



**NEWSLETTER
FOR ST JAMES'S, WINSCOMBE;
ALL SAINTS, SANDFORD; AND
ST. JOHN'S, CHURCHILL.**



9th July 2021 Newsletter

Dear Friends,

The Church Centre was almost full for the United Service last Sunday; and it was good to welcome several young families. The children (assisted by their Mums!) created some beautiful Stained Glass Windows. We look forward to seeing people back at the Church Centre on Sunday 18th July when there will be a Service of Family Holy Communion.

This **Sunday 11th July** will be the 6th Sunday after Trinity and we have **Holy Communion** at all three of our churches, **9:30 am at St James's, and 11:00 am at All Saints and St John's.**

On **Tuesday 13th July** there will be a **Midweek Communion** at **10.00 am at All Saints Church** and on **Thursday 15th July** there will be **Thursday Church** at **10.00 am** at the **Church Centre.**

The readings for this Sunday are:- Amos 7: 7-15; Psalm 85: 8-end; Ephesians 1: 3-14 and Mark 6: 14-29.



In your continuing prayers, let us join as a church community in bringing before God those dear to us, who are suffering in body or mind at the moment especially:

Celian H, Tim Walton, Geoff Norton, Sara B, James, Jim McGeoch, Myra Burroughs, Pat Gray, Pippa Cobden-Ramsay, Katie Brookman, Russ A, Rachael, Ken Martin, Nigel J, Miriam Taylor and Rosie T and those known only to ourselves and to God, and for all the people who love them.

We give thanks for answers to prayer especially for those who are recovering from recent operations or time in hospital.

Let us also pray for

- England's big match this Sunday!
- Wisdom for our government in all the decisions taken during this pandemic.
- Our NHS - particularly for those staff exhausted by the demands of the last twelve months
- A fair distribution of coronavirus vaccine across the world
- Those who are sick or ill as a result of the coronavirus and those who have been bereaved

If you would like a new name added to the prayer list, please feel free to contact Revd. Andrew - contact details on the website.

News this Week



Come along and help transform the front of our Church Centre.

On Saturday 24th July we are holding a 'Painting Day' at the Church Centre from 10am onwards.

We want to paint the flowers for the mural that is planned for the front and side of the building, and continue painting the frontage with cream coloured paint.

So there is plenty for old and young to do. We would particularly like our younger members to come along and paint a flower for the mural.

All the materials will be provided so just come along at any time from 10am to offer your help.

Winscombe and Sandford PCC Meeting on 5th July

This was the first PCC Meeting for a very long time where we were able to meet in person; and there are some really positive outcomes to highlight:

- The 1st phase of the Church Centre Development was approved in principle
- The Parish Magazine will be re-launched in September
- Andrew has been invited to become a Training Incumbent - and this may mean that we have a Curate joining the Benefice in 2022
- Welcome Packs that can be given to people moving to the community were approved
- The Mens' Breakfast will hopefully restart in September

The Minutes from the meeting held on 10th May were approved. Copies can be obtained from William Du Croz.

Winscombe Community Association AGM

The Winscombe Community Association is holding its AGM by Zoom on Wednesday July 14th at 7.30pm.

There will be exciting news about the development of the new building

If you would like to join us email chair.wca@gmail.com

Irene Thresher

Parish Council WiNSpace Support Survey - Closing Soon

A reminder of the Parish Council Survey which is currently on-going and our own campaign to encourage as many Parishioners as possible to complete it. **The survey is now heading for its final few weeks before it closes**, so if you haven't done so already, please use the link below to complete it.

Don't forget It's Time to say YES – WiNSpace

Parish Council Survey Page

<https://www.winscombeandsandford-pc.gov.uk/VirDir/CoreContents/News/Display.aspx?id=41515>

WiNSpace Information page

<https://winspace.org.uk/home/time-to-say-yes-winspace/>

Can you help?

St James's could really do with some additional volunteers to help on the cleaning rotas. If you are able to lend a hand, please contact Derrick on 01934 843014 or winscombechurchwarden@gmail.com

Many thanks.

Guidance Notes for Booking a Venue

If you are intending to use the Church Centre, one of our Churches or Church Rooms for any purpose, you need to book the space on the Hall Booking System. The web address is <https://hallbookingonline.com/winscombe/> Select 'Calendar' and scroll down to the date you require. You will be able to see any bookings that have already been made. To book a space, click on the '+new booking' symbol. This will take you to the booking form. Fill this in and press 'Submit'. The Bookings Secretary will receive it and after it has been approved, it will appear on the calendar. There is no charge for Church activities.

Please also see the attached Poster.

A Time of Thanksgiving and Remembering

Don't forget to spread the word about these events!



A Time of Thanksgiving and Remembering

Sunday 25th July 2021

**11am at All Saints Church, Sandford
3pm at St John the Baptist Church, Churchill
3pm at The Church Centre, Winscombe**

Readings, Music and Contemplation
after a challenging year.
Followed by refreshments
You are all welcome

Further details 01934 820972 or 01934 852784

We end this Newsletter with a prayer

Creator God,
you made us all in your image:
may we discern you in all that we see,
and serve you in all that we do;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

God bless you all
Andrew, Derrick, Diana and Tricia

Sent on their behalf by William Du Croz and Emma Stocks.

If you know of other people who might like to receive this Newsletter, or if you do not wish to receive future copies, please let William know.

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To join our **WhatsApp Group 'Church Matters'** just text your name and number to Jo Claridge on 07986 665618.

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