

#### Promise Land – Zoom Sessions

Each week we meet together via Zoom to chat, play games and learn something from the Bible. We meet on Wednesdays at 4:45pm and/or Sundays at 9:45am. Each session lasts for 45 minutes. The sessions are open to all children in school years 1-6 – we would love to see you! Get in touch for Zoom details – Helen@stbots.church or 07973 164020

#### Make and Play - Sessions on YouTube





During the various lockdown periods, Helen as recorded some Make and Play sessions which you can find on our St Bots YouTube channel. They are each about 15 minutes long; Helen sings a few nursery rhymes and church favourites like 'Our God is a Great Big God!' and there is a

very short story from the Bible. Perhaps your children or grandchildren would enjoy singing along? You can find the sessions by going to:

Films.stbots.church - Choose the Videos tab and search for Make and Play

**1eighty is a group for young people (Yrs 7-9)** - 1eighty is open to anyone. Whether you would call yourself a Christian or are just wanting to explore what it is Christians believe. Come along and join us we would love to see you! (*Please make sure you <u>fill in a members form</u> before you come for the first time*) Meeting Times - **Thursdays**: We meet in Church House from 7:30-9pm For more details email - <a href="mailto:andy@stbots.church">andy@stbots.church</a>

**LINK** is a group for young people (Yrs 10-13) - LINK is open to anyone. Whether you would call yourself a Christian or are just wanting to explore what it is Christians believe. Come along and join us we would love to see you! (*Please make sure you fill in a members form before you come for the first time*) Meeting Times - **Wednesdays**: We meet in Church House from 8-9.30pm For more details email - **andy@stbots.church** 

**Refresh** is mainly for mums/mother-to-be/carers of pre-school or school aged (primary or secondary) children and we have a few others who join us too. Currently we are meeting each **Monday 9.30am** during term time in Church House for a cuppa, catch up, pastoral support, Bible study and prayer. Since lockdown and government rules are relaxed, we will be meeting in Church House garden in the marquee. If anyone would be interested in joining us ,even if it's just whilst this lockdown continues, then please do drop me a text or email me.

#### Kirsty Clark 07909 511987, kirstyclark21@hotmail.co.uk

I can fill you in on any other details and you would be more than welcome to join us - we'd love to have you!



## St Botolph's Church Family News Fifth Sunday of Easter 2nd May 2021



#### Collect - Fifth Sunday of Easter

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

#### Message from Mark

Who'd be a politician?! For good or ill the media like nothing better than to bring down our leaders. Entering politics means allowing your dirty washing to aired in public, no matter how hard you try to hide it. Jesus told us that he is coming again to judge the world, you and me. That means giving account for all your misdemeanors, lapses of judgement and selfish acts. And nothing can be hidden. Thank God that through the cross and resurrection of Jesus we will be judged righteous on that day. As Paul writes to the Romans, "There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus" (Romans 8v1)

Please join us this Sunday 2nd May at 6.30pm as we resume our Evening Prayer Service in St Botolph's Church (the service will also be Live Streamed via YouTube).

Remember that social distancing will be in force in church and that face masks are to be worn whilst in church and this will be mandatory if you intend to come to the service.

Unfortunately there will still be no opportunity to sing whilst the Government COVID restrictions are in force.

Please join us this Sunday 2nd May at 11.00am for a joint outdoor Family Service at St Edmund's Church, Warkton open to all from St Botolph's Church and St Edmund's Church. Remember to bring a seat and a blanket if it's cold and your best signing voice.

YES WE WILL BE ABLE TO SING

Please use the Village Hall Car park in Warkton village if you are coming this Sunday or you could even walk if it's a nice sunny day.



# NOTICE OF ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

Parish of St Botolph's Barton Seagrave NN15 6SR

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) will be held in **Church on Monday the 24**th day of May 2021.

(Note subject to Government COVID Guidelines the intention is that the meeting will be held in person in Church and not as a virtual meeting on-line)

For election of parochial representatives of the laity as follows -

- 1 To the Deanery Synod 6 (six) representatives.
- 2 To the Parochial Church Council 9 (nine) representatives.

For the appointment of the Independent Examiner or Auditor.

For the consideration of:

- (a) a report on changes to the Roll since the last annual parochial church meeting or a report on the numbers entered on the new Roll as appropriate;
- (b) an Annual Report on the proceedings of the parochial church council and the activities of the parish generally;
- (c) the financial statements of the council for the year ending on the  $31^{st}$  December 2021 preceding the meeting;
- (d) the annual report on the fabric, goods and ornaments of the church or churches of the parish;
- (e) a report of the proceedings of the deanery synod; and
- (f) other matters of parochial or general Church interest.

