WHAT'S ON AT ST JOHN'S		
DATE	TIME	EVENT
Mon. 6 May	8.00 a.m	MONDAY MARKET 'OPEN CHURCH'
Wed. 8 May	7.30 p.m	Sing for Joy Choir
Sun. 12 May	10.00 a.m	Morning Worship
Sun. 26 May	11.15 a.m	АРСМ
Sat. I June	10.00—2.00 p.m	VISION DAY
Sat. 8 June	7.30 p.m <b>TBC</b>	SING FOR JOY CHOIR
		'SUMMER CONCERT'

**NEW ROTA**—Please collect your copy from the table at the back of church today. Many thanks.

## For your prayers/praise

Pray for our forthcoming APCM and all who will take up office including our new Warden.

Pray for His Majesty King Charles III and Queen Camilla.

We can do this in our daily prayer asking Almighty God to guide the King in his appointed tasks. Also pray and uphold The Prince and Princess of Wales and all the royal family.

As ever, please continue to remember in your prayers all who need God's healing touch, both known to you personally, and in the wider community. We look for God's peace and comfort to enter these situations.

Please pray for family carers, who often work under great stress.

Pray for our Musicians and prayer ministry team.

For the outpouring of The Holy Spirit.



#### WELCOME TO ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH, SHIPHAY

'A caring fellowship seeking to share the life and love of God' Sunday, 5 May 2024

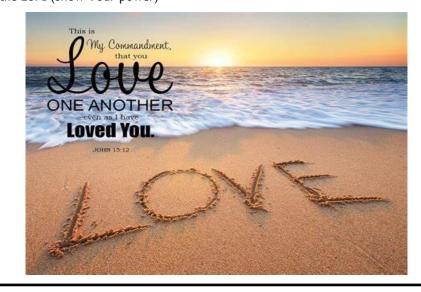
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# Greetings.

We warmly welcome you to our Worship this morning. We are glad you have chosen to come along to this service especially if this is your first visit to St. John's. We really hope you will stay and join us for Fairtrade coffee and refreshments after the service this morning.

#### Music

O for a thousand tongues to sing Draw me close to You I will worship Let Your living water Offertory I heard the voice of Jesus say Communion Jesus, stand among us Open our eyes, Lord Jesus, we enthrone you He is the Lord (Show Your power)



#### Acts 10:44-End

<sup>44</sup> While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit came on all who heard the message. <sup>45</sup> The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on Gentiles. <sup>46</sup> For they heard them speaking in tongues<sup>10</sup> and praising God.

Then Peter said, <sup>47</sup> 'Surely no one can stand in the way of their being baptised with water. They have received the Holy Spirit just as we have.' <sup>48</sup> So he ordered that they be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked Peter to stay with them for a few days.



**APCM** – Our APCM this year is on **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May** starting at *approximately* 11.15 a.m.

At this meeting we vote in new 'PCC' (Parochial Church Council) members who make the key decisions about church life. If you feel called to serve on this council, do chat to Rev Paul or Olivia, our warden since there are vacancies! Nomination forms available in the entrance porch.

**APCM REPORTS** – Would Warden/s and people leading in all areas of church life such as House groups, Flower, Music teams, who usually give a report please let Sonia have a typed copy (if possible) by **Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May**.

**Electoral Roll** – If you have been worshipping with us regularly we hope you would like to join our Electoral Roll. Please take, complete and return a form (at the back of church) to the office. You must be over 16 years of age and *either* 

a resident of the parish **or** have worshipped regularly with us for 6 months. Last day to join the roll this year is **12 May 2024.** 

Thank you. Sonia.

If you wish to attend the APCM you must be on the Electoral Roll.

## John 15:9-17

<sup>9</sup> 'As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. <sup>10</sup> If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commands and remain in his love. <sup>11</sup> I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. <sup>12</sup> My command is this: love each other as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup> Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. <sup>14</sup> You are my friends if you do what I command. <sup>15</sup> I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. <sup>16</sup> You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit – fruit that will last – and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you. <sup>17</sup> This is my command: love each other.

John 14:21 Those who accept my commandments and obey them are the ones who love me.

Love God by obeying him and respecting his commandments. Psalm 122:1 I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord". Love God by worshiping him and praising him for his love for you. Hebrews 6:10 (God) will not forget...how you have shown your love to him by caring for other believers.

Love God by helping others and being a Christlike example to them. Matthew 10:42 If you give even a cup of cold water to one of the least of my followers, you will surely be rewarded.

Love God by helping those in deep need.

## O Lord God,

love above all loves, dwelling wherever love abides, help us to find within us the joy to meet your unattainable love, and ground ourselves in that eternally, that we might love one another

For update of the Vicarage garden please take a look at St John's website. www.stjohnshiphay.org.uk