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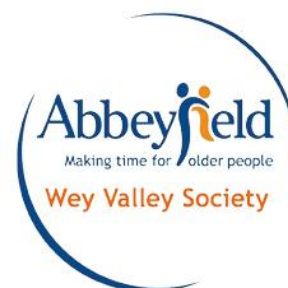


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Please note: St John's Church is currently closed during the day, unless there is a scheduled service. We will update you when we are able to re-open at other times.

Sunday services are listed on Page 2.

Services during the week:

Morning Prayer Monday to Thursday at 9am in Church.

Holy Communion on Wednesdays at 10.30am in the Merrow Hall, St John's Centre.

Evening Prayer on Fridays at 5pm in Church.

All are welcome.

OCTOBER 2026 SUNDAY SERVICES (Year A)

Sunday 4th October Harvest Festival, Green

2 Corinthians 9.6-end, Luke 12.16-30

8am BCP Holy Communion

10am All Age Worship

Sunday 11th October 19th Sunday after Trinity, Green

Philippians 4.1-9, Matthew 22.1-14

8am BCP Holy Communion

10am CW Holy Communion

Sunday 18th October Luke the Evangelist, Red

2 Timothy 4.5-17, Luke 10.1-9

8am BCP Holy Communion

10am CW Holy Communion

Sunday 25th October Last Sunday after Trinity, Green

1 Thessalonians 2.1-8, Matthew 22.34-end

8am BCP Holy Communion

10am CW Holy Communion

4pm All Souls Service

Sunday 1st November All Saints' Day, White/Gold

1 John 3.1-3, Matthew 5.1-12

8am BCP Holy Communion

10am All Age Worship

Wednesday Holy Communion will be weekly at 10.30am in Merrow Hall

WELCOME TO OUR OCTOBER MAGAZINE!

Last month we held our Heritage Festival, joining with the Heritage weekend across Guildford. Our festival included tours of the church bell tower and some of our precious church possessions were on display for visitors to see. It was lovely to see some new faces visit St John's. Many thanks to Gordon and the Friends of St John's for masterminding such an excellent weekend.

October includes our All Souls' service on Sunday 25th October at 4pm. At this service we will gather to remember those whom we love but see no longer and it marks the beginning of the season of Remembrance, which finishes with Remembrance Sunday on 8th November.

Looking ahead, at the end of November we will begin the season of Advent. Each liturgical year (which begins on Advent Sunday) at St John's we have a particular subject we focus on, to help us grow in our faith. This year we have been focusing on diversity. In the past we have focussed on community, fundraising and discipleship.

Starting on Advent Sunday, our focus for the liturgical year will be on prayer. We will have various activities during the year to aid our focus, including a sermon series on prayer and on some Saturday mornings we will offer 'prayer and pastries' in church. I hope we will also have a WhatsApp group for prayer, with weekly updates to keep us all praying.

In September we also received the results of the community consultation regarding the amalgamation of our church school with Merrow Junior school. The consultation showed that the community wished the new school to be a Church of England Primary School. However, the county council are now seeing if it is feasible to place both Infant and Junior schools on the junior school site without amalgamating them. This will take time and places more stress upon the leadership teams at both schools. May I ask you to continue to hold our church school, Merrow CofE Infant school, in your prayers as they continue to navigate through this complicated time for the staff, pupils and parents there. Their future is not certain but knowing we are praying for them will bring them comfort and the energy to keep going. With good wishes

Tim

The front page of this month's magazine reminds us of Harvest – St John's Harvest Festival is on Sunday 4th October at 10am, with Harvest Lunch following afterwards.

Thank you very much to **Chantries & Pewleys** for sponsoring our colour magazine cover again this year.



ST JOHN'S WOMEN-IN-FELLOWSHIP

Women in Fellowship upcoming Events:

Saturday 10th October - 8.30 am

Breakfast & talk from the Shooting Star Children's Hospices

Thursday November 5th 2pm – 4pm

Visit to the Spike (St Luke's workhouse) with refreshments

Saturday 5th December – Christmas themed craft afternoon.

If you wish to know more about the Women-In-Fellowship or the events, please contact Carole Burtonwood carole.burtonwood@saintjohns.org.uk or Lindsay Dobson treasurer@saintjohns.org.uk



ST JOHN'S MEN-IN-FELLOWSHIP

Autumn/Winter 2026 Calendar of Events

Your Men-in-Fellowship team has been busy planning events for the next few months and here's a summary of what's coming up...



