

This Week

Alan unavailable Mon, Tues, Weds this week

Sunday 8am-1pm Sunday Worship

Monday 9:30am Churchyard 10am Funeral 7pm
Bellringing 8pm Mandolin Monday

Tuesday 12pm-2pm Jazz 6.30pm Office Hour

Wednesday 9:00am Church cleaning 12noon
Words & Music 1.30pm Knitting

Thursday 9.30am Morning Prayer Jazz 12noon
8pm Music Group practise

Friday 12pm Jazz 7pm St Johns Singers 7:30pm
Bellringing

Saturday

***“Let’s go” is on a break for the Half
-term but will be back next week***

Services

Early Morning: 8am, 8.30am

Mid-Morning: 9.30am Songs of Praise
10-11am Welcome, Worship,
Word & Communion

Late Morning: 11.30am, 12pm
with lunch @ 12.30pm

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Sunday 22nd Oct 2017

Welcome

Welcome to St John's, especially if this is your first visit here. We hope you enjoy worshipping with us.

Theme: Abiding

Readings:

Matthew 24:36-44.

The day and hour unknown

‘But about that day or hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. For in the days before the flood, people were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark; and they knew nothing about what would happen until the flood came and took them all away. That is how it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. Two men will be in the field; one will be taken and the other left. Two women will be grinding with a hand mill; one will be taken and the other left. ‘Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known at what time of night the thief was coming, he would have kept watch and would not have let his house be broken into. So you also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him.

John 15:1-8

‘I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful. You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you. Remain in me, as I also remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me.

‘I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. If you do not remain in me, you are like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. This is to my Father’s glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.

Luke 10: 25-37

The parable of the good Samaritan

On one occasion an expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. 'Teacher,' he asked, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?'

'What is written in the Law?' he replied. 'How do you read it?'

He answered, "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind"; and, "Love your neighbour as yourself."

'You have answered correctly,' Jesus replied. 'Do this and you will live.'

But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?'

In reply Jesus said: 'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he was attacked by robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half-dead. A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he travelled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, brought him to an inn and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper. "Look after him," he said, "and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have."

'Which of these three do you think was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?'

The expert in the law replied, 'The one who had mercy on him.'

Jesus told him, 'Go and do likewise.'

Today's Conversation Question/point to ponder:

How do you see your faith, as a set of rules to be abided by or as a relationship to be abided in?

TODAY-

Coffee is served by Michelle & Christine

Prayer Ministry available in the Prayer Chapel during mid-morning communion.

For your prayers: Our Worship Leaders, our Church Youth and Juniors.

Theme for October: 7-week series using the word PRAISE as an acronym **P**raise, **P**ray, **R**eading, **A**bid, **I**ntegrating, **S**inging & **E**njoying that takes us (almost) up to Advent.

ECO News



Eco tip of the week: buy local veg and home cooked pies and cakes from Wingroves farm Shop, Langley park Road, Iver, open Thursday, Friday and Saturday mornings until 1pm.

Food Caddy We are now the proud owners of a Food caddy for all our food waste and tea bags.

Please try to use the correct bin when you are throwing anything away. The bins are clearly marked. Many thanks.

If you came to the eco festival please fill in a feedback form if you haven't yet done so. This will help us with planning future events.

Churchyard News: this week, we have sown some grass seed in 2 areas that have recently been cleared of brambles and ivy. Tomorrow morning (Monday 23/10) there will be a bonfire in the churchyard to get rid of some of the garden debris, so if you are passing by and see smoke- please don't worry. If anyone would like to help with the bonfire and raking leaves please join us from 9.30am onwards. tools provided.

General News

£1 Coins. If you have a Children's Society Box at home, you don't need to worry about any "old" £1 coins that may be inside it. Our bank have agreed to take them for the foreseeable future.

Organ Recital-Mervyn Hogg to mark the 500th anniversary of Reformation Day 31st October 12:30pm-1:15pm St Martins Ruislip Admission free There will be a retiring collection for various charities.

Christmas

Operation Christmas Child (Shoe box)

We will be supporting this amazing charity again this year. Bringing joy to children around the world. Please see the information at the back of the church. There is also a leaflet explaining more about the Charity. **The deadline for all boxes to be returned to us is the 5th November.**

2018 Church pocket Diary If you are interested in having a small pocket diary the cost will be £1.50 please sign the form at the back of the church.