

St JOHN'S CHURCH WAKEFIELD

Sharing Christ in the Community

St John's Square / Wentworth St Wakefield WF1 2QU

**Parish
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**How YOU help St John's
to be like
the tree above,
not the tree
to the left.**



We have a 10.00am service of Holy Communion each Sunday

We provide hand gel as you come into church and at the entrance to the prayer chapel.

There are candle, shell and leaf prayer stations in the side chapel.

At the communion we offer bread and wine. If you do not wish to use the common cup you may just partake of the bread. .

Refreshments are available after the service.

On the 4th Sunday of the month we offer prayer for healing with the laying on of hands, in the side chapel.

The 10.00am service is live streamed and available from 10am onwards on the St John's YouTube Channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCDyIQ-Vbrv-5bikSlpgV2QQ> Just click on the link and select the service for today from the range of videos on the channel.

If you are on email you can receive the weekly newsletter this way. Please let Stephanie know if you would like this.

Tea-Time Service

We also have a service at 4.00pm on the third Sunday.

Everyone is welcome. The service is very relaxed with songs, activities, readings and prayers.

It is for everyone: families of all kinds, children, adults, young and old. Why not come along? Drinks and biscuits (and sometimes cake!) will be available before the service.



September is one of those funny times that brings things to an end but also signals new beginnings. The leaves will soon begin to turn, yet harvest time is just around the corner. Summer is over, school is beginning, and students return to

their studies in tidy uniforms yet to be stained with mud and paint.

As I write this, I am taking a break from painting water-colour trees that have roots mirroring the lush canopy above. These paintings will form part of a gift for the new ordinands (deacons and priests in training) coming to study at my college, to welcome them on their first residential.

Written at the bottom of the paintings are the words from Colossians 2:6-10. 'And now, just as you accepted Christ Jesus as your Lord, you must continue to follow him. Let your roots grow down into him, and let your lives be built on him. Then your faith will grow strong in the truth you were taught, and you will overflow with thankfulness.'

These words from Paul's letter to the Church in Colossae have occupied my mind for some time. 'Let your roots grow down into him...' The Bible is filled with rich imagery of trees, from the tree of life in Eden, to the trees of the

field that clap their hands in praise, to the mustard seed that becomes a tree for all the birds of the air. We are likened to trees planted by streams of living water, bearing fruit when the season comes. From a tree, the cross upon which Christ was glorified was formed. And here, in his letter to the Colossians, Paul picks up the image again of a tree, with roots that reach deeply down into Christ.

What does it mean to grow our roots down into Him? Well, we know most roots do not grow quickly. They develop slowly but persistently, anchoring the tree. Roots provide nourishment and they enable growth above the ground, even in seasons of drought and adversity. Without strong roots, a tree has no stability, no strength, and no lasting fruit.

To root ourselves in Christ is to ground ourselves in His presence, His Word, His love. It means allowing His story to shape ours. It means drawing our nourishment not from the shifting soil of what society considers success, but from the unchanging character of God. It is to practise prayer, read our Bibles, worship, and serve others.

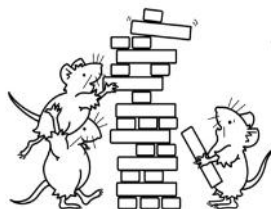
Paul writes that when our roots grow down into Christ, our lives will be built upon Him, our faith will grow strong, and we will overflow with thankfulness. We will become living signs of God's abundance and grace. So perhaps at this turn in the season we may take time to consider our roots. Where are we planted? What are we nourished by? What helps us to grow? How can we grow roots deeper down into Him?

God bless you,

Megan T

Come along and try our
LEGO BREAKFAST

Do you want to spend some
quality time
with your children or
grandchildren?



Do you like building with Lego, demolishing Jenga,
or playing traditional board games?

Would you like a bacon sandwich (veggie option
available) and a hot drink,
while playing games in a peaceful place?

All children please bring an adult.

