

Weekly Pew Sheet for the benefice of Newport and Carisbrooke with Gatcombe



Sunday 22nd January 2023 - Third Sunday after Epiphany

Welcome to our benefice! If you are visiting one of our churches for the first time, please introduce yourself to us!

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Collect; God of all mercy, your Son proclaimed good news to the poor, release to the captives, and freedom to the oppressed: anoint us with your Holy Spirit and set all your people free to praise you in Christ our Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING; 1 Corinthians 1: 10-18

I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree with one another in what you say and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly united in mind and thought. My brothers and sisters, some from Chloe's household have informed me that there are quarrels among you. What I mean is this: One of you says, "I

follow Paul”; another, “I follow Apollos”; another, “I follow Cephas”; still another, “I follow Christ.”

Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I did not baptize any of you except Crispus and Gaius, so no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (Yes, I also baptized the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I don’t remember if I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize, but to preach the gospel—not with wisdom and eloquence, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power.

For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL READING; Matthew 4: 12-23

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord

When Jesus heard that John had been put in prison, he withdrew to Galilee. Leaving Nazareth, he went and lived in Capernaum, which was by the lake in the area of Zebulun and Naphtali—to fulfill what was said through the prophet Isaiah: “Land of Zebulun and land of Naphtali, the Way of the Sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—the people living in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow of death a light has dawned.” From that time on

Jesus began to preach, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon called Peter and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. “Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will send you out to fish for people.” At once they left their nets and followed him.

Going on from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John. They were in a boat with their father Zebedee, preparing their nets. Jesus called them, and immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and sickness among the people.

This is the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you O Christ

Post Communion Prayer; Almighty Father, whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world: may your people, illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. Amen.

What’s on in our parish?

St. John’s Midweek Service: takes place on Wednesday at 11am. This week the service is **Holy Communion.**

Warm Hubs: 10am - 12.30pm with free tea, coffee and biscuits. Every Monday and Wednesday morning, St. Mary's Church Hall, Carisbrooke and every Friday morning, Newport Parish Centre.

The CGCA and St Olave's Church invite you to The Gallybagger Inn in Chillerton every **Tuesday** between **10 and 12** - free tea, coffee, and biscuits in a warm friendly environment. Cards and Board games are available. Do you need transport to get there and back? If so, call Nigel Phillips on 721382. (Please be aware there are steps up to the Gallybagger and no disabled access).

🔔Exciting New Job Opportunity🔔: Are you enthusiastic and looking for a new challenge? Would you like to join the team and assist us in engaging further with the local community? If so, this job may be for you. Please email operationsmanager@cofeheartofwight.org

New FREE Adult Singing Group: Join us on Wednesday evenings, 7-8pm at Newport Parish Centre, for an hour of Singing for Fun. We don't care what you sound like, we just want you to leave with a smile! 🎵 Everyone is welcome. For more information please call 821961 or email admin@cofeheartofwight.org

Clearing Dates for the Minster: Please come and join us as we start to clear and pack away objects in the Minster -
Wednesday, 25th January 10-12 - Choir, vestry and kitchen
Monday, 30th January 10-12 - Choir, vestry, kitchen and flower cupboard. Thank you.

Prayer Ministry: We are looking to offer different types of prayer ministry across the parish. If this is something that you may be interested in joining in with, then please do come along to the meeting on Tuesday 24th January at 7pm in the Conference Room in the Parish Centre.

SOCKS: - St Mary's knitting and crochet group will meet in the Eight Bells on Saturday, 28th January from 10am to 12 noon. Bring your latest project and come along for a chat. Refreshments available.

St. John's Beetle Drive: Sunday, 29th January, 3pm, St. John's Church Hall. Great fun for all ages. £2 per entry. Refreshments during half-time break. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Proceeds to St. John's Choir and St. John's Church.

Generosity Week - February 5th - 12th 2023: It takes time, support and above all prayer to grow a generous culture. Generosity Week is designed to give us the time and space to reflect on God's generosity and to celebrate it within our church's ministry and mission. We invite you to explore God's generosity through eight days of service and worship materials, as well as stories from our churches of God's generosity in action. By the end of Generosity Week all of us will have a deeper understanding of God's generosity towards us and how we can live more generously in our daily lives.

Pancake Party: St. Johns will be holding a Pancake Party on Saturday 18th February, 2-4pm in St John's Church Hall. All are welcome.

Lent Course: Our Lent course this year will be based on the film 'The Greatest Showman' using the book 'From Now on' by Rachel Mann looking at the theme of hope and resurrection. There will be in-person sessions on Tuesday afternoons (venue tbc) and also on-line sessions Tuesday evenings 7pm both from 28th Feb till 28th March. We will also have a film night on Friday 24th Feb at 7pm at St John's Hall, where we can all watch the film together. To sign up to either the in-person or on-line session please see Emma or Steve.

LYCIG (Leading Your Church Into Growth): is a course run locally where a church works together to learn from the Bible

about growth, work out how that applies to their own situation, and be inspired and make plans for the best way to grow. It is very accessible and enables everyone to take part in the process. The end result is a vision owned by the whole church and a plan to start making it happen with God's help. We are invited as a benefice to send a team to St. George's Portsea (a short walk from the catamaran) to learn more. This is a free event and will be held on Saturday 18th March, and will be led by Canon Robin Gamble, who has been a major figure promoting mission and evangelism in the national church over the past three decades, and Bishop Jonathan will be joining us too. Those who have not been to a LYCIG conference before will be invited to do so after our day at St. George's. We have been told that because of the size of our benefice we will be allowed to send a larger delegation, and so if you are interested in attending please contact Richard Smout (richard.smout@cofeheartofwight.org) by Sunday 29th January, so that the places can be booked with the Diocese.

Advent Angels and Stars Festival: Thank you to everyone who knitted or crocheted angels and stars, they were very well received by the children at Christmastime last year. Please could we ask people to keep knitting and crocheting them - patterns available from Emma, who would like to distribute them to the other schools.

Confirmation: This year's confirmation service will be on Sunday 10th Sept. We are looking to run a Confirmation course from the end of May till mid July. Further details to follow soon. If you are thinking of being confirmed this year then please speak to Emma or Steve for further details.

**Island Pilgrimage to
The Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham.**



Monday 16th - Friday 21st October 2023.

Come and immerse yourself in a spiritual retreat in England's Nazareth. Experience the richness of the daily shrine services. Enjoy a week of excellent accommodation, hospitality and full board dining. Relax in the shrine gardens, Abbey ruin grounds or take a walk in the surrounding countryside. Peruse the pleasant historical village and courthouse, shops and quaint coffee shops. The cost of this pilgrimage will range from £375pp to £448pp, *{depending on how many are travelling, the more that book the cheaper it is!!}*. All inclusive of the above and coach travel from the Island. Up to 45 spaces are available to book. If you are interested, please contact Fr Tony Lawrence on 852532 or 07753523797 or email on fr.tonylawrence@outlook.com. Visit the shrines website on www.walsinghamanglican.org.uk