





Making Disciples who make Jesus known

HEADLINE NEWS!

Thank you to everyone that contributed to and supported the **COFFEE MORNING** last Saturday in aid of **HORTICAP**.

A magnificent £683 was raised. The next coffee morning is on Saturday 8th November, 10.00am -12noon and all proceeds will be for one of our mission partners

ARTIZAN INTERNATIONAL.

Our wonderful team are looking for somebody to take over collecting up the tombola donations from both churches and ticketing the prizes ready for the 2nd Saturday each month, and then manning the stall on the day. Pat is very happy to show you what the process is, please speak to Pat Fenton or Anne Grindrod or with the office if you are able to help

as this is such a good fundraising stall.

In aid of

St John's & st Luke's church

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Christmas
Coffee Morning

Saturday 1st Nov 10am-1pm

Christmas gifts, crafts,
jewelery, cakes & a raffle

Judy - 07923119998

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26 Pecketts Way, Hg1 3EW

Coffee, Tea & biscuits free
For other time arrangements
call Judy

TODAY'S SERVICES AND EVENTS

SUNDAY 19TH OCTOBER (Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity)

9.00am Holy Communion (SJ) 10.30am Morning Worship (SJ)

Readings: 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5; Luke 18:1-8

Hymns: AMNS 122; SB 141; AMNS 231; AMNS 431

10.30am Morning Worship (SL)

Readings: Genesis 32:22-31; Luke 18:1-8 Hymns: SR 82: SR 172: Is He worthy?: SR 20

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CHURCH LIFE



ST JOHN'S CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL 2025

It's back for another year!

Any size of tree can be accommodated (real/fake/homemade), any theme goes.

Trees need to be in place by Sunday 30th

November and will stay up until the beginning of January

To find out more information and to book your free place in the festival at St John's please contact Gill in the church office at church@stjohnsandstlukes.org.uk

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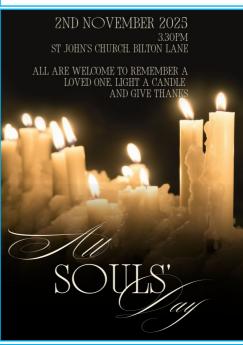
If you have been knitting or crocheting

POPPIES for the flower team to use at Remembrance please bring them into the church office by the end of October. Thank you!



Parents of all children currently in years 3/4/5 are invited to a short meeting after the 10.30am service on **Sunday 23rd November** at St John's to talk through the process for applying for foundation places at **ST AIDAN'S** school.

If this is something you may be looking to do for your child in the future we invite you to come along to understand the process and requirements expected.



If you have some time to give perhaps you could help on one of the rotas that we need new **VOLUNTEERS** for:

- helping with children/young people's groups
- serving refreshments after services
- counting the collection on Sundays
- cleaning the church
- perhaps you would like to read the Bible passages during a service
- joining the worship band?
- do you have a skill for tech and would like to learn how to use the sound desk and the screens at St John's and St Luke's?

If any of these are of interest please speak to the office to find out more.



THANK YOU to **ECHO 42** for their fantastic jazz concert on Saturday 4th October at St John's, they raised £330 for church funds!

THE GREEN TEAM

MAKE YOUR OWN MINI CHRISTMAS RAG WREATH DECORATION OR DOOR DRAUGHT EXCLUDER GREEN TEAM CRAFTERNOON, SUNDAY 2ND NOVEMBER 2PM – 4PM, ST JOHN'S CHURCH HALL

Come along on Sunday 2nd November between 2pm and 4pm to St John's church hall and make your own door draught excluders to help keep your house warmer. Measure the length of the bottom of the door where you feel a draught. Bring your own fabric if you have some or it will be provided. Scraps of fabric not big enough for the actual excluder or old clothes (e.g. T-shirts) are useful to stuff them with too.

We will also be making no sew mini rag wreath decorations to get you into the festive spirit. Bring scraps of material if you have some and create your own Christmas masterpiece.

YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S WORK

To ensure our groups are safe for everyone, all **CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE's** registrations must be checked annually on iKnow, please log onto your account, check and update all details including all medical questions, your own contact details and their details including school year. Follow this link for iKnow.

SUPPORTING MINISTRY & MISSION

Changes to Weekly Giving Envelopes

From **April 2026**, we'll be saying goodbye to our weekly donation envelopes. The cost of producing them and the time needed to process Gift Aid have both increased, so we're moving to simpler ways of giving.

You can still give by placing your donation in the plate — we can now **automatically claim Gift Aid** on all that giving.

Everyone currently using envelopes will receive a letter soon with more information. If you'd like, you can alternatively switch to the **Parish Giving Scheme** or set up a **regular gift directly through your bank**.

Thank you for your ongoing kindness and support — it really makes a difference!

QR Code Giving Update

If you previously set up your regular gift by scanning the QR code on our service sheets or via our website, please take a moment to **check your donation**. The giving system has recently been updated, and unfortunately, **some regular donations were removed** during the change.

Thank you for checking and for your continued generosity!

THIS WEEK'S DIARY

MONDAY 20 OCTOBER

9-9.30am Morning Prayer (SJ) 7.30pm Green Team Meeting

TUESDAY 21 OCTOBER

9-9.30am Morning Prayer (SJ)

WEDNESDAY 22 OCTOBER

9-9.30am Morning Prayer (SJ) 10.30am Holy Communion (SJ) 10.30am Thirst at Dene Park Community Centre

THURSDAY 23 OCTOBER

9-9.30am Morning Prayer (SJ) 9.30-11.30am Little Fishes (Parent & Toddler Group) (SL)

FRIDAY 24 OCTOBER

1-3.00pm Wellbeing Café (SL)

SUNDAY 26 OCTOBER

(Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity) 9.00am Holy Communion (SJ) 10.30am All Age Holy Communion

(SJ)

Readings: Romans 15:1-6

Luke 4:16-24

SB 106; AMNS 394; SB 197; SB 146 Hymns:

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Luke 4:16-24

12.00pm St Aidan's SIF Signing

*** The Parish Office will be closed from Monday 27th-Thursday 30th October ***

ST AIDAN'S SUPPLEMENTARY FORMS

Laura will be signing St Aidan's Supplementary Information Forms on **Sunday 26th October** after the 10.30am service at St John's. This will be the last opportunity to have your form signed, as Laura will be on holiday after this date.

Thank you for making sure your forms are in on time!

CONTACT US

SAFEGUARDING

For any queries or concerns, contact Gill Clarke (Parish Safeguarding Officer)

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