

NOTICES

Future developments at St John's: Thank you to all those of you who took the time to complete the "have your say" form. Your responses have been very helpful as we draw up the profile document: they demonstrate what a caring and outward looking congregation we have at SJ.

May Café & Mini-market: We are delighted to report that we raised an amazing £755 at the mini-market last Sunday – the refreshment team were especially busy! A big thank you to everyone who helped and supported the event. It was very good to welcome the considerable number of people who came in to enjoy the church itself, and the peace of the Lady Chapel, rather than the market.

St. John's Wives Group Meeting: An invitation to the Wives' Group meeting in church at 7pm, on Monday 13 May, we are having an art/craft session to help with some of the well-dressing decorations. Tea/Coffee & biscuits provided. Hope to see you there Alison H & Jan S

Christian Aid Week: St John's will be supplying collectors in town on Monday 13 May - please sign up to help collect; 2 chairs and a table will be provided along with tabards, and all collecting materials. Times are one and half hour slots; the 12.30pm - 2pm and the 2pm-3.30pm are still free. Lois will take everything down at 3.30pm. Please contact Lois with offers of help. Envelopes will be available in church, but do remember you can donate online at christianaid.org.uk

APCM Sunday 19 May: The meeting will take place in church after the service. There are some vacancies on the PCC. If anyone is interested, please talk to Angela Pater or Peter Connew in advance.

The single candle on the altar at St John's: In recognition of so many suffering people, we now have one single white candle burning on our altar. Our prayer remains fervent for a resolution of all these conflicts.

Frome Foodbank - stocks remain very low: All help gratefully received Thank you.

DIARY DATES

Thurs 23 May	2-4pm Craft & Cake (BC)
Sat 25 May	9.30am Well Blessing
Sun 26 May	12.00pm Wedding
Tues 28 May	11am Julian Meeting
Fri 31 May	2pm Hospital Service
Sun 2 June	11am-2pm Café & Mini Market
Wed 5 June	6.30pm <i>Inspired to Read</i> Book Club (BC)

THE PARISH OF FROME, ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, BA11 1PL

Following the retirement of Revd Colin Alsbury, the Parish is in Vacancy.
Please contact the Parish Office with all queries.

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SUNDAY 12 MAY 2024

Seventh Sunday of Easter

8.45am Morning Service via Zoom

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Meeting ID: 875 6469 6231 Passcode: 4T83jZ

9.00am Service at St Mary's

9.45am Holy Communion

Celebrant: Revd Charlie Peer, Acting Archdeacon of Wells

Monday 13 May

Christian Aid collection in Westway Precinct
7.00pm St. John's Wives Group meeting

SJ

Friday 17 May

6.30pm Choir Practice

SUNDAY 19 MAY 2024

Pentecost

8.00am Service at Christ Church

8.45am Morning Service via Zoom

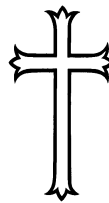
9.45am Holy Communion - Celebrant: Revd Ian Pearson

11.00am APCM after the service

Seventh Sunday of Easter (Year B)

COLLECT

Risen, ascended Lord, as we rejoice at your triumph, fill your Church on earth with power and compassion, that all who are estranged by sin may find forgiveness and know your peace, to the glory of God the Father. **Amen**



FIRST READING: Acts 1.15-17, 21-end

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred and twenty people) and said, 'Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus— for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.'

So one of the men who have accompanied us throughout the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.' So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, 'Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.' And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

This is the word of the LORD, **Thanks be to God**

SECOND READING: 1 John 5.9-13

If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

This is the word of the LORD, **Thanks be to God**

GOSPEL READING: John 17.6-19

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord

'I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me.

I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.

This is the Gospel of the LORD. **Praise to you, O Christ**