



Keynsham Parish

Sharing Jesus Christ

Notices for the week beginning
Sunday 28th April 2024
The Fifth Sunday of Easter

9.15am	Holy Communion Rev'd Jan Knott	St. John's
9.30am	Holy Communion Rev'd Anika Gardiner	St. Francis
11.00am	Morning Worship Hilary Flynn & Eagle Yip	St. John's
11.15am	Holy Communion Rev'd Anika Gardiner	St. Michael's
6.00pm	Evening of Quiet Worship Rachel Hall	St. John's
Collect for the day		Readings for the day:
Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.		Acts 8: 26-end (Psalm 22.25-end) John 15.1-8 Mark 12: 38-44 (St John's)
<u>Please pray for those who are sick:</u> <i>Lesley Allwood-Coppin, Nicholas Anderson, Sue Burke, Rex Cotton, Pat Dawes, Gareth Denning, Anna Dodson, Ken (Hero) Flatt, Derek William Francis, Cathy Gardiner, Liz Greaves, Hewson family, Richard Hardy, Mike Holdway, Louvaine Jackson, Laura Kenrick-Fearns, Ethan Knott, Logan Manton, Andrew Rees, Lee Sadler, Howard Scott and Michael Watts.</i>		
<u>We remember those who have died:</u> <i>Nigel Hutchings and Michael McKenna</i>		

St John's AGM will take place on **Tuesday, 30th April at 7.30pm** in the Parish Hall. This will be a time to remind ourselves of what has happened in the last year, hear reports and have a look at finances. There will be vacancies on the DCC. So, if you think you could use your gifts by joining us, then we'd like to hear from you. For all details, such as accounts, agenda and reports - they will be on the website within the next week.

It is time for **Keynsham Parish APCM** which this year will take place on **Tuesday, 7th May at 7.30pm** in the Parish Hall. Come and long to hear what happened in the last year within the lives of our churches across the parish. More details on the website in the next week.

Christian Aid Please join us for a **United Service** at Victoria Church on **Sunday 5th May at 6.30pm** Visiting speaker: David Hart, Christian Aid's Somerset and Dorset Church Engagement and Fundraising Officer. Our **Big Brekkie** is at Keynsham Baptist Church **Saturday 18th May 9.30am-12pm** (including plants and cakes).

Please see <https://www.keynshamparish.org.uk/christian-aid-1> for more Christian Aid Week information and how to donate. Further details from Wendy Robbins wrobbins0@gmail.com or Tina Stubbs 0117 986 9664.

Community Sight Loss Ivy Thomas works as a Community Sight Loss Advisor in BANES supporting people living with sight loss. They run a community advice hub and social in Keynsham Library once a month, and can provide information and signposting, training in low vision aids, referrals to relevant services and more (all their services are free). For more information, their telephone number, website, and email is as follows:

0117 322 4885

<https://www.sightsupportwest.org.uk/> (There is an events calendar people can use to see where their nearest community hub is)

ivy.thomas@sightsupportwest.org.uk

Giving to St John's St Johns Church is the key public building in Keynsham, yet it receives no public funding, relying mainly on donations. Please could you help towards the running costs of this beautiful and historic building? Please scan this QR code or copy the link above to donate by card. Thank you!



<https://givealittle.co/c/3NV9PNEQtXtY7hqxIjBIA2>

BRF Notes Bible Reading Fellowship notes for **May-August 2024** are now available and I will be distributing them over the next couple of weeks. St. John's subscribers will find them for collection at the back of the church. If you would like to order bible-reading notes for the first time, please let Graham Shaw know (grashaw54@gmail.com or Tel: 9868638). If you have not yet paid your annual subscription for May 2024-April 2025, I shall be pleased to receive it as soon as possible.

St John's Sermon Series on God's generosity and giving. You may have noticed that the Gospel reading is different for St John's. This is because we will be looking at God's generosity and our giving for the next 4 weeks. If you'd like to know more about the Parish Giving Scheme or giving in general, please speak to St John's treasurer, Anne H.

We will be having a **Gift Day on Sunday, 12th May** at the end of the 4 weeks, encouraging us to give one off-gifts to go towards the heating costs. We'd also ask you to review regular giving by this date. More details to follow.

