FAMILY NEWS
FROM ST JOHN'S EALING

Sunday 8th November 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 Church Warden Paul Salter

A brief reflection on Remembrance Sunday

This coming Sunday the 8th of November is Remembrance Sunday when we remember the sacrifice of those who have fallen in war as well as the many who have suffered in various conflicts in this century and those of the last. Remembrance Sunday is a deeply poignant moment for Christians as we honour those who gave their lives in war but also reflect upon the themes of sacrifice, peace and hope. The words of Jesus in John 15:13 are a poignant reminder of this sacrifice "Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends" and the selflessness of those who served mirrors Christ's ultimate sacrifice, reminding us that love often calls for courage and giving beyond ourselves.

The Christian message offers hope that one day God will wipe away every tear (Revelation 21:4) and by encouraging us to live in ways that honour the memory of the fallen by building communities rooted in compassion, unity and faith. It is a call to pray for the healing of nations, to stand against injustice and to live as witnesses to Christ's love in a world that is yearning for peace.

This Weekend

Holy Communion
Sunday 08 November| 10am |Church
Join us this Remembrance Sunday at 10am for our Holy Communion service.

Café Church
Sunday 08 November| 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.

Next Week

Midweek Communion Service
Wednesday 11 November| 11.15am |Church
Please join our weekly communion service followed by refreshments. All are welcome - toddlers to pensioners and all in between.

First Aid Training
Saturday 14 November| 11-1pm |Church
We're pleased to announce a 2-hour First Aid Duty of Care training session for our **children's and youth ministry leaders**. To find out more or to sign up please contact **Eman**

Tearfund Big Quiz Night
Saturday 14 November| 6-8pm |Church Lounge
We invite you to 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).



Morning Worship
Sunday 15 November| 10am |Church
Join us next Sunday 15th at 10am for our Morning Worship.

Safeguarding Sunday
Sunday 15th November is **Safeguarding Sunday** The theme this year is **Love Protects**, rooted in the well known passage from 1 Corinthians 13, which reminds us that "love always protects."



Parish News

Fred Parsons Memorial Service

There will be a memorial and thanksgiving service for Fred on **Thursday December 10th at 1pm** in **the church** followed by refreshments in the church lounge. Please email **Helen** to share your personal stories about Fred so we can include them in the tributes, please also email copies of any photographs you have so that we can have a slide show in the lounge while we have refreshments. Any offers to help with the running of the service and hospitality also appreciated.

Other News

'Toy Run' Christmas Appeal 2026

St John's are delighted to be supporting this project. The '59 Motorcycle Club' organises a toy appeal to help families in need. If you would like to donate a toy/gift (see below) these can be brought to church over the next few Sunday's.

- Interactive and educational toys & games for ages 12-16
- Chocolate bars, cookies (tin boxed), sweets with a long expiry date
- There is also an option to support the run with a **financial donation** via the Justgiving link **https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/toyrun-2026**

  If you have any questions then please contact **Angelo**

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. 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 November 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 contact the office, please email **office@stjohnsealing.org.uk** **Wishing you a blessed weekend :)**
Sabrina & Daniela