

'Operation Christmas Child'

It is the time of year when we prepare the shoeboxes! Please make up a box and bring joy to a child. Encourage your family and friends too! Leaflets are available at the back of church and the boxes will be collected from St Johns on Tuesday 15th November

'Messy Harvest'

This month we are at St Johns on Sunday 30 October at 3.30pm. We welcome donations of party food. We always need lots of helpers for this event so please let Teresa know if you will be able to come by texting or calling her on 07963 399645 . Thank you
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Do you like Quizzing?

Would you be interested in taking part in regular quiz nights at St Johns on Friday evenings, 6.30-8.30pm? This is a proposed idea to raise much needed funds for our churches and also a social get together. If it takes off it could be offered to our wider local community.

If you would like to take part please put your name on the sign-up sheet at the back of church.

Contact details

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St John's Parks Swindon & St Andrew's, Walcot, Swindon

THE PARISH OF PARKS AND WALCOT

*working with Queens Drive Methodist & Holy Family RC Churches
as 'the Church in Parks and Walcot'*

PLEASE TAKE THIS SHEET HOME WITH YOU

Sun 23rd Oct – *Last Sunday of Trinity*

**Merciful God, teach us to be faithful
in change and uncertainty, that trusting
in your word and obeying your will
we may enter the unfailing joy of
Jesus Christ our Lord.**

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10am Morning Worship @ St John's led by Linda / Angela
10am Holy Communion @ St Andrew's led by Teresa

Today's Bible Readings

St Andrews - 2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18 & Luke 18:9-14
St Johns – Joel 2:23-end & Lk 18:9-14

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**If you'd like someone to pray with you after the service,
please find a member of our prayer team.**

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Prayer chains - if you'd like a group of church members to pray confidentially or immediately about something, please phone & speak to one of our 'prayer chain' coordinators:

for St John's – Brenda Allen ☎ 642352
for St Andrew's – Margaret Golledge ☎ 526760

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Prayer crosses – if you'd like a prayer request included in the public prayers at church, please use the 'prayer cross' at the back of church.

This Week

As it is now school holidays, Tea & Toast will be having a break.

Tues 25th

2pm Jesus followers @ St Andrew's

Wed 26th

10am Holy Communion @ St John's

Thurs 27th

10am Cuppa & Chat @ St Andrew's

Sat 29th

**3pm Thanksgiving & Remembrance Service
@ St Andrew's**

Sun 30th

10am Holy Communion @ St John's

10am Morning Worship @ St Andrew's

3.30pm Messy Church @ St John's

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'Jesus' followers'.

Do you want to learn more about Jesus and what it means to follow him? Come along to our weekly group at St Andrews on Tuesday's at 2-3.30 pm to delve into the bible, have fun and followed by a cuppa. All welcome.

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'Cuppa n chat'

This Thursday, 10-12 noon at St Andrews we invite you to a short talk by Lorna Brown who is our local Street Warden. If you want to find out more about what support this team offers in our community or have some burning questions for her, then please come along. We serve drinks and delicious homemade cakes.

Do invite friends and neighbours - all welcome.

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'Thanksgiving and Remembrance Service'

This is being held at St Andrews on Saturday 29th October at 3pm. Please do come along as we remember those loved ones who have died. During the service we will read out the names who have died in this parish and so if you would like one read out then please let Julie know in the parish office. At the end of the service please do stay for refreshments.

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'Christmas Unwrapped' - School Visits

Each Christmas children from Year 4 at Goddard Park, Mountford Manor and Oaktree come to the church to learn about the Nativity story. It is a really enjoyable session which the children absolutely love. This year will be the first year we have done Christmas Unwrapped following the closure of Queens Drive Methodist Church and so we are hoping and praying that we will have enough volunteers to make it possible for the sessions to go ahead. We are delighted that Abi Corey from in:School has offered to come and help with each session and also our training session. Abi's availability plus that of our minister's means that we will need to offer the following dates to the schools:-

Wednesday 23rd November (AM for St A's, PM for St J's)

Thursday 24th November (AM or PM St J's)

Wednesday 30th November (AM for St A's, PM for St J's)

Thursday 1st December (AM or PM St J's)

The training session will take place on Wednesday 9th Nov at 11:30am. The training session is a great opportunity to come and find out about Christmas Unwrapped and see if you think you might like to help one of our more experienced volunteers on a craft table. It's also great for those who've done it in previous years to remind us how we tell the story and get us excited about it! Please bring your own lunch, drinks will be provided! We do hope that many of you will be able to come and will hold these dates in your diaries whilst we await the schools confirming which slots will work for them.

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