

Notices

Next Forest Church is THIS 17th November at 4pm at St Michael's Enborne.

Monday 18th November - The Monday Meet at The Bowler's Arms, 7.30 for an 8.00pm start. Pragna Hay, with her talk 'Uprooted: Escaping Idi Amin's regime'. In 1972, aged six, Pragna entered the UK as a refugee forced to leave Uganda. Carrying only a single suitcase and £50, her family embarked on a journey to forge a new life in unfamiliar territory.

Tuesday 19th November - St George's Friendship Group. 2pm in the Large Meeting Room for tea, cake, chat and games. All are welcome.

Why Advent Matters today - a warm invitation to come to a talk given by Revd Becky on Thursday 21st November at 7.30pm at St George's followed by refreshments and a chance to chat.

Saturday, 30th November - Newbury Chamber Choir concert 'The Bach Dynasty' 7.30pm at St John's. Choral music by Johann Sebastian Bach and members of his extended family, with orchestra and four young soloists. Tickets £15, Under 18's free, from www.newburychamberchoir.org or on the door.

Christingle Service - Sunday December 1st at 4pm at St George's.

Advent Carol Service - Sunday 1st December at 6.30pm (arrive by 6.15pm) at St Michael's Enborne.

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South Newbury - St George, St John, St Michael

17th November 2024 Second Sunday before Advent

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

St Michael's at 4pm - Forest Church

Live-streamed worship this week is from St George's on YouTube from 9.30am - <https://bit.ly/3PMxGPY> or via www.stg-stj.org.uk

Next Sunday, 24th November

St George's at 8.00am - Holy Communion
9.30am - Parish Communion

St John's at 8.30am - Holy Communion
10.00am - Parish Communion

St Michael's at 11am - Holy Communion

Weekly Services and Events

Benefice Office open Tuesday to Friday 9.30-3.00pm

Monday	Warm Welcome Café at G's 9.30am-12.30
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 Warm Welcome Café at G's 9.30am-12.30 Social & Midday Prayer , St J from 10.30am Tiddlers & Toddlers St G 10am - 11.30am
Thursday	Morning Prayer 8.45am at St George's Café Communion 12 noon at St George's Contemplative Prayer NOT THIS WEEK
Friday	Morning Prayer 8.45am at St George's 'and Breathe' school-run café at St John's 8.45am - 10.30am Warm Welcome Café at G's 2.00-4.30pm Soup Lunch at St John's - 12 noon Evening Prayer St John's 5.00pm

The Collect

Heavenly Lord,
you long for the world's salvation:
stir us from apathy,
restrain us from excess
and revive in us new hope
that all creation will one day be healed
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

First reading: Daniel 12. 1-3

At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever.

The Gospel: Mark 13. 1-8

As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, 'Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!' Then Jesus asked him, 'Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.'

When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, 'Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?' Then Jesus began to say to them, 'Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumours of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.

Post Communion

Gracious Lord,
in this holy sacrament
you give substance to our hope:
bring us at the last
to that fullness of life for which we long;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Upcoming services at St Michael's Enborne

Sunday 17th November - 4pm Forest Church
Sunday 24th November - 11am Holy Communion
Sunday 1st December - 6.30pm (arrive by 6.15) Advent Carol Service
Sunday 15th December - Holy Communion
Christmas Day - 11am Family Communion

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.