

Please pray for our church family	
<b>Mon</b>	Aman & Eunis Ng
<b>Tue</b>	Carolyn Pegler and Family
<b>Wed</b>	Margaret Poulton
<b>Thurs</b>	Julian & Win Priddle
<b>Fri</b>	Allan & Denise Rees and Family
<b>Sat</b>	Anna Richardson & Matthew
<b>Sun</b>	Kath Ridley & Harry

**Prayers**

**For the FF&G** as they consider how we can reduce our energy bills as a church.

**For Lesley Mead** who has broken her leg and is in a wheel-chair. Lesley needed major surgery on her leg on Thursday as the bone wasn't healing as it should. Please pray for a swift and complete recovery.

**For those planning for the Light Party.**

**For Abundante Vida (p2)** and the Brazilian churches in Swindon.

**For those who find themselves alone,** and needing friends.

**For Brenda** who is out of hospital as she copes with her new life.



**Sunday  
August 21,  
2022**



**“It’s always raining in my head.”**

**Those Scary Energy Bills!**

Whatever happens in private homes, churches will face huge increases in fuel bills this winter. We had a serious shock in the spring when we opened the envelope from our fuel company.

**The Finance, Fabric and Governance Committee (FF&G)** will look at ways in which we can keep our fuel costs down this winter at their meeting on September 5<sup>th</sup>. Please pray for practical wisdom for the members of the FF&G.



**Services for Next Sunday**

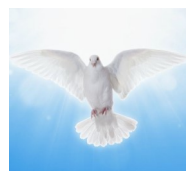
<b>August 28th</b>	9am	<b>Holy Communion</b>	Raymond Adams
<b>Trinity 11</b>	11am	<b>All Age Worship</b>	Raymond Adams

Time	Service	Sermon	Readings
9.00 am	Morning Prayer	Raymond Adams	2 Corinth 5: 16-17
11.00am	Holy Communion - All Age	Raymond Adams	Romans 12: 1-2

## Confirmation

**Being part of a preparation group** is one of the best ways to come to a decision about whether or not to take this important step. We never assume that everyone who joins has already decided to be confirmed. We understand that you are still exploring.

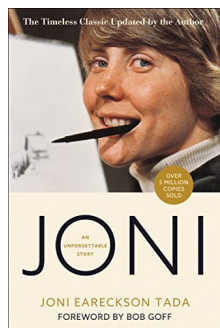
We will be running a group on **Sunday evenings from 6.30-7:45 pm** in September and October. Experience has shown this is the best time to get young people together.



**Please let Sharon, our parish administrator know** if you have someone in your household who would like to be part of this group.

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## Joni—An Unforgettable Story



Last week we celebrated **Joni Eareckson Tada** who was transformed in a single minute from an athletic teenager to a girl whose four limbs were all affected by paralysis. Forty years later, having come through the experience of depression and loss, to deep faith and trust in God, Joni paints beautiful pictures with her mouth, writes, speaks and provides wheelchairs for disabled children all over the world. The book is available on Amazon.

## Abundante Vida!

**This is Portuguese for “Abundant Life”** and is the name of the Brazilian Church which meets in our church on a Saturday afternoon / evening. The service is in Portuguese and the church aims to reach the Portuguese speakers of our town. It is not the only one. A Brazilian church also worships in *The Deanery School* in Wichelstowe.



## The Good Afternoon Choir

**Your Local Community Choir** is going to start meeting in St. John’s Haydon Wick every Thursday from 1pm to 3pm. It will be led by Sarah Summers.



**Sarah Summers**  
Leader

**This is not a church initiative.** The choir is simply a tenant of the PCC. But we are very happy to make the building available to the local community for this venture. Like the Craft Club in last week’s bulletin, the choir provides an opportunity for people to meet others doing something they all like.

**There is no charge for your first visit**, so come along and try it for free. The good news is that you don’t have to pass a musical test to join the choir—there are no auditions! Just turn up and join in

### GRENVILLE JONES - Founder and Musical Director

**The Good Afternoon Choir was started by Grenville Jones** in May 2009 with the very first *Bath Good Afternoon Choir*. Over the years that followed, more *Good Afternoon Choirs* were introduced and now there are over 20 across the West Country with more planned for later this year.

**He has appeared on BBC’s *Children in Need*** and has raised thousands of pounds for various charities across the UK in the last 25 years.

**Grenville was born in Purton** and Singing was always part of his Methodist upbringing. He used to have a tenor voice but says that many years of choir conducting have strained his voice to a poor bass.

**Dee Howard is not an official representative** of the organisation—but she is very enthusiastic about the choir and would be happy to answer any questions anyone might have. Enjoy!

[www.goodafternoonchoir.org](http://www.goodafternoonchoir.org)



**Grenville Jones**  
Founder