Vacancy Update

As you may be aware we held the interview for the Team Rector post just over a week ago. Unfortunately, the panel felt it was not the right fit for our parish, therefore we did not appoint. While initially we may feel disappointed, it is important we discern the right person for the post. The advert has gone out again (Friday) so please share with people who may be interested or to networks you may have. We are hoping and praying that we will interview in mid-June.

Vacancy Prayer

God our Father, you have welcomed each one of us in Jesus and called us to be his body in this place.
Send us your Holy Spirit, at this time of uncertainty and change, to fill us with vision and energy.
We ask now that you will help us to share responsibility,
grow in faith,
love one another,

care for those in need,
reach out to others,
and welcome newcomers.

Lord Jesus, guard and grow these churches in our parish
as we serve you together in this period without a team rector.
Please guide those who are seeking the right person for us,
and those who are seeking the right parish for their ministry,
that together we may discover your way for the future and see your
kingdom grow.

Amen.

Exam season has begun Some of our young people have started their
exams this week already and others are about to start. Let us pray for
them during this time, that they will know God's peace with them.
Here is a prayer you may want to use:

Dear Lord of body, mind and soul.

*We think today of those about to take school and university exams and we
ask you to give them your peace. We think also of those who invigilate and
mark the exams, may you give them wisdom and compassion.*

*Be with the teachers, parents, family, and care givers as they support the
young people both through the exams and with the results. May they show
love and understanding and give them insight in guiding the young people
forward with their lives.*

Amen.

Abseil Event A full update of funds raised for St John's will be confirmed
next week but, in the meantime, the team working on this event wanted to
say a **HUGE THANK YOU** to everyone who gave their time volunteering,
making cakes and generally giving support leading up to and during this 2-
day event, it was so generous and greatly appreciated - Thank You!

Edmund and Christine Prideaux would also like to say a very big **thank you**
to all who helped out at the abseiling event last week-end. Also, thank you
to all those who sponsored Eleanor in her 'jump'. We were thrilled that
about **£1200** was raised, including some gift aid. This will be split between
St John's and The Life Project.

CLERGY TEAM AVAILABILITY								
	W/C 28 th April 2024	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
Revd Anika Gardiner Team Vicar	0117 9853470 anikagardiner@keynshamparish.org.uk	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
Trevor James Pioneer Missioner	07368 526997 trevorjames@keynshamparish.org.uk	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Items for the next issue News Sheet to the Parish Office by 10am, Wednesday 1st May, 2024 (Email office@keynshamparish.org.uk)								

Diary

Monday 29 th April 2024		
9am 9am-12pm	Morning Prayer Church open for Private Prayer	St. John's St. John's
Tuesday 30 th April 2024		
9am -12pm 7.30pm	Church open for Private Prayer St. John's AGM Meeting	St. John's Parish Hall
Wednesday 1 st May, 2024		
9am-12pm 10.30am 11am 2pm 7.30pm 8pm	Church open for Private Prayer BRF Coffee - Graham & Rachel Shaw Holy Communion - Rev'd Anne-Marie Bird Mother's Union Baptist Preparation Meeting Worship Band Practice	St. John's Zoom St. John's Parish Hall Upper Room St. John's
Thursday 2 nd May, 2024		
9am 9am-12pm 7.30pm	Morning Prayer Church open for Private Prayer Bell Ringing Practice	St. John's St. John's St. John's
Friday 3 rd May, 2024		
9am-12pm 5.30pm	Church open for Private Prayer Choir Practice	St. John's St. John's

Saturday 4th May, 2024		
10am	Who Let the Dads Out	St. Francis
Sunday 5th May. 2024 - The Sixth Sunday of Easter		
9.15am	Holy Communion Rev'd Anika Gardiner	St. John's
9.30am	Faith in Action Environment	St. Francis
11.00am	Morning Worship Rev'd Anika Gardiner & Paul Thurlow	St. John's
11.15am	Rogation Service	St. Michaels
11.15am	Holy Communion Rev'd Margaret Snook	St. Margaret's
6pm-7.30pm 6pm-7.30pm 7.30pm-9pm	Impact Youth Group Youth Home Group	Parish Hall OCT OCT
Collect for The Day		Readings for the day
<p>Risen Christ, by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples: help your Church to obey your command and draw the nations to the fire of your love, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.</p>		<p>Acts 10: 44-end (Psalm 98) John 15.9-17</p> <p>Mark 8: 27-38 (St. John's)</p>