Come along and join in at:

St John's Church, Wentworth Street WF1 2QU

Saturday 27th September

9.00am - 11.00am

Free admission (no unaccompanied children)

Voluntary donation of £1
for a sandwich and a drink

DIARY DATES for SEPTEMBER 2025

Mon 1 9.30am Morning Prayer via Zoom

Wed 3 11.00am-1.00pm Drop In to St John's

Fri. 5 9.15am Toddler & Baby group

Sunday 7 Trinity 12

10.00am Holy Communion and 'JJs'

Mon 8 9.30am Morning Prayer via Zoom

Tues 9 7.30pm PCC meeting

Wed.10 11.00am-1.00pm Drop In to St John's.

Fri. 12 9.00am Toddler & Baby group

Sat 13 1.00 - 4.0pm CHURCH OPEN to the public

Sunday 14 Trinity 13 Holy Cross Day

10.00am Holy Communion & JJs

Mon 15 9.30am Morning Prayer via Zoom

Wed. 17 11.00am-1.00pm Drop In to St John's

Fri. 19 9.00am Toddler & Baby group

Sunday 21 Trinity 14 Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist

Start of Generosity Week

10.00am Holy Communion & JJs

4.00pm Tea Time Service

Mon 22 9.30am Morning Prayer via Zoom

Wed 24 11.00am-1.00pm Drop In to St John's.

1.30-2.45pm Study Group on Luke, in church

Fri. 26 9.00am Toddler & Baby group

Sat. 27 9.00-11.00am LEGO BREAKFAST

Sunday 28 Trinity 15 End of Generosity Week

10.00am Holy Communion & JJs

Mon 29 9.30am Morning Prayer via Zoom

Wed 1 October 11.00am-1.00pm Drop In to St John's

1.30-2.45pm Study Group on Luke, in church

Fri. 3 9.00am Toddler & Baby group

Sunday 5 October Trinity 16

10.00am Holy Communion & JJs

Mon. 6 9.30am Morning Prayer via Zoom



**St John's Church
Heritage Open Day
Saturday 13 September
Open 1.00 - 4.00pm
Free Entry
Refreshments available**



St John's church has a story to tell. It is a 'treasure house' of heritage, history & community.

Inside the church and in the churchyard are carvings in stone and marble from the late 18th century. There are old wall paintings, monuments, tombs and stained glass to discover.

St John's was not all built in the same period style, so you can trace its architectural history from 1795 to today.

St John's Church also reveals the evolution of English culture, religion, local heritage, family history and stories of individual achievements, art and craftsmanship.

Follow the 'Mouse Trail' to discover more.

Take a peaceful moment to enjoy the light-filled space.

Learn something new about the building and it's community.

Watch a film about the church building, including the crypt and tower (which may not be open for visitors this year).

Spend time in the café enjoying a drink and a cake.

Speak with our volunteers if you need to know anything.

Changes at Communion



For the 5 years since Covid hit, we have been administering the bread and wine at Holy Communion using intincture: the wafer of bread is dipped in the wine and then handed to the communicant. We did this to avoid the risk of any infection being passed between communicants.

It is now a requirement for all Church of England Churches to administer the wine from a common cup and intinction is no longer permitted at all. The Staff Team only became aware of this in July, when Bishop Nick sent a letter to all the clergy in the diocese. Over the summer we have returned to giving the bread and the wine separately and we no longer intinct.

Now, when you now come up to receive communion, the celebrant will give you the wafer of bread. You are then invited to move to one side or the other to be offered the chalice Or you may simply choose not to receive wine, and just take the bread.

An important practical note.

There is not a lot of room on the dais. Please go to receive the wine from the person who is free, regardless of whether they are standing on the side of the church where your seat is or not. We appreciate that many people wish to go to the side chapel after they have received communion. If you need to cross to the other side of the dais for the chapel, please go **BEHIND** the altar. If you need to get back to your seat on the 'other side' of church, if possible please go via the side aisles and the back of church.

