



**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2018**  
**Third Sunday after Trinity**

**Hello! Welcome to St John's, especially if you're here for the first time.**

**If you have children with you then please *relax!* They are an important part of God's family and we're excited to have you and your family worship with us today!**

We do not pass a collection plate during the 10.30am service, but if you would like to give to support the mission and ministry of our parish there are gift bowls at the back of church. If you are a tax payer please use one of the blue envelopes which allows us to reclaim tax.

If you would like to receive Communion in your seat please tell one of our Welcomers.



**Please do join us for refreshments after the service**

## Our Worship Today

**8.30am**

Holy Communion

**10.30am**

Family Communion

**5.30pm**

Evensong

## Church News

### Congratulations!

Congratulations to Abby, Daniel, Eva, and Sophie who were all confirmed by Bishop Mark last Sunday. We pray for God's continued blessing upon them.

### Children & Communion Questionnaire

As a parish we're exploring admitting children to Communion before Confirmation. Following the discussion meeting last week questionnaires have been distributed inviting you to tell the PCC what you think. If you've not yet completed one you can pick a questionnaire up from the welcome desk. Please return by **10<sup>th</sup> July**.

Don't forget to have a look at [Growing Disciples: Welcoming Baptized Children to Holy Communion](#). This research was conducted by Revd Dr Steve Dixon, the former Diocesan Education Officer for Children's Work in Manchester Diocese.

### 18<sup>th</sup> June @ 7.30pm – Alpha

Alpha continues tomorrow. We begin with a meal at 7.30 and we'll be done by 9pm. This is a great way to explore the Christian faith so why not bring a friend along with you?

- 18<sup>th</sup> June - "Why did Jesus die?"
- 25<sup>th</sup> June - "How can I have faith?"

### Spend a summer with Paul

During **June and July** we're working our way through 2 Corinthians. Then in **August and September** we'll be looking at Ephesians to discover more about God's amazing grace and the unveiling of his secret plan!

Why not read 2 Corinthians and Ephesians in your daily Bible reading and come along with your questions? If you're looking for a straight forward and helpful commentary check out Tom Wright's *Paul for Everyone*.

## What's on this week?

### Wednesday

10am Holy Communion  
2.00pm Crafty Chat

### Thursday

10am-12pm Good as New

### Next Sunday (24<sup>th</sup> June)

8.30 Holy Communion  
10.30 Family Communion  
5.30 Evensong

## Dates for your diary

### 26<sup>th</sup> June @ 7.30pm

#### Wardens & Sidespeoples Meeting

A meeting for *all* Wardens and Sidespeople will be held to reflect on roles and responsibilities and how we can nurture this important aspect of ministry in our parish.

### 30<sup>th</sup> June – Garden Party

This regular annual event in the St John's calendar returns this year. To help the running of this event various items are being requested as donations including items for the tombola, plants, cakes, toiletries, jewellery, handbags, and toys. More info can be found on the noticeboard in the hall.

### 3<sup>rd</sup> July @ 7.30pm

#### Café Church - Planning Meeting

In January 2019 we are hoping to launch a new weekly Sunday worship service: an informal afternoon Café style service between 4-5pm. If you would be interested in playing a part in this exciting new initiative please come along to a meeting to help shape the plans.

### 15<sup>th</sup> July @ 3.30-5.30pm

#### Teddy Bear Picnic

This family event will provide lots of fun for children between the ages of 0-5. Refreshments will be provided and older siblings are more than welcome to come along too!

### 19<sup>th</sup> August – Baptism Afternoon

This session starts at 2pm and provides a friendly space for families who are thinking about getting a child christened to meet each other and learn more about what baptism involves.

### 9<sup>th</sup> September – Welcome BBQ

Following the Summer break we're holding a Welcome BBQ at 12pm. This will be a perfect opportunity to invite your neighbours along to.

### 15<sup>th</sup> September – Parish Vision Day

This day is open to everyone. This is a really exciting time in the life of our parish and this day will provide an opportunity for us to prayerfully reflect on where God is taking us over the next ten years.

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