

St James' & St John's Monthly Herald

September 2022

Minister's Note

On Sunday 18th September, we will be welcoming a speaker from Compassion UK at both St James' and St John's. At St John's, there has been a link with Compassion for a number of years; at St James', this is the beginning of a similar link. The strapline of Compassion is 'Releasing children from poverty in Jesus' name'. This is done through child sponsorship, which allows individuals to develop a relationship with a child, and to give that child opportunities in relation to education and other benefits, which they would otherwise not receive.

This video shows the story of Francisco in Colombia, who was sponsored through Compassion: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UrV5phMxAYI</u>

This one shows the story of Henuice in the Philippines: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OSRnXD_MMQ4

And this one gives an update of Compassion's work throughout the world: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=euMJSxWa9wQ

You will also be able to access these videos through our church Facebook pages. But whether or not you are able to watch the videos, do make it a priority to be in church on Sunday 18th September to learn more about the work of Compassion, and how you can be involved.

Regular Services

St James' Church

Sunday at 11.00am			
4th September	Sunday Worship	11th September	Holy Communion
18th September	Sunday Worship	25th September	Holy Communion
St John's Church			
Sunday at 4.00pm			
4th September	Sunday Worship	11th September	Holy Communion
18th September	Sunday Worship	25th September	Holy Communion

Every Wednesday at 10am

Midweek Communion (a said service, using the 1984 Church in Wales' Book of Common Prayer)

Dates for your Diary

St James' Church

Wednesday 21st September - **Church Council Meeting**, 7.30pm in the Hall Thursday 6th October - **Christians Together in Wrexham Autumn Quarterly Meeting**, 7.30pm Saturday 15th October - **Prayer Breakfast**, 9.00 – 10.30am at St James'

St John's Church

Saturday 3rd September - Bring and Share BBQ, 4.00pm onwards

Monday 5th September - Church Council Meeting, 7.15pm

Tuesday 13th September - **An Evening with Paul Jones and Fiona Hendley**, 7.30pm Tickets £5.00 (includes a free drink) from Sarah, or any of the Anglican churches in Wrexham, or online at: <u>https://tinyurl.com/PaulandFiona</u>. Paul and Fiona will be speaking about how faith in God has changed their lives, and entertaining us with some music. A great opportunity to bring family and friends!

Saturday 17th September - **Prayer Breakfast,** 9.00 – 10.30am in Church; come along to pray for both our churches, as well as other matters on your heart.

Elsewhere

Thursday 15th September - Mission Area Conference, 7.00 for 7.15 pm at St Giles'

For Prayer

Continue to pray for the **Evening with Paul Jones and Fiona Hendley**; that their testimony that evening will be heard by many non-believers, and that those who hear come to a saving faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. Pray for the practical arrangements for the evening, and for those you have invited or intend to invite to come along.

Pray for those who will be going off to University for the first time this month, including members of both our churches. Pray that they will quickly settle and find their feet, that they will make friends and get their studies off to a good start. And pray that through all this, their relationship with the Lord will continue to deepen and grow, and that they will find a church family where they will be nurtured.

<u>A prayer written by Gabriella Samaty, who works as a photojournalist with Compassion in Togo</u>: Merciful God, our Lord and Father, I come before your throne of grace during this time of global food crisis. You are the greatest provider of all times, so Lord, I pray for food provision for each and every household currently in need. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

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