A Date for Your Diary

Friday 10 October

6.00pm in church

HARVEST PIE & PEA SUPPER



God of mission,
You give fresh life to St John's
Send your Holy Spirit to give
vision to our planning,
wisdom to our activities,
and power to our witness,
that we may grow
in love and commitment to you
in number of disciples
and in loving service to our neighbours
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

In need of company or some conversation?

Lonely, or just at a loose end?

Wanting some quiet space?



Each Wednesday St John's
is open 11.00am – 1.00pm

Anyone is welcome to 'drop-
in' for a cup of coffee or tea.

There will be people to chat to,
if you want some company or
some local information, but
space for quiet if that is what you
need.

You might just want a warm space to eat your lunch.

Do come along, we'd love to meet you.

Marking Generosity Week

21-28 September

We thank God for his great generosity to St John's over the last decade, and particularly since Covid. Like the leafy tree on the cover of this magazine we have grown and flourished. This has happened for several reasons:

PRAYING

Individually, and as a congregation, we have regularly used the St John's Prayer for Growth. (see page 9. It is always included in the magazine, and the weekly news sheet) God has answered that prayer in many ways, not least in sending so many wonderful people to join us. Some have brought specific gifts in music; office and technical skills; welcoming and pastoral care. But all have brought their love of God, and willingness to share in the work and worship of God in this place. Which brings us to:

BELONGING

We can only be a real community if we know and support each other, in the good times and the bad. The more we can be with each other in church the better can we get to know each other. This may be at 10.00am on a Sunday, or the 4.00pm Tea-time service; it may be the Wednesday drop-in or the Friday morning Toddler Group; it may be Messy Church or Lego Breakfast. They are all ways in which we can belong as part of St John's. If you cannot come physically on a Sunday you can belong as part of the live-stream congregation, or share the worship on-line later.

CONTRIBUTING

'House work is what you do, that no-one notices until you don't do it'.

This applies at church, as well as at home. We are so grateful to the many people whose individual contributions to St John's enable the whole church to function. You may not see what some of them do – but the church is clean; the

chairs are in the right place; there are drinks and biscuits in the kitchen; toiletries in the WCs; flyers and magazines to read; candles to light; bread and wine etc. at communion; welcome banners outside the church. More obviously we have a wonderful team of worship leaders, and people who enable welcoming, JJ's, Toddlers, Drop-in, Messy Church, study groups etc.

Without all these people's generosity with their time and talents, we could not offer what we currently do. To echo Tesco's adverts "Every little helps". And all the little contributions, and the big ones, add up to a great deal of help.

BEING GENEROUS

Besides each individual's time and talents we are also grateful for people's generosity in:

- * Welcoming everyone who comes, just as Jesus would have.
- * Looking out for people who might need some extra TLC.
- * Being tolerant when things do not go quite to plan!
- * Helping when and where they can.
- * Giving their money to support God's work at St John's.

God has been generous to us, as individuals and as a church. It is right to be generous in return, as so many of us are.

What we value we should be happy to support with money, time, talent and effort. May we measure what we give by how generous God has been to us, and give thanks for all his bounty.



Joseph Winter Lecture 2025

Wednesday 1 October

Wakefield Cathedral

Speaker: Rev. Dr Susan Durber
President, World Council of Churches.

Formerly Principal of Westminster College, Cambridge
and theological advisor to Christian Aid.

Dr Durber will speak about the 1700th anniversary
of the first Ecumenical Council of Nicea
and its significance for today.

This will link us with the world-wide celebrations
organised by the WCC

Optional Choral Evensong 5.30-6.15pm

Tea and coffee available from 6.15pm

Lecture and Q&A 7.00-8.30pm

Everyone welcome. No charge.

Your choice

One beautiful Sunday morning, a priest announced to his congregation: "My good people, I have here in my hands three sermons...a £100 sermon that lasts five minutes, a £50 sermon that lasts 15 minutes, and a £10 sermon that lasts a full hour. "Now, we'll take the collection and see which one I'll deliver."



