### St Botolph's Church Family News The Third Sunday of Lent 7th March 2021



#### Collect - The Third Sunday of Lent

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

#### Message from Mark

Roll on 21<sup>st</sup> June! In case you missed it this is the date when, all being well, everything will be back to normal. I truly can't wait to meet together in the church building, to sing God's praises, to read the Bible and pray together, and to share our unity in Christ. I'm planning a service of thanksgiving, watch this space. The meantime we live with strict restrictions. It's amazing what future hope can do isn't it?



### Encouragement to Keep Going...

Encouragement is a powerful thing. When someone takes the time to post a card, pen a letter or send a thoughtful gift, our heads are raised, our spirits brighten and our attitudes are turned around. Encouragement offers support, confidence and hope.

As we begin the slow walk out of lockdown, why not encourage someone you love by showing them you're thinking of them - even while we remain apart? Even

the smallest of acts can strengthen the weak and cheer the troubled to look to Jesus.



Lent this year begins on 17<sup>th</sup> February, how time flies! So, starting on **Sunday 21<sup>st</sup>** February we will be running our Lent Course,

#### "Discipleship Explored."

The course will run on Zoom (Login details available from the Church Office or on the St Bots Church WhatsApp Group) throughout Lent on Sunday evenings at 6.30. It is based around Paul's most joyful letter, that to the

Philippians. There will be some input in each session and a time for discussion. Please do come along, no need to book, just turn up.

#### Explore what it means to follow Jesus.

**Discipleship Explored** - Sunday evenings at 6.30pm started on 21st February Discipleship Explored is an eight-session course studying Paul's letter to the Philippians.

The course helps believers to know how to live as disciples of Christ Jesus today. It goes beyond simply teaching the right moves - go to church, pray, read the Bible, share the gospel - and focuses on the power which drives discipleship: the love of Christ. The greatest love anyone can ever know.

So, why not join with us when you can via Zoom on Sunday evenings during Lent as we discover Philippians. Each session will begin at 6.30pm and finish by 7.30pm latest. There will be some input in each session and a time for discussion. Contact either Paul in the Church Office or see the St Bots WhatsApp Group for Zoom joining details.

#### What's happening next week?

Sunday 7th March		Wednesday 10th March	
9.15am	Family Service (on YouTube)	8.00am	Morning Prayer (on YouTube)
9.45am	Promised Land (via Zoom)	9.30am	Ladies Bible Study (via Zoom)
6.30pm	Discipleship Explored (via Zoom)	4.45pm	Promised Land (via Zoom)
Monday 8th March		7.30pm	DEF Lent School (via Zoom)
8.00am	Morning Prayer (on YouTube)	8.00pm	Link (via Zoom)
9.30am	Refresh (via Zoom)	Thursday 11th Match	
1:00pm	Staff meeting	8:00am	Morning Prayer (on YouTube)
Tuesday 9th March		10:00am	Staff Meeting
8.00am	Morning Prayer (on YouTube)	7.30pm	1eighty (via Zoom)
		Friday 12th March	
		8.00am	Morning Prayer (on YouTube)
		Saturday 13th March	

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#### REVISION OF CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL

#### Notice is hereby given

that the Church Electoral Roll of the above parish will be revised by the Parochial Church Council\*, beginning on Monday the 26th day of April 2021, and ending on Monday the 10<sup>th</sup> day of May 2021

\* The revision must be completed at least 15 days, but no more than 28 days, before the Annual Parochial Church Meeting

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 and a copy of the Roll will be available for inspection on a reasonable request being made to the Council.

Under the Church Representation Rules any lay persons are entitled to have their names entered on the roll if the person is-

(a) is baptised,

(b) is aged 16 or over, and

(c) has made one of the following three declarations and duly applied for enrolment.

The first declaration is that the person is a member of the Church of England or of a Church in communion with it and is resident in the parish.

The second declaration is that the person is a member of the Church of England or of a Church in communion with it, is not resident in the parish, but has habitually attended public worship in the parish during the preceding six months.

The third declaration is that the person is a member in good standing of a Church which is not in communion with the Church of England but subscribes to the doctrine of the Holy Trinity and is also a member of the Church of England and has habitually attended public worship in the parish during the preceding six months.

Application Forms for enrolment can be obtained from the Church Electoral Roll Officer. In order for a person to be entitled to attend the annual parochial church meeting and to take part in its proceedings, an Application Form for enrolment must be returned by the date shown above for the ending of the revision of the Church Electoral Roll by the Parochial Church Council.

Any error discovered in the Roll should at once be reported to the Church Electoral Roll Officer.

