



St John's, Staplegrove with All Saints', Norton Fitzwarren



Benefice Survey - Your Church, Your Say!

Following the retirement of the Rev Stephen Kivett, we are looking to appoint a new Rector and would like your help. We invite you to take a few minutes to tell us what you think is important about your Church and what you would like to see happening over the next 5 years or so. It is important that we hear from everyone, not just regular churchgoers. All replies are anonymous, but results will be made public. Please consider the following questions and give us your views. These will help to inform our vision for the future of your church.

1. Where do you live?

- Norton Fitzwarren
- Staplegrove
- Other

2 How often do you come to services at St John's or All Saints'?

- Regularly; usually once a month or more
- Sometimes
- Never

If you ticked 'Sometimes', do you attend for:

- Special services e.g. Remembrance, Easter, Christmas
- Just family occasions such as baptisms, weddings, funerals
- Services - 5 to 10 times a year, or
- Fewer than 5 times a year

3. Please tick the top 5 things that you value most about your church:

- A focus for community and social events
- A peaceful, spiritual place for quiet contemplation and meditation
- A beautiful historic building
- Promotes Christian values
- A place to worship God
- Friends, family and fellowship
- Part of our culture and heritage
- Provides a sense of stability in a changing world
- Promotes a sense of belonging
- Offers opportunities to explore and deepen faith
- A place to celebrate life's events – baptisms, marriages, end of life
- Provides practical help where needed
- Music and bells
- Includes activities for young families
- A warm welcome
- Other: (Please specify)

5. What do you believe are the community's most pressing needs?

6. What concerns you most about your church?

7. Name up to three changes you would like to see happen at your church in the next 5 years.

8. About you.

It would help our understanding of your responses, if you could please complete either A) or B) below:
Use A) if you are responding just for yourself or B) as a household group giving numbers in each age category.

A) Your age and gender:

	Under 12	13-18	19-25	26-45	46-65	66-80	81 and over	Prefer not to say
Male								
Female								
Prefer not to say								

B) Household response:

	Under 12	13-18	19-25	26-45	46-65	66-80	81 and over	Prefer not to say
Male								
Female								
Prefer not to say								

Thank you for responding to this survey

Please return completed surveys to us by Sunday 17th May.

Norton Fitzwarren – Through the letterbox in the front door of Norton Fitzwarren Village Hall.

Staplegrove – Place it in the box in the Church Porch

Or scan and email to stjohnswithallsaints@gmail.com

If you would like to discuss this survey and how the responses will be used, please email: stjohnswithallsaints@gmail.com and someone will respond to you.

A summary of the main points of the survey will be presented on the Church websites and at the ‘Your Church Your Say – the Next Step’ Vision Event at St Johns Church, Staplegrove, on a date to be announced after the lifting of the ‘lockdown’ restrictions.