

This Week's Notices

Upcoming services:

Sunday 4th October - Harvest	9:00am	Vacancy Parish Prayer Parish wide
	10:00am	Holy Communion at St David's
	10:00am	Holy Communion at St Mark's
	10:00am	Eucharist at St John the Baptist
Tuesday 6th October	9:00am	Morning Prayer on Zoom
Wednesday 7th October	9:00am	Morning Prayer on Zoom
Thursday 8th October	9:30am	Holy Communion at St John the Baptist
Sunday 11th October	10:00am	Eucharist at St John the Baptist
	10:00am	Holy Communion at St David's
	10:00am	Holy Communion at St Mark's
	2:00pm	Brick Church at St John the Baptist

Parish Prayer Focus

We have been focussing on our Parish over the last 3 months- praying for unity, strength to 'abide in God' and for our three churches that they will continue to 'grow in the faith of Jesus Christ and share God's love with all.'

This month as we prepare our Parish Profile please pray for:

A; Those who are contributing to it- that it will be a true and helpful reflection of where we are. And

B; The person who God is preparing for us as we prepare for them.

As Moses was looking for a successor to lead God's people into the Promised Land- this is what he prayed.

Moses said to the LORD, 'May the LORD, the God who gives breath to all living things, appoint someone over this community to go out and come in before them, one who will lead them out and bring them in, so that the LORD's people will not be like sheep without a shepherd.'

Numbers 27:15

Spend some time praying for our Parish Preparations in the Profile and then for the person God is calling that they will be prepared to come and lead our community as we seek to follow Jesus, the Good Shepherd, together.

Notices:

Harvest



Harvest Supper at St Mark's Church Hall Saturday 3rd October 6pm - 8.30 pm.

Please come along to our parish Harvest Supper and enjoy a meal of soup and crusty bread created by St David's and St John the Baptist. Followed by fruit crumbles and custard created by St Mark's, a true coming together of all three of our churches.

£7.50 each. Please bring your drinks. Any dietary requirements please let your church wardens know.

As part of our Harvest celebrations, we will also be celebrating harvest with the residents at Nicholas Rothwell on Sunday 4th October from 3pm where we will be singing harvest hymns and having some readings.

All are welcome to one or both events.

If you would like to donate to the Food bank, canned goods or monetary donations would be very gratefully received. All offertory collections from this Sunday will be donated to the foodbank. If you are unable to attend a service on Sunday, but would still like to donate you can do so by scanning the QR code.



Congratulating Sarah-Jane on her re-licencing as a Lay Reader please pray for her as she continues in this important ministry.

Lay Readers are trained and licensed volunteers who help lead worship, preach, teach and support the life of the church. Every few years, their licence is renewed in a special service, recognising their ongoing ministry and commitment to serving their local church and community.

Sarah-Jane gives her time, gifts and energy generously, and we are so grateful for all she contributes to church life in our parish. It was a joy to see her relicensed alongside others from across the Diocese in the beautiful setting of Peterborough Cathedral.

The Evening House Group. The monthly evening House Group will be meeting on Tuesday 6th October 7.30pm at Sue and Adrian's house. We will be looking at the story of Joseph in the Book of Genesis. All are welcome. For further details please speak to your Churchwardens or contact the office.

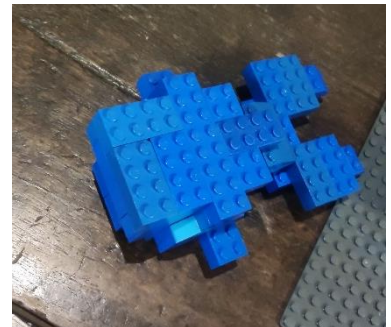
Office Drop Ins

St Mark's is delighted to be hosting a school visit on Wednesday 7th which means there will be no office drop ins that day - I'll be working remotely from my laptop that afternoon instead.

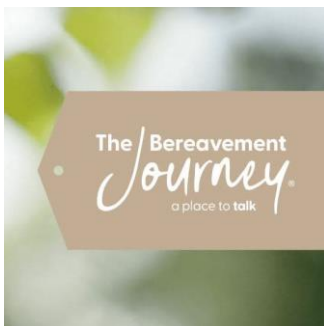


A micro build Jonah prepares to leave the boat to calm the storm

Brick Church Sunday 11th October 2pm – 4pm we'll be focusing on Harvest and what we are thankful for. Last Month as expected we had some amazing Jonah themed builds. If you've been inspired by these photos to see what you can build why not give Brick church a try?



