defibrillator** you can use electronic means – in Church or via the Saint John's website. Please let us know via the Parish Office that you intend this to be for the defibrillator. If donating by cheque, please make it payable to "St John's PCC" and mark the cheque on the back "Defibrillator". See Mike C or Marion N for more info.



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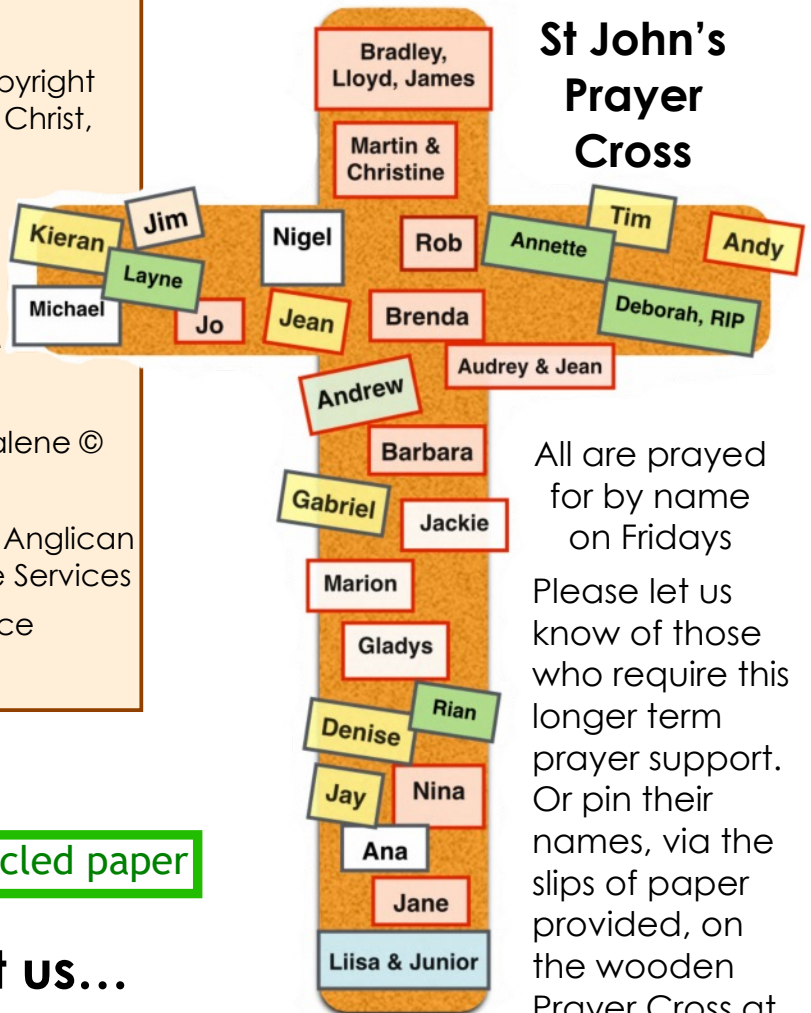
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All are prayed for by name on Fridays

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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