BAPTISMS

*We welcome into
the Lord's family*

29 June Orla Mae Muriel Osborn

3 August Charlie James Vaughan Pointon

MARRIAGE

May God bless their life together

**12 July Esther Ezra Rajamori and
Martainn Ramsay**

FUNERALS

We commit to the Lord's eternal care

19 June Annette Hargreaves
(at St John's, including the Committal)

30 June Emlyn Millard
(at St John's then at the Crematorium)

15 Aug. Patricia Ward
(at St John's, including the Committal)

The oldest computer was owned by Adam and Eve. It was an Apple with very limited memory. Just 1 byte and everything crashed.

The Season of Creation

September 1st marks the beginning of the Season of Creation, a period of reflection and prayer for the environment. It ends on 4th October, the Feast of St Francis of Assisi, the patron Saint of ecology. It's an opportunity to give thanks for God's gift of creation and to renew our commitment to caring for our planet home. On Sunday 5th October we will hold a special Creation Sunday service.

A Prayer for Creationtide

Living God,

You call us to be good stewards of this earthly home,
strengthen us to care for your creation;

forgive us when, through our greed and indifference,
we abuse its beauty and damage its potential.

Empower us, through your Spirit, to so nurture and love
the world, that all creation sings to your glory. Amen.

From 'Creation Care Prayers', C of E Environment Programme.



'JJs ' (St John's Juniors)
Sundays at 10.00am

*Our Sunday morning children's group takes place **during term time**. Join us in the Samaritan Room for story, prayer and activities.*

*A fun place to learn and grow in faith.
All children 4-11 years old are welcome.*

Further details from Cath Fox on
cath.s.fox@outlook.com

Follow Me at Wakefield Cathedral

Everyone is invited to share worship, food and fellowship and to learn more on a particular faith subject.

Thursday 18th September
Bishop Malcolm Chamberlain

This is a relaxed opportunity to get to know the new Bishop Of Wakefield, Malcolm Chamberlain. He will be interviewed by Canon Philip Hobday and then answer questions from the audience

The evening begins with Evensong at 6.30pm (optional).

Food is served from 7.15pm (people must book in advance, for catering purposes, if they wish to eat supper. See below).

The Follow Me interview is 7.45pm - 9.15pm. and open to everyone, with no booking required

To book for food please contact Caroline Asquith on:
e-mail caroline.asquith@leeds.anglican.org
or ring 07776 963653



Deidre is very grateful for the jam jars she has received. If you have any more jam jars with lids, for jam, marmalade etc. for the Christmas Fayre, please leave them in the reception area, or give to her. If, in the next two months, you happen to have a glut of fruit suitable for jam please ask Deidre if she can use some of it.

St John's School Page

'Growing together, becoming all that we are created to be'.

Our school vision is rooted in the parable of 'The Mustard Seed' where children, staff and our school community can flourish and reach their individual potential.

'Though it is the smallest of all seeds, when it grows, it is the largest of garden plants and becomes a tree, so that the birds come and perch in its branches.' Matthew 13:32.

Our vision is underpinned by the values of:
'nurture, learn, succeed, together'.

I am proud to be the Headteacher of this wonderful school.

St. John's CE (VA) J&I School is a welcoming, friendly and supportive school which places the children at the centre of everything we do. We believe all our children are special. They all have gifts and talents and we aim to provide a high quality education within a caring Christian environment which will help them to succeed and grow.

Our 'school family' culture ensures that parents, carers, governors, staff and pupils work together to enable all pupils to achieve: academically, personally, socially and spiritually. We expect our children to work hard, make good educational progress and be proud of their achievements. We believe that the focus of good quality education is to support pupils in becoming lifelong, motivated learners and independent thinkers, ready to take on any challenge!

We pride ourselves in having a loyal and committed staff team who work extremely hard to equip children with the enthusiasm, confidence, self-belief and skills to become all that they can be. We want them to have special and happy memories of their time at our school.

Helen Findlay
Headteacher

The tale of the RICH FOOL



JESUS OFTEN TOLD
STORIES WITH
HIDDEN MEANINGS



ONE STORY WAS ABOUT A MAN
WHO HAD LOTS OF LAND WHICH
GREW WONDERFUL WHEAT.

