

# St John's

# St John the Evangelist Great Stanmore 10th December 2023

<b>Sunday</b>	11.30am	Christmas Choir Rehearsal (adults)
<b>Tuesday</b>	10.30am	BCP Holy Communion
	2pm	Tea & Chat (with St John's School Choir)
<b>Wednesday</b>	12.30pm	Little Fishers Parent & Toddler Group
	7pm	St John's School Carol Service
<b>Thursday</b>	1.30pm	Aylward Primary School Visit (Year 4)
	7.15pm	Prayer Meeting (Chapel)
	8pm	Bell Ringing Practice (speak to Shaun)

## Who's who

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## Welcome

We are delighted to see you in church today and hope you enjoy your time with us.

If you are visiting (or new), please introduce yourself to the Clergy or Churchwardens.

## Services today

**8am**  
Priest

**HOLY COMMUNION**  
Matthew Stone

**Bible Readings:**  
Isaiah 40:1-11  
Mark 1:1-8

**10am**

President  
NT  
Gospel  
Address  
Welcome  
Warden

**CONFIRMATION**  
Bishop Lusa  
Jo Hester  
Wendy Wall  
Bishop Lusa  
Danny Curran  
Jackie Peters  
Jane Prentice

**Hymns:**

401 Longing for Light  
469 O Come, O Come Emmanuel  
141 Father, hear the prayer  
310 In Christ Alone  
637 The Lord's My Shepherd  
605 Take My Life and Let It Be  
60 Be still  
Stand Together (Recorded)

## ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST - MISSION STATEMENT

Drawn together by Christ's love, we seek by his grace to live out his commandments to love the Lord our God with all of our being; and to love everyone we come across as we love ourselves.

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## The Second Sunday in Advent

### Collect

Almighty God, purify our hearts and minds, that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again as judge and saviour we may be ready to receive him, who is our Lord and our God. Amen.

### Post-Communion

Father in heaven, who sent your Son to redeem the world and will send him again to be our judge: give us grace so to imitate him in the humility and purity of his first coming that, when he comes again, we may be ready to greet him with joyful love and firm faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Please remember to pray for:

**Sick** - Ben Morton, Olive Oliver, John Whitfield, John Wing and Chris Woodcock. **RIP** - Richard Adams.



## Confirmation Service - Today

We are very pleased to welcome the Bishop of Willesden, the Rt. Revd Lusa Nsenga-Ngoy to St John's Church together with any visitors who are joining us this morning.

During the 10am service, Bishop Lusa will be baptising, admitting to communion and confirming the following:

### Baptism

Obinna and Val (adult).

### Admission to Communion

Chisom, Connor, Emma, Felix, George, Henry, Miguel, Nkiruka, Pedro and Sophia.

### Confirmation

Arthur, Chloe, David, Eva, James, Joshua, Kadmiel, Lacey, Lucia, Nkasi, Noah, Rosie, Samuel, Sarah, Tee (adult), Ugonna and Val (adult).

Please pray for the candidates as they take this next step in their faith.

## Café St Jean

Enhanced refreshments provided by the candidates' families will be served in Church House after the 10am service. Enjoy - it will be busy!

## Christmas Choir Rehearsals

11.30am adults only.  
No rehearsal for children today.

## Tea & Chat - 12th December

The choir from St John's School is visiting Tea & Chat this week, and you are very welcome to come along and hear them sing!

Enter Church House for a 2pm start using the double gates (there is a doorbell low down on the left-hand gate post).

## Prayer Meeting - 14th December

Wendy will be leading the next prayer meeting which will begin at 7.15pm in the Chapel.

## Online Advent Course: 'From the Stable thro' the Grave'

Reflections on the life of Jesus, running from Advent through to Easter (8 sessions).

The first session went really well and the next is on 19th December (8pm). Please email Wendy if you would like to attend and she will share joining instructions.

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## Christmas Afternoon Tea

Gigantic thanks to the team who put on the wonderful tea last Sunday. Delicious food and lots of fun!