A Lego whale



The Bereavement Journey

The Bereavement Journey is an award-winning series of films and discussion that gently guides adults bereaved at any time, through the varied ways grief and bereavement can impact, enabling them to process the implications for themselves and discern next steps.

Provided by the charity *AtaLoss*, and run by churches for their communities, it uniquely offers holistic support including accompanying signposting and a final session on faith questions in bereavement from a Christian perspective. The faith session follows the main material and is optional, making The Bereavement Journey suitable for people of any faith or none

We will be running a course starting on **12th October 2026** for more details speak to Sarah-Jane Major, Jo Carrick or email

thebereavementjourney@kingsthorpechurches.co.uk

KCT Ecumenical Prayer Lunch –Tuesday 13th October in St David's Hall 12:00 -1:00pm, all are welcome to join us in prayer and fellowship. Please bring your own packed lunch, teas and coffees will be provided.



Bloom The next meeting of Bloom (our monthly social group for women of working age) is meeting on Thursday 15th October 7:30pm at The Queen Adelaide pub on Manor Road, we'd love for you to join us. A chance to Bloom where you're planted.

Jam Jars Wanted If you have any clean, empty jam jars at home please bring them along to church before Sunday 18th October. They will be collected by the leaders of Woodland Church for use as part their craft activity at the October session. Thank you.

All Souls Service Advanced Notice. Our yearly All Souls service, will be taking place on Sunday 1st November at 6pm at St John the Baptist. Further information will follow shortly.

St David's Table Top Sale Saturday 7th November in St David's Hall 2-4pm. Are you trying to clear some clutter? Having an Autumn tidy? Making room for Christmas gifts? (sorry for mentioning the Christmas word in September) Then why not book a table at the St David's tabletop sale? Tables are just £10, and there will be a raffle, tombola and refreshments. If you would like to reserve a table either talk to Jane Serbyn or contact the office.



St Mark's Quiz Night – Saturday 14th November, 6 to 8.30pm

Come along and join us for a fun and relaxed quiz night, enjoy an evening of entertaining questions, different quiz rounds and plenty of laughs, with something for everyone to get involved in. Whether you're a quiz enthusiast or simply looking for a fun evening with friends and family, everyone is welcome. Jacket potatoes with a selection of fillings will be provided, please bring your own drinks. Tickets are £7.50 per person. Don't forget to sign up to St Mark's last quiz night of the year! We look forward to seeing you there for a great evening of fun, fellowship and friendly competition!

Christmas Tree Festival Save the Date. The Christmas Tree Festival will be returning to St John the Baptist this advent. The Festival will be open to the public 28th & 29th November. More details to follow.

Readings

Date	Sunday	First Reading	New Testament	Gospel
4th October	Harvest	Deuteronomy 26. 1 - 11	Philippians 4. 4- 9	John 6. 25 - 35
8th October	Thursday		Galatians 3. 1 - 5	Luke 11. 5 - 13
11th October	Trinity 19	Exodus 32. 1- 14	Philippians 4. 1- 9	Matthew 22. 1 - 14

Kingsthorpe Team Ministry Contact Details

Pastoral

Pastoral Contact Number – Revd. Angie Kennedy: 07926 904085

The next Baptism & Wedding Surgery is Tuesday 6th October 6:30pm – 7:45pm at St David's Church Hall

Zoom Prayer Login details

Meeting ID 89092051426

Pass code 487864

Office

Email: office@kingsthorpechurches.co.uk

Phone: 01604 720781

The Deadline for Items for the Newsletter is Thursdays 9pm

The office is open Wednesday mornings between 10am -12pm for Drop-ins and Friday mornings by prior appointment.

<u>Our Churches</u>			
	St David's	St John the Baptist	St Mark's
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Pastoral Link	Jane Serbyn	Mandy Bentley	Jo Carrick
	Sarah-Jane Major (parish wide)		
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