I HAVEN'T ANYWHERE TO
KEEP ALL THIS FOOD



I KNOW! I'LL PULL DOWN
MY BARN AND BUILD
BIGGER ONES



THE MAN DEMOLISHED HIS
OLD BARN...

...AND BEGAN TO BUILD
NEW ONES.



SOON I'LL BE THE RICHEST
MAN IN THE TOWN!



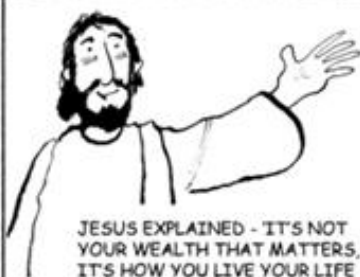
I'M SO LUCKY - I CAN
EAT, DRINK AND BE
MERRY!



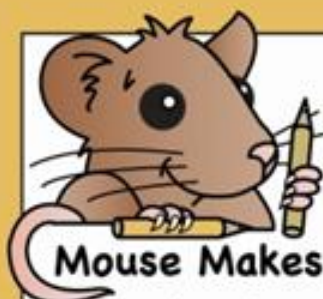
BUT THAT VERY NIGHT,
THE MAN DIED!



WHAT GOOD WERE HIS
RICHES NOW?



JESUS EXPLAINED - IT'S NOT
YOUR WEALTH THAT MATTERS,
IT'S HOW YOU LIVE YOUR LIFE
THAT'S IMPORTANT



Mouse Makes

"Let us fear and respect the Lord our God.
He gives **autumn** and **spring** rains
at the right time. He makes sure that we
have the harvest at just the right **time**."

- from Jeremiah 5:24

"God... gives you **rain** from
heaven and good harvests
at the right times. He gives
you plenty of **food** and
fills your hearts with **joy**."

- from Acts 14:16-17

"May the people **praise** you **God**...
The **land yields** its harvest, God,
our God **blesses** us."

- from Psalm 67:5-6

"**Honour** the
Lord with your
wealth and the
first part of
your **harvest**."

- Proverbs 3:9

"So the one who **plants** is not
important, and the one who **waters**
is not important. Only **GOD** is
important because He is the one
who makes things **grow**."

- 1 Corinthians 3:7

DEBREADCROPS
APLANTS SGTIME
SLOIJB PRAISE
CORNOLRAHGOD
AUDHYEIIASLS
TGROWSNNRWE
THANKSGIVING
EFUOWEYIELDS
ROTUTSILSOWO
MOURURWATERS
DMABARNPICK
SUNFIELDREAP

Find the words in **bold** type in the bible quotes in the
wordsearch then look for the words below too!

PLOUGH • FIELD • SOIL • SCATTER • SOW • SEEDS • SUN
REAP • PICK • CROPS • GRAIN • CORN • BARN • BREAD • THANKSGIVING

Learning to Pray by Example

Luke 11:1: 'Lord, teach us to pray.'

Luke tells us that the disciples asked Jesus to teach them how to pray after He had just prayed. This is very important. In His preaching Jesus had spoken about prayer; e.g. Matt. 6:5-8. He had also included prayer in His teaching; e.g. Luke 18:1.

But it was neither His preaching nor teaching on prayer that inspired this request from His disciples; it was His *example* in prayer. Also, Jesus had sent His disciples out to preach, yet their request was not, 'Lord, teach us to preach.' They had witnessed the mighty miracles that He performed and saw the astonishment of the crowds (Luke 9:43), but they did not ask Him, 'Lord, teach us to perform miracles.' No, they asked instead, 'Lord, teach us to pray.'

The disciples were beginning to learn that there was a direct link between the prayer life of Jesus and His Spirit-anointed ministry. We need go no further than what we find here in Luke's Gospel to see the consistent prayer life of Jesus. As news of His mighty ministry spread far and wide, 'great multitudes gathered to hear and be healed' (Luke. 5:15). This was 'high noon' in the ministry of our Lord and as the crowds gathered to hear Him, 'He withdrew to the wilderness and prayed' (v.16).

