



NEWSLETTER WEEK COMMENCING

17th March 2024

SERVICES NEXT WEEK

6th Sunday of Lent – Palm Sunday 23rd March 2024

10 am Palm Sunday – Joint service with Kingston Methodist Church with Diddy Disciples (at St John's). Please note that service begins at KMC at 10 am, followed by a procession to St John's. Rev'd Lindiwe presiding.

5pm Junior Church.

LENT COURSE EXPLORING PRAYER

Last Lent Course session on prayer on Tuesday. You are still welcome to join us.

When: Tuesdays, at St John the Evangelist
Time: 3:00 pm – 4:30 pm

Just email me if you are interested. Everyone is welcome.



Weekly Eco-tip of the Week 🌍💚

Support local farmers and reduce your carbon footprint by shopping at farmers' markets. Buying locally grown produce not only supports small-scale farmers in your community but also reduces the emissions associated with transporting food long distances. Plus, you'll enjoy fresh, seasonal fruits and vegetables while contributing to a more sustainable food system! #SustainableLiving #EcoFriendlyTips.

LITTLE GROOVERS



THERE IS NO LITTLE GROOVERS ON TUESDAY 26TH MARCH 2024 DUE TO A SERVICE IN THE CHURCH.

The Week's Collect:

Merciful Lord,
you know our struggle to serve you:
when sin spoils our lives
and overshadows our hearts,
come to our aid
and turn us back to you again;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

MAUNDY THURSDAY

Please note that we will be joining Kingston Methodist Church and United Reformed Church at KMC, 13 Fairfield South, Kingston upon Thames, KT1 2UJ, for the Maundy Thursday service with a meal on the 28th of March 2024 at 6pm. We will share a meal, revisit the story of Jesus's last supper with his disciples, and partake in Holy Communion. Alternatively, people are welcome to join All Saints for a sung Eucharist for Maundy Thursday.

ELECTORAL ROLL

If you have been a part of our church family for six months or more, we encourage you to complete the Electoral Roll form located by the Welcome Desk. Your participation is a meaningful contribution to the life and growth of our parish.

Email: sjpccsec@btinternet.com

PCC Secretary and Electoral Roll Officer –
Luanne Higgins

ITEMS FOR NEWSLETTER

If you have an item or notice for our weekly newsletter, please ensure it reaches the parish office by 11:30 am on Wednesday. If sending by email, please include 'Newsletter' as the subject heading.



Holy Week Services

PALM SUNDAY, 24th March
10am Service will start at Kingston Methodist Church with Diddy Disciples at St John's.

MAUNDY THURSDAY, 28th March
5:45pm Departing from St. John's and join Kingston Methodist Church to commemorate Jesus's last supper with his disciples. We'll share a meal, recount the story of that evening, and together partake in Holy Communion.

GOOD FRIDAY, 29th March
10am Diddy Disciple & Junior Church -Story of Good Friday
2pm Good Friday Service of Reflection

EASTER SUNDAY, 31st March
10am Holy Communion, Diddy Disciples, Junior Church & Egg Hunt

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST
GROVE LANE, KT1 2SU
<https://www.stjohnskingston.co.uk/>
stjohnschurch.kingston@gmail.com




**Walk of
Good Friday Witness**

29th March
We gather 10am at the
Kingston United Reformed Church
for coffee and hot-cross buns.

Eden Street, Kingston KT1 1HZ

The walk will begin at 11am
All Welcome!



ALL SAINTS KINGSTON

**Evensong @ 6pm
Sermon for Lent**

March 17th Pete Greig:
Praying with the Spirit

Pete Greig is a best-selling author, pastor and founder of the global 24-7 Prayer movement. He is also the Senior Pastor of Emmaus Road, Guildford, an Ambassador for Tearfund and teaches at St Mellitus Theological College in London. His publications include *Red Moon Rising* (2004), *How to Pray: a Simple Guide for Normal People* (2019) and *God on Mute* (2020).

Join us in-person or watch via
You Tube All Saints Kingston
Services1@allsaintskingston@231



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CHURCH SPRING CLEAN 23rd March 2024 @ 10am.



