

Notices

Tuesday 5th September - Mothers' Union Branch

Meeting 2pm in the LMR. All welcome.

Speaker: Revd Denise Brown, Topic- Being Aware, a safeguarding activity.

Saturday 9th September - Wash Common Community

Festival and Garden Produce and Craft Show from 1pm at Falkland Cricket Club.

Sunday 10th September - 'Pilgrimage for the Planet'

A walk with pauses for readings and reflections

Starting at St John's Church at 4:15pm Arriving at St Michael's and All Angels Enborne by 6pm to join in with Forest Church. Details from cawestberks@gmail.com

Sunday 10th September - Forest Church 6pm. Outside at St Michael's Enborne.

13th September - St John's Ladies Fellowship. Special

Auction Services will talk about 'Treasures in our Attics': please bring interesting items. Open to everyone; all genders and friends. 2pm in St John's Parish Room.

18th September - The Monday Meet - The First Battle Newbury. Dave Stubbs talking about Wash Common's day in national history. 7.30pm for 8pm at The Bowler's Arms. All welcome.

Tuesday 19th September - Friendship Group: An afternoon of games, chat and tea. 2pm in St George's LMR. All welcome.

Wednesday, 20th September - flower arranging demonstration 10.30pm at St John's. Helen from Willow & Blooms is giving a demonstration of pedestal arrangements for churches. All welcome to attend. PLEASE NOTE CORRECTED TIME.

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Newbury, St George & St John

3 September 2023

Creation Sunday

Everyone is welcome at our churches and all are warmly invited to come along.

We look forward to seeing you.

Today's Services

St George's at 8.00am - Holy Communion

9.30am - Parish Communion

St John's at 8.30am - Holy Communion

10.00am - Parish Communion

Live-streamed worship this week is from St John's on YouTube from 10.00am - <https://bit.ly/3PMxGPY> or via www.stg-stj.org.uk

Upcoming services

Forest Church—10th September at 6pm at Enborne
Harvest Festival—3rd October at St George's and St John's

Weekly Services and Events

Benefice Office CLOSED THIS WEEK.

Monday **Welcome Café** at G's 9.00am-noon

Tuesday **Babies & Toddlers** at St J - summer break
Eucharist at 12.30pm at St John's

Wednesday **Morning Prayer 8.45am** at St John's
Morning Prayer 8.45am at St George's
Welcome Café at G's 9.00am-noon
Social & Midday Prayer, from 10.30am St J
Tiddlers & Toddlers - summer break

Thursday **Morning Prayer 8.45am** at St George's
Eucharist at 2.00pm at St George's
Contemplative Prayer - 6pm at St John's

Friday **Morning Prayer 8.45am** at St George's
'and Breathe' school-run café at St John's - summer break
Welcome Café at G's 1.30 – 4.30pm
Soup Lunch at St John's - summer break

Readings for Sunday, 3rd September 2023

The Collect

Almighty God,
who called your Church to bear witness
that you were in Christ reconciling the world to
yourself:
help us to proclaim the good news of your love,
that all who hear it may be drawn to you;
through him who was lifted up on the cross,
and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

First reading: Romans 12. 9-end

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to
what is good; love one another with mutual
affection; outdo one another in showing honour.
Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the
Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering,
persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of
the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not
curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep
with those who weep. Live in harmony with one
another; do not be haughty, but associate with
the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are.
Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought
for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible,
so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with
all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave
room for the wrath of God; for it is written,
'Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the
Lord.' No, 'if your enemies are hungry, feed them;
if they are thirsty, give them something to drink;
for by doing this you will heap burning coals on
their heads.' Do not be overcome by evil, but
overcome evil with good.

The Gospel: Matthew 16. 21-26

From that time on, Jesus began to show his
disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and under-
go great suffering at the hands of the elders and
chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the
third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and
began to rebuke him, saying, 'God forbid it, Lord!
This must never happen to you.' But he turned
and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are
a stumbling-block to me; for you are setting your
mind not on divine things but on human things.'

Then Jesus told his disciples, 'If any want to be-
come my followers, let them deny themselves and
take up their cross and follow me. For those who
want to save their life will lose it, and those who
lose their life for my sake will find it.

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Gospel cont.

For what will it profit them if they gain the whole
world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give
in return for their life?

Post Communion

God our creator,
you feed your children with the true manna,
the living bread from heaven:
let this holy food sustain us through our earthly
pilgrimage
until we come to that place
where hunger and thirst are no more;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Prayers for the week

Prayer is at the heart of everything we do.
A Weekly Prayer Diary is sent out by email with this
newsletter includes prayers for named individuals,
together with prayer intentions for the week for our
Benefice, the local community and the wider world.
Names can be added by contacting clergy or the Office
but please note, only with the permission of the named
person.

Upcoming services at St Michael's Enborne

Sunday 10 September - 6pm Forest Church
Sunday 24th September - 11am Holy Communion
Sunday 8th October - 11am Harvest Thanksgiving

Open for personal prayer ...

St George's Church is open daily (except Monday) from
9.30am - 2.30pm. (Access via the door on tower side.)

St John's Church is open on Wednesdays from
10.30am-12.30pm, and most days of the week.

St Michael's Church, Enborne is open every day in
daylight hours.

**Come, sit in peace, and enjoy the quietness of these
sacred spaces.**