In this Notice, 'parish' means an ecclesiastical parish.

Signed Mark Lucas Dated 16th April 2021

Minister of the parish

#### Notes

- 1 Every lay person whose name is entered on the Church Electoral Roll of the parish (and no other person) is entitled to vote at the election of parochial representatives of the laity.
- 2 A person is qualified to be elected a parochial representative of the laity if -
- (a) his or her name is entered on the Church Electoral Roll of the parish and, unless he or is under 18, has been entered there for at least the preceding six months;
- (b) he or she is an actual communicant (which means that he has received Communion according to the use of the Church of England or of a Church in communion with the Church of England at least three times during the twelve months preceding the date of the election);
- (c) he or she is at least 16; and
- (d) he or she is not disqualified as referred to in paragraph 3 of these Notes.
- 3 (1) A person is disqualified from being nominated, chosen or elected or from serving as a churchwarden or a member of a parochial church council, a district church council or a joint council if the person is disqualified from being a trustee of a charity (and the disqualification is not subject to a waiver which permits membership of a parochial church council, district church council or joint council).
- (2) A person is disqualified from being nominated, chosen or elected or from serving as a member of a parochial church council, a district church council, a joint council or a deanery synod if the person is included in a barred list (within the meaning of the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006).
- (3) A person is disqualified from being nominated, chosen or elected or from serving as a member of a parochial church council, a district church council, a joint council or a deanery synod if the person has been convicted of an offence mentioned in Schedule 1 to the Children and Young Persons Act 1933 (with that expression being construed in accordance with <u>Rule 71(2)</u> of the Church Representation Rules).
- (4) A person's disqualification under sub-paragraph (3) may be waived by the bishop of the diocese by giving the person notice in writing.
- (5) A person is disqualified from being nominated, chosen or elected or from serving as a member of a parochial church council if the person has been disqualified from holding office under section 10(6) of the Incumbent (Vacation of Benefices) Measure 1977.
- 43 A scheme is in operation in this parish which provides that any person entitled to vote in the elections of parochial representatives of the laity to the parochial church council or to the deanery synod or to both may apply on the appropriate form to the Minister of the parish (or other person signing below) for a postal vote. The completed form must be received before the commencement of the annual parochial church meeting.
  Notes
- 1 To be included in a year in which parochial representatives of the laity are to be elected to the Deanery Synod.
- 2 To be included in a year when a new Church Electoral Roll is prepared. Delete as applicable.
- 3 This paragraph should be deleted if no scheme for postal voting is in operation in the parish.
- 4 Or vice-chair of the parochial church council as the case may be (see <u>rule M19(2)</u> of the Church Representation Rules).



#### NOTICE OF A MEETING FOR THE ELECTION OF CHURCHWARDENS

Parish of St Botolph's Church Barton Seagrave, NN15 6SR

A meeting for the election of churchwardens will be held in Church Monday on 24th day of May 2021 at 8.00pm

This meeting may be attended by:

- 1. All persons whose names are entered on the church electoral roll of the parish and
- All persons resident in the parish whose names are entered on a register of local government electors by reason of such residence

Signed Mark Lucas Rector

Dated 18th February 2021

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#### Exciting Changes are taking place at St Botolph's Church during April & May

Paul Gosling will shortly be retiring after many years service as our excellent Church Adminstrator. We all wish him a well earned and happy retirement. The PCC are very pleased to announce that Heather Knighton has been appointed to the post of Church Administrator as Paul's replacement for St Botolph's Church & St Edmund's Church with effect 17th May 2021.

#### Church House Office Hours - Temporary change of Office Hours

With effect from week commencing 19<sup>th</sup> April, Church Office will be monitored Monday to Wednesday from 10am to 2pm and not Thursdays as previously stated. You can still leave voicemail messages at 01536 414052 and email messages at <a href="mailto:admini.com">admin@stbots.church</a> which will be regularly monitored.

Paul

Youth:

Families Helen Tilney

Revd. Andy Clark

Administrator, St Botolph's Church, Barton Seagrave & St Edmund's Church, Warkton

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(Opening Hours Mon - Wednesday 10:00am - 2:00pm.)

## **APCM**

Our APCM with be held in Church on Monday 24th May 2021 at 8.00pm. This years APCM report is now available to view or download from the St Botolph's web site at www.stbots.org.uk.

(If you require a paper copy of the APCM report please contact Church Office but be aware there will be a charge of £2 for it to cover increased printing costs.)