- Thursday 15th October (18.30)
 - Evening games entertainment at Mulligan's (crazy golf and electro shuffle) followed by pizza at a local restaurant
- Saturday 7th November (evening)
 - Pub Social Night with a curry aimed at new and established members
- Thursday 10th December (morning & lunchtime)
 - A local walk followed by Christmas Pub Lunch together

Please save the dates and we hope you can join us. More details will follow, meanwhile contact Robert robertavis@raavis.plus.com or Richard Richard.burtonwood@saintjohns.org.uk if you need more information.

FORTHCOMING MAGAZINE INFORMATION

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WEDNESDAY COFFEE CLUB

Coffee club is back and open for business 10.15am every Wednesday up until Christmas.

As a private venture, after the two very successful meets during the Summer, I am trialling a monthly meet at a pub for the 3 months leading up to Christmas.

More details to follow. Please let me know if you are interested in coming.

We are also taking bookings to see an amateur production of Beauty & the Beast on Saturday 12th December at 3pm, which is always very enjoyable. Oh no it's not etc! Tickets are £23.00 and you will need to arrange your own transport. Please contact me if you want to buy tickets.

Hope to see soon, Gerald.

Should you have any queries, please contact me on my e-mail merrowcoffeemorning@hotmail.com or ring me on 07545256114

PET SERVICE

On Sunday 13th September we held our third annual Pet Service! This was the best turn out yet with 14 dogs, 2 rabbits and 2 tortoises... oh and their humans. It was a lovely service where we gave thanks for our companions, and each had the opportunity to come forward for a blessing. Those who did not have a pet to bring brought their cuddly toys to give thanks for the wonderful animals of creation.



"October" by [Edgar A Guest](#)

Days are gettin' shorter an' the air a keener snap;
Apples now are droppin' into Mother Nature's lap;
The mist at dusk is risin' over valley, marsh an' fen
An' it's just as plain as sunshine, winter's comin' on again.

The turkeys now are struttin' round the old farmhouse once more;
They are done with all their nestin', and their hatchin' days are o'er;
Now the farmer's cuttin' fodder for the silo towerin' high
An' he's frettin' an' complainin' 'cause the corn's a bit too dry.

But the air is mighty peaceful an' the scene is good to see,
An' there's somethin' in October that stirs deep inside o' me;
An' I just can't help believin' in a God above us, when
Everything is ripe for harvest and the frost is back again

ST JOHN'S SUNDAY 10AM LIVESTREAMED SERVICE

Our Sunday 10am livestreamed service has moved from Facebook to **YouTube**.

If you wish to watch the livestream then you should go to our website and click on the red box at the top right. That will then show you a page which has our logo on it.

If the logo is framed in **RED** then the livestream is working.

BISHOP'S PRAYER NETWORK

Bishop Paul has made intentional prayer one of his three foci as our Acting Bishop and has invited all those willing to pray with him for our diocese to join the Bishop's Prayer Network. This will entail receiving a prayer bulletin every two months, invitations to pray online with Bishop Paul, should you so wish, six times a year and to join him in two half-nights of prayer. All are welcome to join at www.cofeguildford.org.uk/prayernetwork

GUILDFORD FOOD BANK AT HARVEST FESTIVAL



Guildford Food Bank are asking for our support this year to ensure they have the stock and funds to see them through to the end of the year. Support from churches over the past years has been really valuable in ensuring they are able to serve families in need as we move into winter. They are asking for donations of either food, toiletries and household cleaning items or money. The simplest way to give financially is via [JustGiving](#). Financial donations help to balance stock levels and pay for home energy advice and support for food bank clients.

For food donations, the golden rules are: long-life, not fresh and in date please.

Guildford Food Bank's clients are very aware that they are being supported by the local community and they, and all who work at the food bank are so grateful for any support that you can give all through the year as well as at this time.

Our donation box is in the church centre by the parish office and is there all year, accessible every morning.

Many thanks from the Food Bank Team.

Items requested by the Food Bank for harvest donations.

- Pasta sauce
- Tea
- Tinned tomatoes
- Instant noodles
- Washing Up Liquid
- Deodorant

VIEW FROM THE PEWS (1)

One of the most intelligent men I've known said that he could only rarely remember the subject matter of sermons. I have a similar problem. Sermons at St Johns are excellent - cogently reasoned and well delivered. The fault is mine that I do not seem to derive long term spiritual nourishment from them. Individual sermons stay in the mind, two in particular. I remember well Rona's moving description of the hen that died while successfully sheltering her chicks under her wings during a fire, illustrating God's protective and sacrificial caring for us. In a different vein Robert's translation of the Lord's prayer into Yorkshire dialect made a big impact, achieving the almost impossible task of stimulating fresh thoughts about the meaning of the words. Much thought and effort go into every sermon that is delivered. I just hope that the cumulative effect on me of truths repeated from the lectern is greater than I realise.