The next chapter tells us that Jesus made a habit of having whole nights of prayer. 'In those days He went out into the hills to pray, and He continued all night' (6:12). A little later the evangelist records that immediately following the feeding of the five thousand, the disciples were with Jesus – and He was praying (9:18). When Luke recounts the Transfiguration of Jesus, he says the Lord took Peter, John and James up the mountain 'to pray' (9:28).

Luke wants his readers to know about the prayer life of Jesus. At every step of His ministry we see Jesus praying. He prayed early in the morning before the day began; He prayed late in the evening after hours of demanding ministry; He

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prayed in secret; He prayed with His disciples, and He often prayed all night. He prayed in homes; He prayed by the roadside; He prayed on mountains; He prayed in boats; He prayed in the wilderness; He prayed in the synagogue; He prayed in the Garden of Gethsemane; He prayed on the Cross.

No wonder that Jesus' example in praying prompted His disciples to ask, 'Lord, teach us to pray.' As we read and study the life and ministry of our Lord, we will be likewise moved to ask Him, 'Lord, teach *us* to pray.'

**.Next Messy Church is
Wednesday 8th October
Put the date in your diary!**



MORE Dates for your diary!

The Wednesday Bible Studies on Luke are beginning again. They will be from 1.30 - 2.45pm in church on:

Weds 24 Sept

Weds 1 October

Weds 15 October

Weds 29 October

Weds 5 November

Weds 12 November



We will also be running the fourth Pilgrim course on The Beatitudes on Thursday evenings in the autumn. More details to follow.

Community Use of St John's Church

Wentworth St, Wakefield, WF1 2QU

The church building is fully accessible, with ramp access to the main door, and two ramps giving access to the staging.

Our accessible toilet also provides baby change facilities.

For further information, or to enquire about hiring our facilities, please e-mail: stjohn.churchbookings@gmail.com

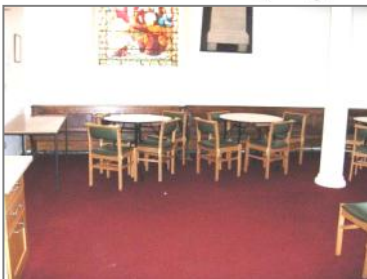
Comfortable chairs in the nave offer flexible seating for up to 200 people. There is a dais, a keyboard and a sound system. Cost is £30 an hour. WiFi, sound system, computer projection equipment, electric piano and organ can be included, subject to an additional charge, on request



The Samaritan Room has space for up to 15 people. It costs £15 an hour.



Our fully equipped kitchen opens onto café area 6 tables + 24 chairs.



The tables can be removed to make a larger, more flexible, meeting space. The café area costs £18 an hour, including the kitchen.

The kitchen costs £15 per session (half day or evening) when hiring the nave or Samaritan room.

New Beginnings

September is the time of year when we get back to our routines after the summer break. As whole-life disciples (lit: *learners*) we are all called to learn from Jesus and live like Him. God wants us to make a difference in our workplaces and schools, and with family and friends. As Paul writes:

‘And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.’ (Colossians 3:17).

‘WHATEVER you do’:

God is at work in every aspect of our lives. He can use whatever we do to make a difference to those around. Do we believe this? Our lives shouldn’t be like an orange, segmented into the sacred and secular, but more like an apple, in which all of our lives are available to Him.

‘Whatever YOU do’:

God wants to use us to share God’s love as we serve others around us, wherever we spend time. We can trust Him for the resources we need hour by hour, day by day, year by year. What do we need from Him?

‘Whatever you DO’:

We work for God alone, in responding to God’s love for us. How does this perspective make a difference when what we do is hard, unrewarding, or even unappreciated by others?

A man standing on a train platform was asked one day: *‘Who are you?’* He replied, *‘I am a Christian thinly disguised as an accountant.’*

If we were asked the same question, how would we respond?

As disciples of Jesus Christ, our identity is rooted in God and His call upon our lives. For each of us, September means learning from Jesus about how we might live for Him in the different places we find ourselves.

