St Johns and Gamesley Newsletter. March 2024



Services @ St Johns

| April 7th | Holy Communion | April 7th | Morning Worship |
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| April 14th | Open church service | April 14th | Holy Communion |
| April 21st | Morning Worship | April 21st | Morning Worship |
| April 28th | Morning Worship | April 28th | Breakfast service |

Services @ Gamesley

To prepare for worship, you will want to look at the planned readings

April 7th Exodus 14,10-end; 15,20-21. Acts 4, 32-35; Psalm133; 1John 1- 2.2. John 20, 19-end

April 14th Zephaniah 3, 14-end. Acts 3. 12-19. Psalm 4. 1John 3,1-7. Luke 24,36b-48.

April 21st Genesis 7,1-5,11-18.8,6-18. 9,8-13. Acts 4,5-12. Psalm 23. 1John 3,16-end. John 10,11-18

April 28th Genesis 22,1-18. Acts 8,26-end. Psalm 22,25-end. 1John 4, 7-end. John 15,1-8

Open church

The next Open Church will be 14th April.

Please come along and support these special services

Lent challenge - THANK YOU

We had huge thanks from the Foodbank for the chocolate treats that we gathered during Lent. So thank you to everyone who contributed

Interregnum contact

Although we are in interregnum, all normal church services, as well as weddings, baptisms and funerals are available for the community.

There is a new email and telephone number for contacts and there will be monitoring the telephone and email during "business hours".

The email address is: <u>SaintJohnsCharlesworth@gmail.com</u> And the telephone number is: 07935556535

8.00 am services

Glossop wide 8.00 am services are held in St. Andrews church and the next service is 7th April

Men's Walking Group

The March Men's Walk was a pleasant circular walk around Chatsworth. Thank you to the drivers. 18 members set off from the House and walked up to the Hunting Tower through Stand Wood. After getting our breath back at the summit we then walked over Dobb Edge which afforded us excellent views of the Estate including the Plantation at Bubnell (E.R.) to mark the late Queen's Coronation.

We then dropped down and visited the Jubilee Rock which is one of Chatsworth's lesser known gems and marks the Golden Jubilee of Queen Victoria (1837 – 87).

We then walked back in the direction of the House where we had our picnics before walking past Queen Mary's Bower to Edensor Village. We had some free time at the village where members either visited the Graveyard, St Peter's Church or the Tea Rooms or a mixture of the three. Members were interested to hear that the family graveyard plot is the last resting place of Kathleen Kennedy, youngest sister of JFK who visited the grave in 1963, the year of his assassination. Kathleen would have been the last Duchess but for the "Curse of the Kennedys" There were a number of other very significant graves to see including Joseph Paxton, the famous gardener of his day.

After an enjoyable time in the village we the visited the Chatsworth Staff Social club where we enjoyed a beer and a chat.

The next Men's Walk will be on Thursday 4th April and will be a circular walk starting and finishing at Hayfield. We are a very friendly and inclusive group and always welcome new members. Please get in touch with me if you would like any information. Ivan Taylor Tel. 07756488909.

Ukelele evening in aid of Childrens society

A really successful evening was held at Glossop Labour Club on 20th March. The Glossop Ukelele Group (GLUG) were on form and provided a great evenings entertainment. The event was free with donations happily received in lieu of an admission fee. An Easter appropriate quiz added to the coffers and in all £165 was raised for the Childrens Society.

Thanks to everyone who supported the event in whatever way.

Easter Experience

The Easter Experience was held this year Over 2 days for children of Charlesworth school one week and Gamesley school the next week. As usual children from year 3 at Dinting school joined in.

The children enjoyed the immersive experience of the Easter story. It takes a lot of commitment from the church members who work hard to make it happen so thank you to everyone involved. The children always enjoy their experience.

We want your feedback and your input to the newsletter. Anything you would like included? Please let us know by contacting Monica on: haggart914@gmail.com or speak to the wardens.