



St. John's, Walton

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Notice Sheet

April 2024

Welcome to St. John's Church, especially if you are a visitor or new to our church.

Sunday Services

10am services streamed on [YouTube](#) and available to watch via the [website](#)

7 th April	
8.30am Holy Communion	Acts 4: 32-35 John 20: 19-31
10am Morning Worship	
14 th April	
10am Holy Communion	Acts 3: 12-19 Luke 24: 36b-48
21 st April	
8.30am Holy Communion	Acts 4: 5-12 John 10: 11-18
10am Morning Worship	
28 th April	
10am Holy Communion	Acts 8: 26-40 John 15: 1-8

Weekday Services

10am Wednesday (in church)	Holy Communion 1 st week of the month Morning Prayer All other weeks of the month
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ST. JOHN'S ENSEMBLE

St. John's Church, Old Chester Road, Higher Walton, Warrington, WA4 6TJ



SATURDAY 27 APRIL 2024

7:30pm

£6.00 Entry, Including Light Refreshments

Notices

The Electoral Roll

The Electoral Roll is being revised ahead of our Annual Meeting. If you wish to be on the Electoral Roll and are not on already, please complete an application form, which can be found at the back of church, and leave in the box (also at the back of church). To be eligible to join the roll, you will need to either live in the parish, or have been attending worship regularly (Wednesday or Sunday) for at least 6 months. For more information, please speak to our Electoral Roll Officer, Noel Parr, or one of the church wardens, Chris Lloyd & Tony Robins.



The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry

Friday 19th April

Arrive from 2.00pm, film starts at **2.30pm** in St John's **Community Church Hall**. Tea, coffee, and cake served in the interval. Contact **Nina** on **07840119659** to reserve your seat. Donations benefit St John's Church, Walton.

APCM Elections

At our Annual Meeting on 12th May we will be electing 4 PCC members. Please be thinking and praying about whether this is a role you could undertake.

Nomination forms will be available shortly.

Please note: To confirm that they are eligible to act as a charity trustee, all newly elected PCC members are required to sign a declaration confirming their eligibility to hold office as a charity trustee (i.e., non-disqualification under charity law) and will be asked to sign a Fit and Proper Person declaration. Also, PCC members will need to be DBS checked and to undertake online safeguarding training.

April Meetings & Events at St John's

Tuesday 2nd	1.30pm: Knit and Natter (CCH) 7.30pm: Prayer Meeting (in church vestry)
Wednesday 10th	11.30am: Prayer Group (in church)
Thursday 11th	7.30pm: Ensemble Practice (in church)
Tuesday 16th	1.30pm: Knit and Natter (CCH)
Thursday 18th	7.30pm: Ensemble Practice (in church)
Friday 19th	2.00pm: Film Club: The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry (CCH)
Thursday 25th	7.30pm: Ensemble Practice (in church)
Saturday 27th	7.30pm: Ensemble Spring Concert (in church)

Prayers

The Second Sunday of Easter (16th April)

Risen Christ, for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred: open the doors of our hearts, that we may seek the good of others and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace, to the praise of God the Father. Amen.

The Third Sunday of Easter (23rd April)

Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Fourth Sunday of Easter (30th April)

Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep: teach us to hear your voice and to follow your command, that all your people may be gathered into one flock, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Fifth Sunday of Easter (7th May)

Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The St John's Prayer Chain

As part of our Pastoral Ministry at St John's various church members form our Prayer Chain. They pray daily for those in need.

If you would like prayers to be offered on behalf of yourself or someone for whom you have a particular concern at this time, then we would be pleased to do so. We normally include a request daily for two weeks.

To arrange your request please contact one of the following people:

Gill Povey-Robins (Pastoral Worker)
on 07970 983 308

Ian Jerrard-Dinn (Lay Reader)
on 01925 265557

Keith Fletcher (Lay Reader)
on 07359 445 564



Alternatively, you can fill out a label & pin it to the prayer board in the porch.

Those we have been asked to pray for

Betty
Joyce
Luke

Ian
Linda
Richard

Jim
Lois
Sylvia

A Prayer for Peace

O God of all hope and peace, we bring to you the needs of our broken and hurting world. Our hearts are breaking with images of lives lost and torn apart by grief in Israel, Palestine, Ukraine and so many other places around the globe.

We pray for an end to violence and warfare so that the challenging work of rebuilding may begin. Help us, O Lord, to affirm our common humanity so that in our differences we may build together for justice and peace.

In Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen.



(adapted from the Church of England Website)

A Prayer for Earth Day Monday 22nd April

Holy God, earth and air and water are your creation, and every living thing belongs to you: have mercy on us as climate change confronts us. Give us the will and the courage to simplify the way we live, to reduce the energy we use, to share the resources you provide, and to bear the cost of change.

Forgive our past mistakes and send us your Spirit, with wisdom in present controversies and vision for the future to which you call us in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

(From the Anglican Church of Australia)



Prayer Groups

Members of St John's meet on the **2nd Wednesday of each month at 11.30am** in the **lady chapel** at Church for prayer. The Lady Chapel just to the left of the pulpit as you come down the aisle.

Additionally, when the Tuesday group are not meeting for bible study, there will be a prayer meeting on the **1st Tuesday evening of the month at 7.30pm** in the **church vestry**.

If you would like to join us at either meeting, please do come along.



 **0800 804 8044** A free phone line of hymns, reflections and prayers

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