

Belonging Together in Christ

HEADLINE NEWS!

St John's & St Luke's
SOCIAL GROUP
invites you to

HARVEST SUPPER & CÈILIDH

at ST JOHN'S CHURCH, BILTON

CHILLI & JACKET POTATO, VEGAN OPTION AVAILABLE.

MUSIC AND DANCING FOR ALL AGES!

ALL AGES WELCOME!
We look forward to seeing you there.

FAITH, FRIENDSHIP AND COMMUNITY.

PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN DRINKS.

SATURDAY 3RD OCTOBER

6:00PM
Please arrive promptly at 6pm

Meal served at 6:15pm

£6 ADULTS
UNDER 12s FREE

★ TICKETS ON SALE NOW! ★

SIGN UP AT CHURCH AND CONTACT:

St John's: Juliet, Liz & Naomi

St Luke's: Dan & Jonny

BOOK ONLINE VIA EVENTBRITE

SCAN QR CODE TO BOOK

eventbrite.co.uk/e/harvest-supper-ceilidh-tickets-1998748039190

TICKETS ON SALE NOW - DON'T MISS OUT!
An evening of good food, great music, dancing and laughter!
ALL ARE WELCOME!

To buy your ticket to the **HARVEST SUPPER & CÈILIDH** scan the QR code or click this link

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/harvest-supper-ceilidh-tickets-1998748039190?aff=oddtcreator>

HELP NEEDED FOR ST JOHN'S CHURCH GROUNDS WORKING PARTY!

Do you like gardening, or just being outside in the fresh air? Our church grounds look amazing, but our hard-working gardening team need some help. We are holding our fourth church grounds working party on **Saturday 5th September** from 9.30am to around 11.30. Help is needed strimming and raking up the grass. Bring your own rake, strimmer if you have one and gardening gloves. Bacon butties will be provided! Just turn up on the day, or please speak to Rob Bath, or email robertabath@yahoo.co.uk for further details.

THIS WEEK'S DIARY

SUNDAY 30TH AUGUST (Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity)

9.00am Holy Communion (SJ)

10.30am **JOINT** All Age Holy Communion (**SJ**)

Readings: Romans 12:9-end; Matthew 16:21-end

Hymns: SB 106; SB 170; SB 57; My lighthouse

CHURCH LIFE

COFFEE MORNING



The next **COFFEE MORNING** is on Saturday 12th September, 10am-12noon in the church hall, donations for the raffle and tombola can be left at the back of either church. Donations for the cake stall can be brought on the morning from 9.30am. All proceeds next month will be going to help our **Green Team** and **Gardening Team** at St John's build raised beds and planters to enable them to grow plants including ones for the Flower Team to use inside the church in arrangements throughout the year.

The chorus and principal singers of **YORK OPERA** are returning to St John's after their successful concert in March. As they continue to mark their 60th anniversary, the concert will feature famous excerpts from their grand opera triumphs over the years, including Puccini, Verdi, Bizet and Mozart. Highlights include the Hebrew Slaves chorus from Nabucco, the Habanera from Carmen, Dido's Lament from Dido and Aeneas, 'O mio babbino caro' from Gianni Schicchi and the glorious Easter Hymn from Cavalleria Rusticana. Join us for an evening of musical magnificence - a perfect introduction to opera –

on **Saturday 10th October at 7.30pm.**

Tickets are available from:

<https://tickets.yorkopera.co.uk/events/yorkopera/2256203>

or scan the QR code.



CHOIR PRACTICES

start back on Friday 11th

September at St John's and they are open to all to come along and try.

Junior Choir is 6.30-7.15pm and adults from 7-7.45pm



MONDAY FIRST is back on 7th September at Dene Park Community Centre, 2-3.00pm.

Join together with the lovely team from SJ&SL lead by John & Val Carr for worship, learning, cake and a cuppa, everyone is welcome. This month's theme is the **Parable of the Unforgiving Servant.**

ST JOHN'S CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL IS BACK FOR 2026!

