



FAMILY NEWS

FROM
ST JOHN'S EALING

Sunday 25th October 2026

Dear friend,

Below, you'll find details of our upcoming services & events for this week and next at St John's. Do check our website www.stjohnsealing.org.uk for the latest updates, news and details of all future courses and events.

A message from our Associate Vicar Rev Angelo Lebrato

Dear Church

As we come to the end of our series in Philippians, we are reminded of how relevant Paul's words remain for us today. We live in a world filled with conflicts, uncertainties and troubling news, and it is easy to feel overwhelmed by what we see on our screens each day.

Yet the apostle Paul calls us to a different perspective: to rejoice, to stand firm in our faith, to seek peace, and to fix our minds on what is true, noble and excellent. This part I particularly like... I challenge you to think on good things, things that are true, noble and praise worthy. Remember, he wrote these words from prison, this tells us that Christian hope does not depend on circumstances, but on Christ our Lord himself.

Have a blessed rest of the week

This Weekend

Holy Communion

Sunday 25 October | 10am | Church

Join us this Sunday at 10am for our Holy Communion service as we continue our autumn series which can be found [here](#). Our reading will be from **Philippians 4:10-23**

Café Church

Sunday 25 October | 5.45-7pm | Church Lounge

Join our informal, café style service, with teaching and sharing of faith stories, prayer and discussions, as well as refreshments throughout.

A message from our Parish Safeguarding Officer Valerie Upton

Safeguarding News

The care and protection of children, young people and adults involved in Church activities is the responsibility of everyone who participates in the life of the Church.(House of Bishops Safeguarding Policy)

Thank you

Thank you to everyone who has completed their safeguarding training. I know it can sometimes feel a little onerous, and the three-year refresher seems to come around very quickly!

Training requirements

The Church of England now asks all volunteers serving in its churches to complete Basic Safeguarding training. At present, around 100 volunteers serve at St John's. As this is a large group for me to monitor, I ask team leaders—and use newsletters such as this one—to remind everyone of the requirement.

Some roles require further training. For example, all volunteers who work with children must complete Basic Safeguarding, Foundation Safeguarding and Raising Awareness of Domestic Abuse training. The leader of each church ministry can confirm the training requirements for your team.

Group training session

Learning together is often more enjoyable and productive. We will therefore be holding a group **Raising Awareness of Domestic Abuse** training session:

Date: Wednesday 28th October

Time: 12.45 pm

Venue: Church lounge

Duration: Approximately 90 minutes

If you are free to join us, please let Helen Goodman or me know.

Information about Safeguarding training can be found at [Home | Safeguarding: Training Portal](#)

Next Week

Midweek Communion Service

Wednesday 28 October| 11.15am |Church

Please join our weekly communion service followed by refreshments. All are welcome - toddlers to pensioners and all in between. We are currently exploring Ephesians.

Prayer Walk

Saturday 31 October| 10.30-12pm |Church Lounge

Our **Autumn Prayer Walk** is next Saturday 31 October. We meet outside the church at 10.30am and walk and pray around part of our Parish. You are invited to wear something bright as a sign we are taking the light of Christ and need to be able to walk for a few miles. At the same time there will be our **Stay and Pray** in the church lounge. The two groups will communicate with each other, with prayers and pictures via social media.

[Light Party](#)

Saturday 31 October| 4-6pm |St Paul's Ealing

Join us for our upcoming light party with silent disco for **kids aged 4-11years**. Details on how to sign up and further information [here](#).

All Age Worship

Sunday 01 November| 10am |Church

Join us next Sunday for our all age worship.

Looking Ahead

Tearfund Big Quiz Night

Saturday 14 November| 6-8pm |Church Lounge

Join us for our Tearfund Big Quiz Night. Proceeds will go towards helping transform the lives of people living in poverty. Sign up [here](#). Ticket prices are £20 for adults and £10 children. (Which includes a £5 donation to Tearfund and food and soft drinks on the night).



Upcoming Events

"When Dreams Change" [Course](#)

This course runs across five **Thursday evenings 7.45pm - 9.30pm at St Pauls Church, Northfields starting Thurs 5th Nov and ending Thurs 3rd Dec**. This course is designed by the charity [Growing Hope](#) and is for parents/carers of children with additional needs. The course aims to help families build support networks and share their experiences, reflecting on their own needs. For information or to sign up please contact rebecca@stpaulsealing.com

The next 150 Project

Please continue to pray for our plan to renew and strengthen St John's for the next generation. The Project team have prepared a priority list which the PCC have agreed. The next steps are to work out a detailed implementation plan over the next few weeks. A new sound desk is first on the list! You can read more in our project brochure [here](#), and if you can start or increase regular giving, make a one-off donation or add Gift Aid, please use our giving pledge form [here](#).

Belong, Serve, Give

We are seeking to expand our **hospitality team** to help out on Sunday mornings. If you would like to get involved and are interested in serving please contact the [church office](#)

Community

Ealing Foodbank

Please consider donating to the basket in the lounge. The October shopping list can be found [here](#). You can also use the platform 'Give Today' to purchase the food items that are needed the most [here](#).

Church Office Contact Details

Church Office hours are **Monday to Friday from 10:00am to 12:00pm**. If you need to contact the office, please email office@stjohnsealing.org.uk

Wishing you a blessed weekend :)

Sabrina & Daniela