

Notices

Monday, 15th January - The Monday Meet. 7.30pm for 8.00pm start upstairs at The Bowlers Arms. Peter Wright will give an illustrated talk about the 2023 St George's Pilgrimage. All welcome.

Tuesday 16th January - Friendship Group -
An afternoon of games, chat and tea. 2pm in St George's LMR. All welcome.

St George's Themed Quiz - Saturday 20th January
7pm for 7.30pm start. £15 to include supper and there will be a paid bar. Tickets are available from the church office (cash or cheque only).

Benefice Service of Confirmation - Sunday 21st January at 4pm at St George's Church. Come and support the 10 candidates from our benefice.

Benefice Quiet Day - Saturday 3rd February with Bishop Andrew at St Mary's Wantage. There are sign-up sheets at the back of the churches.

Pastoral Reorganisation - At last we have received notification of the final stage of the two year journey we have been on to include St Michael and All Angels Church Enborne in this benefice. We are required to publish notification of the pastoral reorganisation as follows:

A Notice giving the objects of proposed pastoral reorganisation affecting this parish has or will be displayed near the main door and on the Church of England website. The Notice includes the last date by which representations regarding the proposed reorganisation may be made to the Church Commissioners."

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South Newbury - St George, St John, St Michael

14th January 202

Second Sunday of Epiphany

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 George's on YouTube from 9.30am - <https://www.youtube.com/@thebeneficeofstgeorgeandstjohn/featured> or via www.stg-stj.org.uk

Next Sunday, 21st January

St George's 8am Holy Communion,

9.30am Parish Communion

St John's 8.30am - Holy Communion,

10am Parish Communion

St Michael's 11am—Holy Communion

Benefice Confirmation Service 4pm at St George's

Weekly Services and Events

Benefice Office open Tuesday to Friday 9.30-2.30.

Monday **Welcome Café** at G's 9.30am-12.30pm

Tuesday **Morning Prayer 8.50am** at St John's
Babies & Toddlers at St J 9.30am-11.15am
Eucharist at 12.30pm at St John's

Wednesday **Morning Prayer 8.50am** at St John's
Morning Prayer 8.45am at St George's
Welcome Café at G's 9.30am-12.30pm
Social & Midday Prayer, from 10.30am St J
Tiddlers & Toddlers - St G 10am - 11.30am

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 8.50am-10.15am
Welcome Café at G's 2.00pm – 4.30pm
Soup Lunch at St John's - 12 noon

The Collect

Almighty God,
in Christ you make all things new:
transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of
your grace,
and in the renewal of our lives
make known your heavenly glory;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

First reading: 1 Samuel 3. 1-10

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' and he said, 'Here I am!' and ran to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call; lie down again.' So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, 'Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call, my son; lie down again.' Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, 'Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening." ' So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' And Samuel said, 'Speak, for your servant is listening.'

The Gospel: John 1. 43-end

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, 'Follow me.' Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, 'We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.' Nathanael said to him, 'Can anything good come out of Nazareth?' Philip said to him, 'Come and see.' When Jesus saw Nathanael coming towards him, he said of him, *cont...*

Gospel cont.

'Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!'

Nathanael asked him, 'Where did you come to know me?' Jesus answered, 'I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.' Nathanael replied, 'Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!' Jesus answered, 'Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.' And he said to him, 'Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.'

Post Communion

God of glory,
you nourish us with your Word
who is the bread of life:
fill us with your Holy Spirit
that through us the light of your glory
may shine in all the world.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Upcoming Services at St Michael's, Enborne

Sunday 21st January - 11am Holy Communion.
Sunday 4th February - 11am Matins
Sunday 18th February - 4pm Forest Church

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 mainly open Tuesday to Friday from approx. 9-5pm. The red flag flying indicates openness!
St Michael's Church, Enborne is open every day in daylight hours.

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

In need of help?

If you need a listening ear, or have a prayer request contact the clergy on the numbers given on the front of this newsletter. We also have a space to write prayer requests, please ask a steward.