

Two Funerals in St John's

Peter and Grace Burrett were long standing members of the 9am service and of the monthly James Wilks communion service . Peter, sadly, died last week in The Great Western Hospital . He and Grace had been married for almost 67 years, and have known one another since the age of fourteen.

Peter's funeral service will be held in St John's on Tuesday July 13th at 2.30 pm. We send our condolences to **Grace, Paul, Gaynor and Amanda**.

It will be the second funeral service that day. A service for **June Matthews** will take place at 10am that morning. Please feel free to come to both services and remember these two St John's members with us.



Sunday
4th July 2021
Trinity 5

Please pray for our church family

Mon	Barbara Tonkin
Tue	David & Lizzie Tunley, Bethany & Isaac
Wed	Mary & Neil Turner
Thurs	Tom & Heather Vandamme, Abbie & Rhydian
Fri	Bernadette Walman
Sat	Edna Webb
Sun	Jan & Gary Welham

Prayers:

- ***Wisdom** for the Government as they make decisions about reducing restrictions.
- ***Good** weather for our Outdoor Services.
- ***Funeral** Services for June Matthews and Peter Burrett
- ***Uganda's lockdown** to reduce the number of Covid cases so that people can return to making a living.

No Zoffee Today

How To Be Your Own Worst Enemy



Services Next Week

11th July	9 am	Holy Communion in church	Raymond Adams
	11am	Outside if Dry	Raymond Adams

Time	Service	Sermon	Readings
9.00 am	Holy Communion in Church	Raymond Adams	Psalm 27:1-14
11.00 am	Outdoor Worship	Raymond Adams	Philippians 4:10-13

Outside Worship.

We had a great service on Sunday. We worshipped and we sang!

The wind blew but it didn't rain! Our aim is to worship outside in our car park for the next three Sundays.

On Sunday July 25th, the day we expect to be allowed to come into church for the 11am service, Raymond and a number of others will be away.



Weather not guaranteed!

So we will run two final online services at 11am on July 25th and on August 1.

We will opening the church for services at 11am from Sunday August 8.

We plan to have a Gentle Re-opening from that date onwards. We will be holding All Age services throughout the month of August and the sliding doors will remain open to allow people plenty of space.

We had some technical difficulties with getting the online service on to youtube this week. Hopefully this week we will be more successful and get it up on the same day.

We will be aiming to hold a Back To Church Sunday on September 12th with children's work starting the following week on Sunday September 19th. By that time, we expect that a high percentage of the church will have been vaccinated twice. Please come along and worship with us on Sunday.

Working with Morrisons for Disadvantaged Children



After running a Seeds of Hope campaign in Swindon at Easter, giving out two and a half million sunflower seeds nationally along with gardening materials, Morrisons has taken the initiative to provide meals for disadvantaged children over the summer. Simon Raisey, the store's community champion, is working with local schools. He needs a venue—and as many volunteers as we can gather. Simon is actively recruiting in the local community because there will be A LOT of parcels to sort.

St John's will be open from 10.30 am on Thursday July 22 where we can join members of the community in preparing parcels for distribution. More next week. For now, please put the date in your diary

"Jesus Christ went about doing good..." (Acts 10:38)

We aim to follow Christ's example and do the same. James and Chris have organised the following gifts from the congregation for educational and medical projects in Uganda.



One gift has gone to Bwaziba school. We have supported from this primary school from the very beginning of our relationship with Luweero, and in partnership with St Francis School, enabled them to overcome a serious landslip two years ago which came close to closing the school for good. St Francis' school are now very active partners with us in this venture.

Balitta is a school for blind children. Blind children are seen as important in Uganda, but finance is an ever present issue. So we aim to relieve the pressure.

Some weeks ago, we had a report in the bulletin from the wonderful Sanyu Babies' Home. They look after babies who have been abandoned in the city often by young mums on their own or people in severe financial distress. How hard must life be for someone who needs to leave their baby to be found?



Kiwoko Medical Staff

A gift has also gone to Kiwoko Hospital. In addition to medical care for patients, Kiwoko offers placements for medical, nursing, midwifery and physiotherapy students. The hospital community provides an environment in which students from both Europe and Africa are able to gain invaluable experience of healthcare as well as experiencing personal and spiritual growth.



We also have long standing relationships Blind William, as he is known in his homeland. We have provided an income for him over many years. We intend to continue.

Bishop Eridard and Jane are building for their retirement. In view of our twenty year relationship, PCC wanted to give a one-off gift to allow them to finish that work.

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