More details to follow in September but get your thinking caps on now.

September's issue of our parish **FOCUS MAGAZINE** is available to buy from both churches for 60p or to read on our website.

The copy date for October's issue is **Sunday 13th September**, all articles can be left for the editor in the parish office or emailed through to sjslfocus@gmail.com

The **PARISH OFFICE** will be closed from Friday 28th August until reopening on Tuesday 8th September. Any urgent queries can be directed to Matthew.

Welcome Sunday
at St John's Church

Sunday 13th September

Holy Communion Service at 10:30am

Start of a new school year and re-start
of children's groups for all ages.
Stay for a bring-and-share lunch
afterwards.



All Welcome



IGNITE
YOUTH GROUP
STARTING BACK!

**SUNDAY
13TH
SEPTEMBER**

6-7.15PM
AT
**ST JOHN'S
CHURCH**



**ALL THOSE IN YEARS 7+
ARE WELCOME TO COME ALONG!**

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**PARISH
GIVING
SCHEME**

We love welcoming everyone into our churches, whether it's to mark an important time in someone's life, to worship regularly, or to come together in the heart of the community. If you'd like to support your local church, perhaps you'd consider making a gift? You can make a regular or one-off gift simply and safely online, through the **PARISH GIVING SCHEME**, scan the QR code to find out more or pick up a form in church.



THIS AND NEXT WEEK'S DIARY

TUESDAY 1 SEPTEMBER

9-9.30am Morning Prayer (SJ)

7.00pm PCC Meeting (SJ)

WEDNESDAY 2 SEPTEMBER

9-9.30am Morning Prayer (SJ)

10.30am Holy Communion (SJ)

10.30am Thirst - Coffee Morning at
Dene Park Community Centre

1.30-3.30pm Wellbeing Café (SL)

THURSDAY 3 SEPTEMBER

9-9.30am Morning Prayer (SJ)

SATURDAY 5 SEPTEMBER

9.30-11.30am Church Grounds Working
Party (SJ)

SUNDAY 6 SEPTEMBER (*Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity*)

9.00am Holy Communion (SJ)

10.30am All Age Worship (SJ)

*Readings: (Romans 13:8-end)
Matthew 18:15-20*

*Hymns: SB 95; SB 61; Holy forever;
SB 186*

10.30am Holy Communion (SL)

*Readings: Romans 13:8-end
Matthew 18:15-20*

*Hymns: SB 74; SB 77; SB 127;
SB 212*

12.30pm Baptisms (SJ)

MONDAY 7 SEPTEMBER

9-9.30am Morning Prayer (SJ)

TUESDAY 8 SEPTEMBER

9-9.30am Morning Prayer (SJ)

WEDNESDAY 9 SEPTEMBER

9-9.30am Morning Prayer (SJ)

10.30am Holy Communion (SJ)

10.30am Thirst - Coffee Morning at
Dene Park Community Centre

1.30-3.30pm Wellbeing Café (SL)

7.00pm Finance & Buildings
Committee Meeting (SJ)

THURSDAY 10 SEPTEMBER

9-9.30am Morning Prayer (SJ)

9.30-11.30am Little Fishes (Parent &
Toddler Group) (SL)

FRIDAY 11 SEPTEMBER

6.30-7.15pm Open Junior Choir Practice
(SJ)

7-7.45pm Open Adult Choir Practice (SJ)

SATURDAY 12 SEPTEMBER

10.00am-12noon Coffee Morning in
Church Hall (SJ)

SUNDAY 13 SEPTEMBER (*Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity*)

9.00am Holy Communion (SJ)

10.30am Holy Communion followed by
bring & share lunch (SJ)

*Readings: Romans 14:1-12
Matthew 18:21-35*

*Hymns: AMNS 105; SB 137; Make me
a channel of your peace;
SB 142*

10.30am Café Church (SL)

Hymns: SB 118; SB 250; SB 99

6-7.15pm Ignite (Year 7+ Youth Group)
(SJ)

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