

Bulletin

11th August 2019 - 8th Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to the Parishes of Stansted Mountfitchet, Birchington and Farnham.

We hope you enjoy worshipping with us.

*If you are here for the first time or visiting from another church,
do stay for coffee and introduce yourself.*

FARNHAM FETE AND DOG SHOW

Sunday 15th September from 12 noon

The Globe, Farnham, CM23 1HR

BBQ – Bar-Tea and Cakes – Raffle

Games & Races – Tug of War- Bouncy Castle & more!!!

Details from Dawn Ingram at Simply Pawfection

07977 185352 or mail dawn@simplypawfection.co.uk

CONNECT 120

We would like to invite you to join with them to celebrate the 2nd Birthday of the project. Steve Kersys will be speaking to us and there will be a short act of worship as well as time to learn more about what Connect 120 and the churches have done together over the last year.

8th September, 4.30pm St John's Church.

BIBLE STUDY

There will be no bible study meetings in August, but we will resume on **Monday, 2nd September, 1.30 to 3 pm at 21 Park Road.** We have finished the Book of Revelation and will be studying the Gospel according to St John.

Everyone welcome to join us.

Kathy

NOTE FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE

Please note, the church office will be closed from Monday 12th August until Wednesday 4th September. In case of emergency, please contact Rev Helen (details on the other side of the Bulletin). Thank you for your understanding.

Barbora Dragoskova, Parish Administrator

CONNECT 120 BIRTHDAY PARTY

HELP NEEDED

St John's is privileged to be hosting the C120 2nd birthday party at 4:30 on Sunday 8th September. For this event we will be providing an afternoon tea party. It would be great to have as many and as varied a selection of cakes and sandwiches as possible. And it would be nice to be able to display them on tiered cake stands. I will also need some helpers to make people welcome and serve the tea. Please sign up on the clip board at the back of church by 1st September. Many thanks.

Janet Janet.wilkin@googlegmail.com

OLD KEYS FOR RECYCLING

As you are all aware of, the keys to St John's church and the church hall have all been changed earlier this year. We have contacted Lock Stock & Barrell and they confirmed they **recycle old keys**. If you have any old keys, from the church, church hall or even some other old keys you'd like to recycle, please feel free to **put them in the small yellow box** at the sideman's desk at back of St John's. Thank you.

MEDITATION GROUP

The meditation group will continue to meet in church on Wednesday evenings at 7pm throughout August and September except for Wednesday August 28th, when there will be no meeting.

Helen

ST. JOHN'S 300 CLUB

Many congratulations to the winners of the July draw:

£200	No. 46	D. Nash
£100	No. 131	Katy Dockerill
£50	No. 262	Dorothy Barker
£25	No. 22	Rosaleen Nagle

The draw for August will be on 25th August following the 9.30am service. Numbers are still available for anyone who may wish to join at a cost of £2/month per number. Please contact me for an application form if you would like to be in with a chance of winning whilst helping to support the work of St John's Church. Thank you.

Jean Newson, 819062

HELP NEEDED

There is a young family in need of a double bed, single bed, sofa and chairs, chest of drawers, clothes rail, high chair and a stair gate. They would be grateful for any other household items. Please contact **Ann Moore 01279 776220** if you could help.

STEWARDSHIP SCHEME

One way of giving to St. John's Church is by donating via our weekly or monthly envelope scheme which are collected every Sunday. Each year in the autumn a fresh batch of dated envelopes are issued, and by using these gift aid tax rebates can be collected, which in turn enables the Church to benefit further from your donations. These envelopes are all anonymous, and there are also gift aid envelopes in Church for one-off gifts. If you would a set of these envelopes, or want further information on how to donate to St. John's Church regularly please contact me as I administer the Stewardship Scheme on email julielenton52@btinternet.com or tel. **01279 813208.**

Julie Lenton

11TH AUGUST - 8TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Hymns: 96, 156, 698, 519, 275

Anthem: 'A Prayer of St Richard Archer' Mudd

Bible Readings:

Interceder: Kathryn West

Reading: Hebrews 11.1-3, 8-16

Reader: Peter Jones

Gospel: Luke 12.32-40

Traditional Collect

O almighty Lord and everlasting God,
vouchsafe, we beseech thee,
to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies
in the ways of thy laws and in the works of thy
commandments,
that through thy most mighty protection,
both here and ever,
we may be preserved in body and soul;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

18TH AUGUST - 9TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Bible Readings:

Interceder: Peter Jones

Reading: Hebrews 11.29-12.2

Reader: Malcolm Lloyd

Gospel: Luke 12.49-56

25TH AUGUST – 10TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Bible Readings:

Interceder: Stella Skingle

Reading: Hebrews 12.18-29

Reader: John Jaques

Gospel: Luke 13.10-17

1ST SEPTEMBER – 11TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Bible Readings:

Interceder: Janet Wilkin

Reading: Hebrews 13.1-8. 15-16

Reader: Roland Pelly

Gospel: Luke 14.1,7-14

Rector: Rev Paul Wilkin

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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mia Jayne Alves getting baptised in St John's on Sunday 18th. Also for their parents and godparents, may they help them understand how to live the life in a Christian way.

Francesco Angeliny & Kathryn Lowndes, and William Whittaker & Helen Rankin, as they prepare for their weddings. May their marriages be life-giving and life-long, enriched by God's presence and strengthened by his grace; may they bring comfort and confidence to each other in trust and faithfulness.

Dawn Venables, Ron Etherington, Kay Everitt, Crystal Cock, Veronica Lynch, Annette Warner, Georgina Kemp, Robert Stubbings and Gillian, that they will have God's healing and peace as they need it and that their families and friends will know God's strength as they support them.

Those whose anniversary of death falls at this time, especially Hoffman Frederick Walter, Lynda June Grey, Gordon Wagstaff, Jim Nancarrow, Margaret Lehner and David Prime

Please pray for the work of the Leprosy Mission. Remember, too, the people of those countries where leprosy is still a major problem.

THE WEEK AHEAD

St John's Stansted

Tuesday 9.15am - St John's Tots

Wednesday 9am - Morning Prayers

10am - Holy Communion

7.00pm - Meditation Group

Thursday 10.30am - Coffee Pot

Sunday 8am - Holy Communion

9.30am - Sung Eucharist

St Mary's Birchanger

Sunday 11.15am – Morning Service

St Mary's Farnham

Sunday 6pm – Evensong

Please send any material to be shared in the next Bulletin or requests for the prayer list to the Parish Administrator by 9am on Friday 6th September.

Anything coming after this time will be forwarded to the next Bulletin. Thank you.