

St John the Evangelist, Hedge End

www.stjohns-hedgeend.org.uk

Sunday 23rd November 2025 1st Sunday before Advent Revd Phil Aindow

9.30am Communion Service

Readings: Colossians 9: 9-20

Luke 23: 33-43

6.30pm Evening Communion Service



WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S

We love meeting new people. If you are new to our congregation or visiting, it would be great to say hello. If you can, please stay for tea & coffee after the morning service.

As a church family there are many ways you can become involved. You can make a commitment to worship with us regularly, join us in our weekly activities and financially contribute to our work.

To make a donation to enable the church there is the basket at the back of church, a card machine next to it or there is the online giving page at www.achurchnearyou.com/church/18453/.

If you would like to make a regular contribution please enquire about the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS). You can find a leaflet at the entrance to the Underhill Centre.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS:

PRAY FOR: for Christians everywhere who know You, that their faith will remain strong. We pray for those who do not yet know You, that they will find Your love for all people.

PRAY FOR: children everywhere and ask Your guidance for them in this uncertain world. We pray for children living in unsafe homes.

Pray for the situations in Israel, Palestine, Ukraine and Sudan.

ANGLICAN COMMUNION CYCLE: The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia. Primates Don Tamihere (Aotearoa), Justin Duckworth (New Zealand), Sione Ulu'ilakepa (Polynesia)

DIOCESAN LIFE: Our Archdeacons, Richard, Jean and Howard, for their practical support of our parishes and clergy.

NEIGHBOURS: Rosemary Gardens, Coniston Gardens, Nordik Gardens, Bergen Crescent, Stockholm Drive and Primrose Close.

FOR WHOLENESS & HEALING: Susan & Adie Phippard, Linda, Craig Rees, David Lynch, Marguerite Ackroyd, Christopher P, Michael Rosendale, Mary, Sue & Lee Davis, Wendy, and Roger Bailey.

DEPARTED: Cynthia Sandum, Sylvis Smith and Yvonne Thornton

Music for Sunday

1st: At the name of Jesus

2nd: Jesus is Lord!

HC: The king of love, In Christ Alone, Cornerstone

Final: Crown him with many crowns

Next Sunday 30th November

9.30 am: Communion Service

Readings: Isaiah 2: 1-5

Matthew 24: 36-44

6:30pm: No Evening Service

This week the office will be open **Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday** between 9.00 - 1.00pm

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DIARY FOR THE WEEKW/B 22nd November 2025

Sunday Monday

9.45am Jiggy Wrigglers 1.00pm DPP (Luke)

6.30pm Yoga with Steve (Luke)

<u>Tuesday</u>

9.30am Table Tennis (All upstairs)

3.30pm Perform (Upstairs)7.30pm Yoga (Upstairs M&M)

Wednesday

9.30am Art Group (Matthew & Mark)
9.30am Men's Shed (Downstairs)
6.30pm Pilates (Matthew & Mark)

7.00pm PCC (Luke)

7.30pm West End Singers (Downstairs)

Thursday

7.00am Slimming World (Downstairs)
2.00pm Crafty Thursdays (Downstairs)
5.00pm Jo Vowles Dance School (M&M)

Friday

12.30pm Thanksgiving service f or Yvonne **Saturday** 10am Christmas Coffee Morning

2026 Calendar

Tim Ferkin, a local photographer, who has taken some lovely images of St John's Church, is releasing a calendar with images of local landscapes for 2026. All proceeds go to a Christian charity called Safe Families.

More information including how to order and the cost will follow.

Christmas Holiday Club Day

Saturday 6th December 2025 10.00—12.30

The Underhill Centre, St John's Church For children aged 4–12 £5 per child.

A morning event including a creative building challenge, edible crafts, festive games and bible stories discovering God's incredible plan!

To book please email: hewebholidaybibleclubbookings@gmail.com

Christmas Coffee Morning

We shall be holding our Christmas coffee morning on

Saturday 29th November from 10. 00 - 12.30

to raise funds for the church.

We are once again asking for donations for the raffle and cake stalls.

A list of suggested items for the raffle will be put in the Underhill Centre.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Free Christmas Concert

You, your friends and family are all invited to a free concert of Christmas Carols and Songs performed by the Hearts and Voice Gospel Choir.

Sunday 30th November 3.00pm in the Underhill Centre

Refreshments will be available and donations to the Society of St James will be gratefully received.

Tickets are free, but to help with numbers please complete a card (outside the parish office) and leave with the office (or slide under the door if closed) or book directly through iKnow. Many thanks.

https://tickets.myiknowchurch.co.uk/gb/ OTMzLTE3/t

Quiz Night

The table tennis club are running a Christmas quiz night on Friday 5th December in the Underhill Centre. 7.00pm for 7.30pm start.

If you would like to put together a team (maximum of 6 people) and enter, or for more information, please contact Peter at

peter.hale10@ntlworld.com

Tickets are £5 per person and include tea/ coffee and a mince pie. Please bring your own additional drinks and nibbles.

Yvonne's Funeral

Yvonne's funeral will take place at **Wessex Vale Crematorium**, Bubb Lane, West End, Southampton SO30 2HL at **11am** on **Friday 28**th **November 2025.**

This will be followed by a celebration of her life at **St. John the Evangelist Church,** at approximately **12.30**.

Please wear bright clothes and a flower in your lapel, if you wish.

This will be followed by refreshments in the Underhill Centre.

If you have a special memory of Yvonne which you are willing to share please send an email to me at m.thornton26@yahoo.co.uk or the St Johns Church office office@stjohns-hedgeend.org.uk.

If computers are not your thing, please drop a handwritten note to me at home or the church office.

For those unable to attend we intend to stream both services. More details of these to follow.

Malcolm