During Lent we will be having a Big Spring Clean of the church. If you can spare an hour or two it would be much appreciated. Everyone is welcome. Please speak to Lindiwe or Frances or email; stjohnschurch.kingston@gmail.com

Vanessa Hamilton is running in the London Marathon

On 21st April 2024, Vanessa Hamilton will be running the London Marathon in aid of Samaritans. Every ten seconds, a Samaritans' listening volunteer takes a call from someone who is struggling to cope; who is lost, lonely, afraid and who may feel that life cannot go on. Samaritans are there 24/7 for everyone and anyone who needs someone to listen and to care. They receive no government funding are entirely reliant on donations of every size and from every source to ensure there is always someone at the end of the phone when things are tough or when it's darkest. Please consider supporting Vanessa, and Samaritans, by donating at: <http://2024tcslondonmarathon.enthuse.com/pf/Vanessa-hamilton>. And please remember that it's okay not to be okay. If you're finding things hard and want to talk to someone – even if you don't know what to say – Samaritans are just a call away on 116 123

Our amazing Gardening team comprising of Chris, Karoline and Trish who work tirelessly to keep our garden beautiful.



With spring upon us, an invitation from the St Johns Church Gardening Team to join them in the grounds. Are there any budding gardeners out there? Any newly retired members of the community looking for something different to do? Anyone who is looking to give of their time ...come and join the team. This volunteer group meets informally when time permits to tend to the grounds, weed, replant, reshape bushes, dead-head roses and more. Please email: stjohnschurch.kingston@gmail.com



SAFEGUARDING

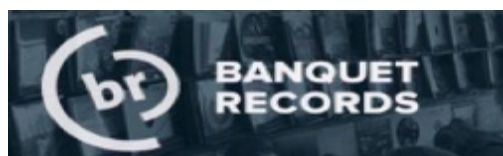
Safeguarding - everybody is responsible!
All volunteers in church are encouraged to learn basic safeguarding awareness with free online training available through the Diocese at the Safeguarding Training Portal.
Safeguarding guidance A Safe Church, particularly sections 4 & 6 are useful for everyone to know. Our Parish Safeguarding Officers (PSO's) are: **Pat Askey & Grant Vanstone**.
They can be contacted on:
Grant - 07976 822992 and Pat - 020 8546 3840 or email safeguarding.stjohnskingston@gmail.com

Student Seeking Accommodation

A Kingston University student is actively seeking accommodation for the upcoming term. He is in search of a peaceful and conducive living environment to support his studies. If you or anyone you know has a spare room available for rent, please email me: vicarstjohnskingston@gmail.com. Thank you.



UP COMING CONCERTS @ ST JOHN'S CHURCH



We would like to extend an invitation to anyone who might be interested in volunteering to join our bar team. We are grateful to all our volunteers as events like the ones above heavily rely on their dedicated support. We are always looking to add more team members to ensure smooth operations. If you are interested in helping or know someone who might be, please do not hesitate to email Michael Wraight at barstaffatstjohns@gmail.com

We are delighted to be hosting these forthcoming events presented by Banquet Records:

THE K'S



I WONDER IF THE WORLD KNOWS
New album 22nd March

Sat 23rd March - 14+
St John's Church
Kingston, KT1 2SU

Presented by
@BanquetRecords 52 Eden Street, KINGSTON, KT1 1EE



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WHERE THE WILD THINGS GROW
New album 22nd March

Thu 28th March - 14+
St John's Church
Kingston, KT1 2SU

Presented by
@BanquetRecords 52 Eden Street, KINGSTON, KT1 1EE



WHILE SHE SLEEPS

STRIPPED BACK SET



SELF HELL
New album 15th March

Thu 4th April - 14+
St John's Church
Kingston, KT1 2SU

Presented by
@BanquetRecords 52 Eden Street, KINGSTON, KT1 1EE



THE FEELING



SAN VITO
New album 12th April

Tue 16th April - 14+
St John's Church
Kingston, KT1 2SU

Presented by
@BanquetRecords 52 Eden Street, KINGSTON, KT1 1EE





GIVING TO ST JOHN'S

Huge thanks to all who support St John's through regular monthly or weekly giving. We rely on you to keep our church afloat and to help meet our £4,000 monthly contribution to the Diocese, which pays for ministry here and supports parishes with fewer resources than ours. If you would like to contribute via a monthly bank standing order or make a one-off gift, our account details are as follows:

Kingston St John's DCC

Sort code: 60-60-02

Account number: 11610220



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point the camera on your phone to the QR code below and follow the link to givealittle.co.uk. You can also find this link on our website - click on the "DONATE" button at the top right. (Please indicate if you are able to Gift Aid).



SERVICES THIS WEEK

(No live streaming on Mondays)

Mon, Tues, Wed -
Morning Prayer at 9am.

Sundays – Holy
Communion service with
Diddy Disciples at 10am.
&
1st Sundays of the
Month – All Age Holy
Communion Service at
10 am

CHURCH CONTACTS

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