Date for Your Diary:

Our new priest in Charge, Jenny Walpole's service of welcome will be on Thursday 3rd October. Save the date!!!

A Prayer for Jenny

Holy God, fill your servant Jenny with your grace; Be with her as she prepares to leave her parishes in Canterbury; Bless and guide her as she completes her M.A. As she prepares to join us make her alive to your Spirit and ready to do your will that she may lead us boldly, walk with us lovingly, share with us imaginatively and send us forth joyfully to proclaim the good news of your love in this place.

Amen

Magazine Collating Team

We urgently need to establish a small team of people to assist with the collation, stapling and folding of the church magazine once a month. Realistically this would involve no more than an hour or so once a month and if we got enough volunteers we could draw up a rota so you would only need to commit time in a morning every other month. If you might be willing to help please speak to one of our churchwardens or Hilary for more details.

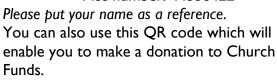
The Parish Giving Scheme:

Have you joined yet or do you need to transfer your existing standing order / direct debit to this new scheme? We are hoping a many people as possible will do this as it will enable us to manage our finances in a much more efficient and manageable way. If you have any questions, please speak to one of our Finance team or our wardens. The correct code is 370637372 Just follow this link to get to the P.G. page: www.parishgiving.org.uk and then type in the parish code above. Thank you.

Wanting to make an offering?

St George's Church bank details are: Sort code 60 - 23 - 22

Acc number: 44558422







The Parish of **St George the Martyr** Shirley

NEWSLET

27th July-3rd August 2024

Following Christ K Serving Community K Welcoming All







Sunday 28th July 2024 9th Sunday after Trinity

10.00am Sung Parish Eucharist 12.30—Holy Baptism



Monday 29th July

9.00am Morning Prayer on Zoom only

No Little Dragons—summer break

10.30-12.00 Pop-In Seniors Club

7.30pm Bible Study Group on Zoom. Contact Brian McGinnis for the zoom link and study notes dunaigh2@btinternet.com

Tuesday 30th July

9.00am Morning Prayer on **Zoom** only

Wednesday 31st July

9.00am Morning Prayer on **Zoom** only

Please note: there will not be a service in the Lady Chapel today/

3.00pm Men of George's (MoGs) meeting today

Thursday 1st August

9.00am Morning Prayer on **Zoom** only

Friday 2nd August

9.00am Morning Prayer on Zoom only.



Sunday 4th August 2024 10th Sunday after Trinity

10.00am Sung Parish Eucharist We welcome Revd Carol Coslett as our Celebrant and Preacher today

Please remember in your private prayers during the week...

... all those who live in

Aldersmead Avenue; Ash Tree Close; Ash Tree Way

... those who worship at one of the Churches Together in Shirley

The Church of God Apostolic; St. John The Evangelist (CofE); Shirley Methodist Church

...those in acute need; among them:

Gwen Paulwell; Pauline Russell; Louise Maurer; Margaret Ziolek; Alison Stiff; Mike Wilkins

...those whose need is ongoing, among them:

Ellen Maden; Paul Oates; Andy Hamilton; Ann Hobbs; Sue Moore; Jean; Mark Hare; Susan Wheeler; Karen & Andy Dovey;

Helen McMullan; Helen Aylward; David Lawn; Sonia; Christine Lutman; Lindsay Morgan; Brian Jacobs; Livingston Dallas; Maureen Fenner; Dan Pretty; Bill Gibson; Garth Smith; Elizabeth Lovell; Sheila Dennis; Julie; Brian; Dave & Shirley Ashdown; Sarah-Jane Herbert; Heidi Alsop.

...those who are no longer able to attend church:

Yvonne Harris, Pam Purkis; Yvonne Sussex; Heather Orton; Jean Wells

...any who have died recently:

Ken Pywell; Margaret Easton; Steven Beresford

...those whose anniversary of death falls soon:

Ivan Miller Haggart; Pamela Hooks; David James Edgcombe Purkis

If you would like the name of a friend or loved one included in the prayer list, please let the staff team know at vicarstgeorge@gmail.com or **020 8776 0185**

The flowers in the sanctuary have been donated and arranged by Silvia Wasalantri in loving memory of her father and grandmother.



Little Dragons

Little Dragons has had a wonderful and successful academic year. Most of the children will be going on to full-time nursery or reception class. The parents, grandparents and carers have enjoyed coming and the children have loved being part of Little Dragons. Some of them call St George's 'The Big House'! Regina would like to thank all who help prepare for and organise Little Dragons week by week. They'll be starting back on 9th September.

More Dates for Your Diary...

Church Garden Working Party, Saturday 7th September

Please join us, bringing your gardening gloves, secateurs & trowels at 10am on 7th September on the first of what we envisage will be monthly gardening mornings. Many hands make light work and together we can keep our church grounds looking beautiful. Refreshments will be provided.

Carvery Lunch, Sunday 27th October

Responding to many requests Eric Baldwin-Smith is organising a group table for the Carvery Lunch at the CDMC, Oakfield Road on the last Sunday of October. If you are interested in going or would like further information please have a word with Eric, Jan or Heather. There will be plenty of time to attend Service, have coffee afterwards and get to Oakfield Road.

Shrublands Trust Foodbank—Most Needed Items		
☐ Cereals	☐ Drinks, bottles/tins/cartons	☐ Pasta Sauces
☐ Coffee	☐ Laundry Tablets	☐ Porridge
☐ Cream crackers	☐ Marmite	☐ Toiletries
☐ Custard	☐ Meat	☐ Washing up liquid
If you would like to make a cash or cheque donation (payable to St. George's Shirley PCC), please place it in an envelope marked "Foodbank" and place it in the offertory bag during the collection. Thank you.		

EcoTip 2024 No: 80—Plan eco-friendly summer picnics

Grab yourself a reusable water bottle and coffee cup to beat the waste of 2.5 billion cups being thrown away each year. Choose reusable straws to avoid harming aquatic life, whether that be a silicone straw for the little ones or a cocktail straw for the adults. Buy a bamboo cutlery set - an essential for summer picnics and outdoor entertaining. Invest in some beeswax food wrap—clingfilm replacing wraps to keep your food from going stale, perfect for picnic foods. And to carry it all in? Buy a lovely cotton reusable tote bag.