At least 14 days notice must be aiven

Dated this 18<sup>th</sup> day of February 2021

Signed paul@stbots.church Address St Botolph's Church Office Barton Seagrave, NN15 6SR Church Electoral Roll Officer

Email admin@stbots.church

Go to St Botolph's Church (stbots.org.uk) web site to download an application form to be added to the Church Electoral Roll. You can complete the application form on-line using the SIGN function in Adobe Reader then email the form back to admin@stbots.church or complete the form manually and return to Church Office.



#### DEF – Lent Bible School

The details for the Peterborough Diocesan Evangelical Fellowship (DEF) Lent Bible School are now up on the St Bots Blog.

God, sex and human flourishing - 5 sessions over Lent thinking through Christian teaching about identity, sexuality, relationships and marriage. Wednesday evenings during lent. Starting 24th February 19.30pm - 20.30pm. Really good speakers and important topics to think about.

https://stbotsblog.wordpress.com/2021/02/08/def-lent-bible-school/

Peterborough DEF Lent Bible School: God, sex and human flourishing There are 5 (FREE) sessions over Lent (via Zoom) thinking through Christian teaching about

#### Learning together, Identity, Relationships, Sexuality, and Life together.

Each of the 5 sessions needs to be booked individually. When you book you will automatically be emailed the zoom invitation. It is very easy to book and there is no cost. For more details follow the "Click here to book now" below.

#### Session 3

Relationships [Speaker Ed Shaw, Wednesday 10th March @ 19.30pm] 3. What kind of relationships does God call us to? What can we affirm and what can't we?

#### Session 4

Adrian Keach

Office:

#### Click here to book now

4. Sex [Speaker Phil Nightingale, Wednesday 12th March @ 19.30pm] Where do our bodies and sex fit into all this? How can we "offer our bodies to God as living sacrifices" (Rom 12:1)?

#### Click here to book now

Further **Session** details to be advertised here in CFN over the coming weeks during Lent.

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## SATURDAY 27TH MARCH - 8PM

EMAIL <u>JULIE@STBOTS.CHURCH</u> FOR YOUR INVITE TO OUR ZOOM EVENT EMAIL RACHEL <u>RMSAMWAYS@YAHOO.COM</u> FOR YOUR FREE PARTICIPANT PACK!\*

St Botolph's \*PARTICIPANT PACKS WILL BE POSTED TO ENSURE

#### **OASIS Wellbeing Group**

**Open Door Church Kettering** has launched the **OASIS Wellbeing Group**. The group offers hospitality, community and support to people looking to strengthen their emotional and mental wellbeing. **OASIS Wellbeing Group** is open to all adults of all faiths and backgrounds. It is a space where it is OK not to be OK, and is based on a national model. It aims to provide a place of community and connection, and includes optional times of reflective prayer.

The group meets on Wednesdays from 2pm to 4pm at the **Eden Centre, Montague Street**, Kettering. During lockdown, the group is meeting online.

If you would like to join the group or want to know more about it, then contact Adrian Newman (phone or text) 07522582264



#### 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 – <u>Helen@stbots.church</u> 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 over Zoom from 7:30-9pm For more details email - <u>andy@stbots.church</u>

**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 <u>fill in a members form</u> before you come for the first time*) Meeting Times - **Wednesdays**: We meet over Zoom from 8-9.30pm For more details email - <u>andy@stbots.church</u>

**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 via Zoom for a cuppa, catch up, pastoral support, Bible study and prayer. When lockdown and government rules allow, we have also been 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 for Zoom login details.

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

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



#### Mothering Sunday – Flowering Plants

Plants will be available to collect from outside Church House between 11am – 1pm on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> March. As part of your daily exercise, we would love you to collect a plant in a socially distanced and Covid-safe way from the front of Church House. It would be great if every lady from our church family received a plant on Mothering Sunday so if you are able to collect and delivery a plant to someone you know who may not be able to collect one for themselves, we would be very grateful. We will collate a list to ensure that there are no duplicates and as many ladies as possible receive a plant.

If you are unable to make it to Church House between 11am – 1pm on 14<sup>th</sup> March, please let Helen know and she will endeavour to put plants aside for you tel: 07973 164020 or email <u>Helen@stbots.church</u>. Thank you – we look forward to seeing you.

Helen



In a difficult year...we are excited to announce the plans ahead.... **Bible by the Beach 2021** will be an online event only this year but with the opportunity to interact with others during the day. There will be many elements you will be familiar with - excellent Bible Readings, inspiring music from EMU and, of course, our children and youth will also be wonderfully catered for! **So book the date in your diary and join us at Bible by the Beach 2021 on Saturday 1st May!** *More information to follow shortly...*