Chris Starr

REGULAR GIVING AT ST JOHN'S

Do you give to St John's in the collection pouch on Sundays, or use the card machine at the back of church? If so, would you consider giving regularly by direct debit instead? Having the regularity of giving helps us considerably in terms of planning and budgeting, and it is easier for you too! If you are interested to find out more, please scan this QR code or speak with Tim, or our Treasurer, Lindsay Dobson (giftaid@saintjohns.org.uk).



VIEW FROM THE PEWS (2)

Tricia and I recently returned from Devon having stayed in a bustling, rural village on the edge of Dartmoor. Before leaving Merrow, Tricia had contacted the bell ringing Tower Captain to arrange a potential visit on practice night. At the appointed hour she walked, with some trepidation, to the church and when she returned about an hour later to

meet me in the pub opposite, she was so pleased to have rung one of the 8 bells with such a welcoming and friendly group of local people. A while later when the ringers all gathered afterwards for their regular drink and (free!) bowl of chips in the pub opposite, we really felt at home in their company and a small, albeit temporary, part of the wider church and village community. Chatting to another local couple, they come to the pub for a drink and a bite to eat every Tuesday evening just to hear and enjoy the bells, and in our small world it turned out that one of the ringers had attended St Peter's school a few decades earlier and another had lived in Guildford: both knew St John's.

Our own bell ringers in Merrow are an equally friendly and encouraging team and it occurred to me that this sort of broad community engagement, outside of regular Sunday services, is a vital and integral part of life particularly in rural areas though equally in more urban settings. This made me ponder the other activities going on in churches such as ours, providing this valuable outreach and sense of belonging in our busy world. The answer in the case of St John's is of course very broad with the numerous toddlers, children's and youth initiatives that Georgie organises, the Men in Fellowship, Women in Fellowship, The coffee club, Friends of St John's and our strong links with local schools to name but a few.

The experience in Devon was wonderful and served to reaffirm how important the role of a church can and should be, in providing a sense of belonging and community. The words in our vision at St John's sound like a blueprint for churches in our world today. "A place for the whole community to know God's love, grow in faith and live in hope". And even more uplifting when you can hear the bells in the pub next door!

Peter Tappin, September 2026

We mentioned in last month's magazine that Pat was celebrating her 100th birthday in September. Here she is with her card from HRH King Charles III and Queen Camilla.



ST JOHN'S RECIPE BOOK

We are looking to create a recipe book from our amazing community to sell at various church events during the year. So, we need your help! Do you make a fantastic flapjack, a superb soup, a perfect Paella, or marvellous Moussaka? We would

love to have your recipes! Please go to

<https://forms.churchdesk.com/f/E0W5wyV31u> or use the QR code to access the form to send us your recipe! We would ideally love all the recipes in by the end of October and then keep an eye on the Parish Magazine or church newsletter to see when we go to print!



MRS NATALIE PEACOCK

Headteacher of Merrow C of E Infant School 1981 to 1994

Natalie sadly died at a great age early in September after a period in a care home. She is remembered affectionately by those who knew her within the school community, staff, children and parents and oversaw significant changes and progress.

Merrow C of E was a small First School before the arrival of Merrow Park estate but a big increase in pupil numbers, necessitated a well-appointed large extension which was started around the time that Natalie arrived; the new buildings opened circa 1983. In 1988 the government introduced 2 significant changes, the National Curriculum whereby what schools taught became far more prescriptive, and Local Management of Schools that moved financial and administrative control from local councils to individual headteachers and governing bodies. In the 1990's Surrey County Council implemented a massive reorganisational change to the Age of Transfer which caused Merrow C of E to become an infant school where children moved up to junior school after Year 2.



Natalie, with her supportive team, managed all this upheaval whilst continuing to provide the nurturing environment in which children thrived. Merrow children were given a very happy and fulfilling start to their education in gorgeous surroundings, and we have and truly value special memories of those years, enriched by kindness and delight under her calm leadership.



ABOUT OUR CATHEDRAL... In October...

Whilst recently contemplating a plain piece of glass in one of our Cathedral's main doors (the carved replacement panel has still not been installed), I looked out on to an expanse of brown, sun scorched grass and wondered if it would ever be green again.