Elections to serve as Churchwarden, PCC member and Deanery Synod representative will be held during the APCM meeting, so if you are on the Church's Electoral Roll please consider standing.

Nomination forms for election as Churchwarden, PCC member and Deanery Synod representative can be filled in on-line or downloaded from the StBots web site at <a href="StBotolph's Church | APCM 2021 (stbots.org.uk">StBotolph's Church | APCM 2021 (stbots.org.uk</a>) or you can request the nomination forms directly from Church Office.

#### What's happening next week?

#### Sunday 2nd May

9.15am Family Service (on YouTube)
9.45am Promised Land (via Zoom)
11.00am Outdoor Service at Warkton
6.30pm Evening Praise

(in Church & YouTube)

Monday 3rd May

8.00am Morning Prayer (on YouTube)

Tuesday 4th May

8.00am Morning Prayer (on YouTube)

9.30am Staff Team Away Day

(Frontier Centre)

8.00pm Church Meets (via Zoom)

#### Wednesday 5th May

8.00am Morning Prayer (on YouTube)
9.30am Ladies Bible Study (via Zoom)
4.45pm Promised Land (via Zoom)
8.00pm Link (in Church House)

#### Thursday 6th May

7.00am Polling Station (Church House) 8:00am Morning Prayer (on YouTube)

10:00am Staff Meeting

7.30pm 1eighty (in Church House)

Friday 7th May

Saturday 8th May

#### **REVISION OF CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL**

'Notice is hereby given that the Church Electoral Roll of St Botolph's Church Barton Seagrave is being revised by the Parochial Church Council (PCC), beginning on **Monday the 26<sup>th</sup> day of April 2021**, and ending on **Monday the 10<sup>th</sup> day of May 2021** for those people not already on the Electoral Roll

After the revision, a copy of the Roll will be published by the Parochial Church Council and held in **St Botolph's Church Office**, **Barton Seagrave** for at least 14 days from 10th May and a copy of the Roll will be available for inspection on a reasonable request being made to the Council. **Please ensure you have returned your completed application form to either Church Office or via email to admin@stbots.church if you want to be included in the revised Electoral Roll Register before the 10th May.** 

Visit St Bots web siter Click Here <u>St Botolph's Church | APCM 2021 (stbots.org.uk)</u> for more information and remember you can fill in the application on-line then just save it (use your surname name as the file name) when you're done and email it back to:-

admin@stbots.church.

#### **RAISING KIDS FOR CHRIST**

Our friends at Moulton Church have arranged this event.

There ar two remaining Zoom sessions led by Mel Lacey, Head of Growing Young Disciples. Mel has many years experience in leading youth and children's work and is an excellent teacher and communicator.

This event is aimed at parents and children's/youth workers.

Session 3. **Monday 24<sup>th</sup> May 8pm – 9:30pm.** This session we'll be thinking about how to help kids relate to the world, focusing on helping them to engage well with TV, movies, social media, music etc. with a biblical worldview.

There is a small voluntary contribution of £5 towards the cost of the event.

Contact Helen for further details.

Helen@stbots.church 0797316402

# Saturday Morning Prayer Time

#### 15th May

Join us at St Botolph's on-line via Zoom between 9am and 10am
For a time of informal prayer

(Zoom log-in details can be found on the St Bots Whatsapp Group or contact Church Office)

#### **KGH Prayer time**

The Spiritual and Pastoral Care (chaplaincy) team at KGH hold a fortnightly prayer Zoom session at **1.00pm-1.30pm on Tuesdays**. Our next one is on **Tuesday 4th May**. It is led by Jane Thurland and anyone associated with KGH is welcome. We meet to pray for the good of the hospital and to promote Christian Fellowship within the hospital. If you are interested to find out more please contact either Jane Thurland, Sheila Matthews or the Chaplaincy team





# April Update from DANNY & VERA Praíse & Prayer

We thank God for you. Thank you for praying and supporting us and those we serve.

Be strong and courageous.

Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the Lord your God goes with you; He will never leave you nor forsake you.

Deut.31:6

Love and thanks, Vera & Danny

If you would like the full copy of Vera & Danny's excellent Newsletter please email "jimroughton@stbots.church"

## **CHURCH MEETS**

Tuesday 4th May 8.00pm - 9.00pm via ZOOM

Join us as we gather together in prayer and praise bringing our concerns and thanks to our awesome God (for Zoom log-in details visit the St Bots Church WhatsAppGroup)



# APOLOGETICS FOR 9-13 YEAR OLDS

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