



ST JOHN'S NEWS

13th January 2019

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THE SPIRIT OF FREEDOM

ROMANS 8:1-13

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WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S!

If you are a visitor today, we hope you enjoy your time with us and feel at home. If you'd like to know more about us, ask our Welcome team for our "What's On" leaflet - or check out our website...

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Sun 13th <i>EPIPHANY 2</i>	8.00am 10.30am 6.00pm	Holy Communion - Parish Centre Morning Worship - Newton Hall D Group - Carl's House
Mon 14th	9.00am 10.00am 7.00pm	Morning Prayer - Parish Centre Bumps 'n' Babies & Tots - Parish Centre Parish Centre Management Team - Parish Centre
Tues 15th	9.00am	Morning Prayer - Parish Centre
Wed 16th	9.00am 10.00am 7.30pm	Morning Prayer - Parish Centre Wednesday Friends - Parish Centre Element - Parish Centre
Thurs 17th	9.00am 7.00pm	Morning Prayer - Parish Centre Rooted - Parish Centre
Sat 19th	8.15am 10.00am	St Johns Ramblers - Parish Centre Craft n Chat - Parish Centre
Sun 20th <i>WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY</i>	8.00am 10.30am 6.00pm 6.30pm	Holy Communion - Parish Centre Holy Communion - Newton Hall D Group - Carl's House Chapeltown Churches' Joint Worship - Christian Community Church

Collect for 2nd Sunday of Epiphany

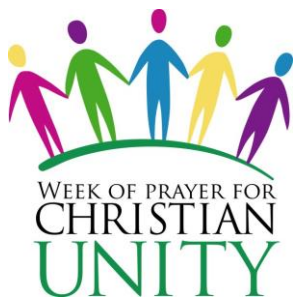
**Eternal Lord,
our beginning and our end:
bring us with the whole creation
to your glory, hidden through past ages
and made known in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

THE STORY CONTINUES...

This January we continue our sermon series in Paul's letter to the Romans, Chapters 8-16. It's still entitled *This Changes Everything*: it'll help us discover what it means to be a people filled with and transformed by God's Spirit, who live for Christ in a divided world. Might it just be specially relevant to life in Brexit Britain in 2019? Please pray for our preaching team and all of us – that we may be open to God's voice in the New Year...



CHRISTIANS UNITED IN CHAPELTOWN



Next Sunday evening is a great opportunity to join with friends from our sister churches in Chapeltown [Christian Community Church, Chapeltown Methodist Church and the Redeemed Church of God Restoration Assembly] for a joint Celebration as part of the international Week of Prayer for Christian Unity [18-25th January], at 6.30pm at the Christian Community Church on Loundside. The preacher will be a special guest from New Testament Ministries International, Revd. David Goddard. Join us if you can!.

A WELCOMING CHURCH?

In order to be a welcoming and engaging church we need your help! There are many jobs that need doing each week to help the service run smoothly. Welcome team, Readers, Prayers, Communion Assistants, & Coffee team. If you feel you might be able to help in anyway please speak to our church wardens Barbara & Tony.

CHRISTIANITY EXPLORED IN 2019

New Year can be a great time to pick up on the spiritual interest that is awakened at Christmas. Later in January 2019 we're offering a couple of different ways for folks who aren't yet Christians to explore Christian faith for themselves. They can either join a group – possibly meeting in Costa Coffee or Wetherspoons – or meet up one-to-one with a Christian friend. Why not be praying for your friends and family and possibly inviting them to be part of that? If you know someone who might be interested, do let Rick know TODAY!



CHRISTIANITY|EXPLORED

WHAT'S THE BEST NEWS
YOU'VE EVER HEARD?

WORLD LEPROSY DAY



**The Leprosy
Mission**
England and Wales

The final Sunday of this month, 27th January, is the Sunday we specially focus on one of our Mission Partners, the Leprosy Mission. Our morning services will follow that

theme, and there'll be a tasty Leprosy Lunch & Quiz up at the Parish Centre at 12.30pm – the cost is £5 for adults and £2 for under 16's and all the profits are going to the work of the Leprosy Mission. Please sign up on the sheet at the back of church if you are coming.

PLEDGES – a small nudge...

If you pledged to increase your giving in 2019 please can you remember to let your bank know your changes. Many thanks for all your giving!

CALLING ALL MUSICIANS

Are you a musician, or singer? Are you a team player? Would you like to be involved in our Sunday worship? If you can answer yes to these questions, our music group would love to hear from you! If you're interested, please speak to Paul Battey to find out what might be involved.

USEFUL CONTACTS

Vicar	Rev Rick Stordy	257 0966
Curate	David Whitehead	07543 440268
Churchwardens	Barbara Rodgers	246 3746
	Tony Gardiner	07341 478235
Readers	Ian Watson	257 0072
	Paul Ruddlesdin	284 5217
Pastoral Worker	Sylvia Charles	246 8028
Youth Minister	Carl Brooks – Plunkett	07702 159009
Youth Intern	Kirsty Dronfield	07519 369714
Safeguarding	Carl Brooks – Plunkett	07702 159009
Parish Office	Fiona Battey	257 7444

[Term Time 9.30 – 1.00pm Tues – Thurs]

PRAYER CHAIN

Prayer needs: If urgent prayer is needed for someone ill, in hospital or any other reason, please ring Fred or Judith Winks on 257 0477.

NEW TO ST. JOHN'S?

Will you help us to be a friendly church, and to get to know you? You may even want to know more about us at St John's. Please take a few moments to complete this slip, tear it off and return it via the offertory basket or to one of the Welcome Team, or direct to the Parish Centre, 21, Housley Park, S35 2UE

Name[s] & Address

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Tel. No.

Children's names & ages

Date

Would you like a visit from one of our staff team?