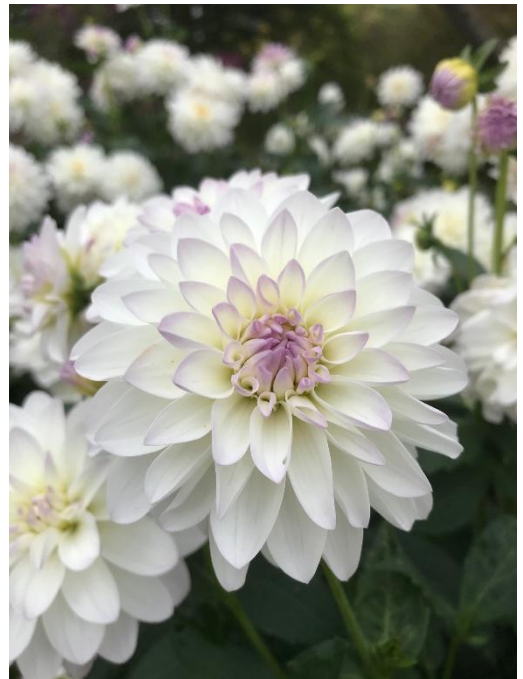
That was last month but after some welcome rain the green has slowly begun to return. At that moment I realized how important colours are in my life. We are, of course, now entering the most naturally colourful time of the year as autumn approaches. Soon there will be deep reds and browns and purples as leaves change colour; as I look out now I can see them starting to turn on the tree opposite. I stepped out on to the hot, grey steps in front of our Cathedral as the pitiless sun made waves of heat reflect from the red brick walls behind me. I turned left and along as the beige, carved figures set into the walls appeared to fade and retreat into their alcoves and the heavy metal side door looked like melting dark brown chocolate.

I contemplated the view of the surrounding hills shimmering in the distance all under an endless, azure sky. Famous photographer William Eggleston mixed bold and vivid colours. Frequently, he made them deliberately clash. Of course, nature does the same, mixing blues with greens and yellows and reds with pinks. Picture the early morning sun shining through St John's stained glass as it moves imperceptibly across the interior white walls as the different colours blend together. Today the sky is shades of grey.

I re-entered the Cathedral through a side door. It was beautifully cool and there were pale greens and golds of the hangings and splodges of colour from the stained glass, but all was easy on the eye. I love colour but the muted shades inside our Cathedral that day were a welcome relief from the ferocious dazzle outside.

GARDENING HINTS FOR OCTOBER

At last the temperature has dropped to more normal for the time of year, but we cannot relax too much as El Nino is approaching. The nights are now drawing in and by the end of this month we can expect to have had a heavy frost blackening the Dahlias and killing off any tender plants which have been left outside. Once your Dahlias have been blackened you will need to make a decision whether to hope for another mild winter and leave them in the ground or to lift them, cut the stems down to about 6", shake off any loose soil and allow them to dry in a frost free place ready for planting again next Spring. The decision is yours.



Daffodils and Narcissi should be planted this month, leaving Tulips until next month. Having removed the summer bedding plants, the ground should now be prepared for the planting of Spring bedding plants such as For-Get-Me-Not, Polyanthus, Primrose and Wallflower ready for a colourful display next year.

Prepared Hyacinths and Narcissi "Paperwhite" should now be planted in pots ready for flowering in December and January, plant the bulbs close together almost on the surface of the compost, water and then place them in a dark place until shoots appear. They should then be brought into warm light conditions to bloom. Always plant Hyacinths of the same colour if you want them to flower at the same time.

On dry sunny days seeds of annuals can be collected for sowing again in the Spring. Now is a good time to sow Sweet Peas under glass, ready for planting out in the Spring.

Climbing and Rambler Roses can still be pruned, reduce the height of Bush Roses to minimise root damage caused by wind rock. Now is a good time to lift and divide large clumps of perennials as they die back.

October is an ideal month to plant trees and shrubs so that they get the maximum amount of water during the winter months.

Aqualdulse Broad Beans should be sown towards the end of the month to provide an early crop in the Spring before Black Fly takes hold.

Potatoes should be lifted by now and the ground cleared to remove small tubers which could cause disease next year.

Lift and divide Rhubarb plants which have been in place for five years or longer before they decline in vigour, retaining only the outermost portions.

Now is a good time to sow grass seed and to lay turf whilst the soil is moist and the weather mild. The lawn should now be scarified and aerated and a winter dressing applied when rain is forecast.

John Boon

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Fridays	3pm Choir Practice

OTHER DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

(in the Centre unless mentioned otherwise)

October

Sat 3 rd	Churchyard Tidy-up 9.30 am
Sun 4 th	Harvest Lunch
Sat 10 th	Women-in-Fellowship breakfast
Sun 11 th	Sparks 5-11s group – during 10am service in church
Sun 18 th	Inter-Church 4pm in church
Sun 25 th	Sparks 5-11s group – during 10am service in church

November

Sun 1 st	All Saints Day – All Souls
Sun 8 th	Remembrance Sunday
Fri 13 th	Quiz Evening
Sun 15 th	Inter Church
Fri 27 th	Friends of St John's Wine Tasting



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