Paul Hardingham

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This company operates our car park, on the corner of St John's Avenue and Wentworth Street WF1 2QU. You can pay for parking on an hourly, daily, monthly basis. You pay with your mobile phone: either call 0330 333 8434 (local rate) or download the YourParkingSpace app. (available on the app store or Google play) For either method you need to enter St John's Church location ID: 11173. This ID is displayed at the car park, along with all other details. You will be advised of the rate being charged once you have input your preferred option. The car park has 24/7 monitoring of number plates. Any car parking without payment may be issued with a Parking Charge Notice, so that only paying or permitted vehicles use the area.

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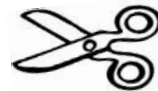
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Readings at the 10.00am Communion Service

Date	Day	1 st Reading	2 nd Reading
7 Sept.	Trinity 12	Philippians 4: 4-9	Luke 14:25-33
14 Sept.	Trinity 13	Philippians 4: 10-23	John 3: 8-17
21 Sept.	Trinity 14	2 Corinthians 4:1-6	Matthew 9:9-13
28 Sept.	Trinity 15	1 Timothy 6:6-19	Luke 16: 19-end

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are those of each writer and are not necessarily held
by the Editor, Vicar or PCC.*

Magazine Contributions

The Editor is always pleased to receive news of events, to come or which have taken place; reports of church activities; original articles, stories, etc. We cannot guarantee that they will be included, and they may be edited before inclusion.

**Please send contributions for the
October 2025 issue**

By 14 September 2025

All copy should be sent to the editor: Deidre Morris
at 263 Park Lodge Lane, Wakefield WF1 4HY

Or e-mail to: **bandmorris@btinternet.com**

Mission Statement

St John's is here to be a living, loving and serving witness to Christ; worshipping, learning and growing in our faith together, reaching out to share God's love in the community and bringing His Word to all

PARISH ACTIVITIES / ORGANISATIONS

Parish Morning Prayer Mondays at 9.30am on Zoom
A Psalm, a Bible reading and some prayers. All welcome.
The Zoom link to join in is: [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89866690323?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89866690323?wd=NHZXaEc2TkJEcFBXbmtptOE5WTEpadz09)
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Church Drop-In 11.00am—1.00pm Wednesday
Everyone is welcome to drop in for tea/coffee, a chat etc.

Toddler & Baby Playgroup 9.00-11.30am Friday in church (during term time)
A time for babies, toddlers and their carers to play and to share.

Church Choir Practice after the 10.00am service
Join us in helping to lead Sunday worship

UNIFORMED ORGANISATIONS

Purposeful activity in a structured, fun environment.

25th Wakefield Scout Group For boys and girls, held in the Scout Hut by St. John's Parish Centre.
Details: Group Scout Leader Laura Stephenson 07772869561

Rainbows

To register an interest, visit www.girlguiding.org.uk & click on join
Rainbows contact Ann Coulson – 07932394020

Sunday Services at St John's

EVERY SUNDAY

10.00am Parish Communion

There will be candle, shell and leaf prayer stations available in the side chapel.

10.00am St John's Juniors - 'JJs' - meet for story, prayer and activities in the Samaritan Room.
All 4-11 year-olds welcome. (Term time only)

We have toys and books in the café area, for younger ones, but parents are asked to supervise them at all times.

3rd SUNDAY EACH MONTH (usually)

4.00pm Tea-Time Service

For everyone: families of all shapes & sizes, singles, children, adults, young and old.

A relaxed service, with songs, activities, readings and prayers, beginning with refreshments.

We have a crèche area for the service.

4th SUNDAY EACH MONTH

In the side chapel, during communion, we offer prayer for healing, with the laying on of hands.

Everyone, of any age, is welcome at all our services.

The entrance door to the church is on the city centre / High School side of St John's Square. There is a ramp access for wheelchairs and pushchairs up to this door.

There is a fully accessible toilet at the church, and a baby-change facility.

There is an induction loop for those who use a hearing aid.

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