

Welcome



3rd to 9th August

Welcome to St John's

Thank you for being with us here at St John's.

Whether you are worshipping with us for the first time today or have been worshipping for many years, we pray that you will feel the love of God in our midst.

Please stay for refreshments after the service if you wish, all are welcome.

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Sunday services for 3rd August (7th Sunday of Trinity)

Holy Communion 9.30 a.m.

Presiding Reverend Colin Simpson

Readings Colossians 3.1-11

Gospel: Luke 12.13-21

Organist Richard Stephens

Hymns (337) Jesus calls us: o'er the tumult

(605) Take my life, and let it be

(223) Go forth and tell

Prayer

Please pray for

John Harmsworth

David Mills

Mary Nickerson

Ann Everett

Jeanette Tucker

Shirley Rayson

Diana Smith

Polly Baker

Chris Paterson

Valerie Nuttall



Rest in peace

Keith Smith (funeral at St John's on Monday 11th August at 3.00 p.m.)

Sophie Critchard (funeral at St John's on Friday 8th August at 11.30 a.m.)

West Buckland Services

This is the usual pattern of services at St Mary's, West Buckland. All are welcome.

1st Sunday of the month

Lay-led Morning Worship at 11.00 a.m.

2nd Sunday of the month

Holy Communion at 11.00 a.m.

3rd Sunday of the month

Join St John's Holy Communion at 9.30 a.m.

4th Sunday of the month

Holy Communion at 11.00 a.m.

What's on this week

Sunday

Holy Communion 9.30 a.m.

Monday

Wellington Choral Society meeting in the hall 7.00 p.m. to 9.30 p.m.

Tuesday

Talking Cafe 10.00 a.m. to 12.00 p.m. Advice from the Village Agent

Carers' Group in the hall 1.30 p.m. to 3.00 p.m.

Slimming World in the hall 6.00 p.m. to 9.00 p.m.

Wednesday

Morning Prayer at St Mary's, West Buckland at 9.00 a.m.

Slimming World in the hall 4.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.

Thursday

BCP Communion 10.00 a.m. with Reverend Ian Brierley

Friday

Funeral of Sophie Critchard in the church 11.30 a.m.

Coming Up

Monday 11th August

Funeral of Keith Smith in the church 3.00 p.m.

Saturday 16th August

Coffee Morning in the hall 10.00 a.m. to 12 noon

Tuesday 26th August

Armed Forces Outreach Service 1.30 p.m. to 3.30 p.m. in the hall

Thursday 28th August

Craft and Chatter 2.30 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. in the hall

Men's Breakfast

The men's breakfast, which was due to take place on Saturday 2nd August, has now been postponed until Saturday 13th September at 9.00 a.m.

Coffee Morning

Please make a note in your diaries for the next Coffee Morning on Saturday, 16th August. These coffee mornings are very important in raising money for St John's. It costs over £2000 a week to keep the doors open, and we are very grateful to everyone who volunteers, bakes, donates, and supports these events. Thank you to all of you, and we look forward to seeing you at the next one.

David Price Organ Recital Saturday 26th July

I can find no one who can remember when St John's last hosted an organist to give an evening organ recital. However, what the 67 people who came to hear David Price last Saturday seem to agree on from their feedback after the recital, and since, is that the organ we possess is very worthy of being heard in a concert setting. A major ambition of the event was to raise money to improve the maintenance and functionality of this much respected instrument. The final count is not complete; when it is ready, the figure will be made known. Everyone who contributed a donation is to be thanked. ALL the donations are valued equally. There were a number of fantastic volunteers who made the occasion possible and successful: those who were involved in poster design, social media and website promotion, the very generous hosts, the helpful Box Office staff, Tom of Hobbs Electrical, who 'saved the day', and two wonderful people who bought and plated the free food. Importantly, St John's benefitted from a great deal of favourable postings on Facebook.

It is likely that we shall not have to wait so long for the next organ concert!

Andrew Maddocks

Safeguarding Audit Update

The results of the independent review into safeguarding in the Diocese of Bath and Wells have been published. INEQE, who are in the process of evaluating the quality of safeguarding practice in all Church of England dioceses across the country, undertook the audit of Bath and Wells in March 2025. The full report can be viewed on the diocesan website, but overall, the outcome was positive.

The report states: "Bath and Wells has developed a strong and positive safeguarding culture driven by committed leadership, engaged safeguarding personnel and effective strategies that personalise safeguarding and empower local communities."

Thank you to all of you who continue to undertake safeguarding training for your valuable volunteer roles at St John's and St Mary's.

Richard Elloway's Swimathon Update

Richard Elloway is completing a sponsored swim to raise several thousand pounds towards the refurbishment of the rear door used by people with mobility issues. He aims to swim 45 miles, about 2500 lengths in the Wellington Sports Centre pool. He is now well over the halfway mark in his swim! Please support Richard, if you can, by signing a sponsorship form on a table near the font. Thank you.