



This Christmas Weekend



Fri 24 Dec, St John's, Peasedown

Children's Christmas Service, 3.30pm-4.30pm

Fri 24 Dec, St Julian's, Wellow

Children's Christmas Service, 5.30pm-6.30pm

Fri 24 Dec, St Julian's, Shoscombe

Carols, 5.00pm-6.00pm

Fri 24 Dec, St John's, Peasedown

Midnight Communion with mulled wine and mince pies, 11.30pm-12.30am

Sat 25 Dec, St Julian's, Wellow

Christmas Day Communion, 09.00am-10.00am

Sat 25 Dec, St John's, Peasedown

Christmas Day Celebration, 10.00am-11.00am

Sun 26 Dec, St J's Group

No Sunday Services



Merry Christmas

Matthew, Jane, Hannah and all the benefice staff would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Morgans' New Year's Day Walk

Meet at The Barge Inn, Seend at 11:20 with picnic lunch and friends for a gentle undulating 7 mile walk, to finish before the pub closes at 16:00. Unless it is frosty, it will be muddy, but the last 2 miles is along the canal tow-path. Satnav / multimap using the postcode: SN12 6QB. Dog-friendly, but 10 stiles. On the A361 travelling East from Trowbridge towards Devizes, 4 miles after the Great Hinton roundabout, turn left signposted for The Barge Inn. Follow this road for about 3/4 mile, to reach the pub on the left, just before the canal bridge. There is a large car-park. Contact Peter Morgan for more details: 01761 431720.

Benefice Administrator
Nathan Hartley - 01761 438808

THIS WEEK

Sunday Brunch

We are coming towards the end of our 6 months praying for the future of our St John's Morning Service Family. To mark this (and because it will be enjoyable) a Brunch will be served in the Church Hall following Holy Communion on **Sunday 9th January** to which I very much hope you will be able to come! The plan is that we sit down at about **10.15** so if you happen to oversleep and miss Church that morning, come and join us for a late breakfast anyway. Feel free to invite any friends and family - try let me know if you plan to bring extra people so we have a rough idea of numbers. Everyone is welcome! *Tom Morgan*

Christmas Annual Leave

Matthew will be taking annual leave over from 27th Dec - 2nd January inclusive. Please contact Nathan during this period: 01761 438808, admin@ubpw.com

As from January...

Nathan will be moving to flexible working hours from January Monday 3rd. The best way to contact him is via email: admin@ubpw.com He can also be contacted by phoning 01761 438808. He'll try and respond to messages within 24 hours (if they are left Mon-Thu).

'Wake up and smell the coffee'

From January 2nd we'll be exploring our new sermon series called 'Wake up and smell the coffee'. We'll be looking at the 12 minor prophets in the Old Testament and exploring how their words are relevant for us today in the 21st century.

We have a full range of speaker and teachers visiting us over the next 12 months - what a year it's going to be.

Nathan's Thought for the Week

A few weeks ago Nathan was asked to record a Thought for the Week for Somer Valley FM. Many of you received a copy of the recording this week via email. If you did not, and would like to hear it please contact Nathan.

Ten Lamps at Peasedown

January's Ten Lamps Service will be held at St John's Church. The service will start at 5pm on Sunday 16th. We'll be hosting friends from Paulton, Timsbury, Priston and the surrounding villages. (This service does not replace Soul Food, but is Soul Food at a later time).

St J's Group Dinner and Dance

Sat 22nd Jan 2010, 7.30pm Peasedown St John Church Hall

Remember all the fun we had at the Scottish evening last year? Come and enjoy another great evening's entertainment with a dinner and dance. Tickets will be on sale in the New Year at £5.00 per head to include a three course meal followed by Ballroom/Country dancing.

Hairspray

The St J's Group next outing to the Bristol Hippodrome will be on Thursday 21st April, Maundy Thursday, to see Hairspray - starting Michael Ball. Organised by David Cox, the Tickets are only £21 each this time plus £5 for transport. This show has been billed in London as an extravaganza Let David know as soon as you can if you'd like to go: 01761 411291

Forthcoming Meetings in the Benefice

Vicar's Advice Surgery - Sat 15th Jan, 10am-11am, The Vicarage, PSJ
PSJ Standing Committee - Thu 20th Jan, 7.30pm, The Vicarage, PSJ
Benefice Staff Meeting - Tues 25th Jan, 10am, The Vicarage, PSJ
Wellow PCC - Tues 8th Feb, 7.30pm, St Julian's Church Vestry, Wellow