

September 1st



Welcome to the
Services in our
Benefice

CONNECTIONS CHURCH
part of St John's Church family



SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE TODAY

*A Church of Salt and Light is...
a Scriptural Church*

2 Timothy 3:10-17; Matthew 4:1-4

- 9.45am St John's Family Service at the school
11am Kelsale Holy Communion
6.30pm St John's Holy Communion

Note: the Website Rota contains full information about who is involved in these Services.

Baptism of Beau Sebastian Jones

We are very pleased to welcome Beau, his Mum and Dad (Emily and Oli) and brother Jed to Kelsale this Sunday morning for Beau's Baptism. Please join with me in showing them, their family and their friends, what friendly people we are! (Nic)

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

*O God, you declare your almighty power
most chiefly in showing mercy and pity:
mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace,
that we, running the way of your commandments,
may receive your gracious promises,
and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.*

WHAT'S GOING ON ?



Scrabble at The Crossroads

Tuesday 3rd September - 2pm to 4pm. All welcome.
Enquiries Jean and Tom Lodge 01728 604822.

Weather Permitting...

Tom Lodge is proposing to have a working party at St.John's for a general tidy-up and to work on the Rose beds etc.

From about 9.45 am on

Wednesday 4th September... for a couple of hours-ish.

Tea and biscuits provided. Look forward to seeing you - weather permitting. [Ps. Tom's email is out of order at present so any contact required either 01728 604822 or Jeans email. Thank You. (Tom.L)



Mrs Beeton - are you there?

Hugh Aldous is looking for someone to cook for him during part of the week. If you feel you could provide this support please contact either Shirley Thomas or Roger Mills.

If you're at Connections today...

The house should have a row of blue bricks followed by yellow bricks, red bricks, another row of red bricks, yellow bricks and white bricks. (12 x 14). House should have 1 door at the front and 1 window, front and back. The roof should be 2 red tiles high then a flat green roof. Plant a tree in the garden!

EDF Funday

On Saturday, 7th September Connections church are at the EDF Funday at the Sizewell Sports and Social Club.

We see this as an important part of being in our community! We are after volunteers to help us man our 'zippy dipper' (children's slide!) from 1pm-6pm. If you are able to spare an hour on a rota system that would spread the workload. Please speak to Tom or Lou if you would like to put your name down. Thanks guys!



(Lou)

An Invitation

If you're new to the St.John's church family and so didn't get included in on our most recent address list, we'd love to remedy that omission. Please email Fran at gdpr@saxstjohns.org.uk and she'll send you a form ... just so we get all your details right.

Equally, if you think you might be missing out on email updates, please let Fran know... it's more than likely we've mistyped your email address - sorry and thanks for your patience!

WHOLENESS AND HEALING IN ST.JOHN'S

St.John's has a trained team offering the pastoral ministry of wholeness and healing during Sunday morning services in the church. Two members of the team will listen to your own needs for physical, emotional or spiritual wholeness and healing and pray for you. Please come to the Swan chapel immediately after receiving Holy Communion or, after a non-Eucharistic service, to the prayer area under the nave-vestry window.

There is still time

Suffolk
Historic Churches
Trust



...to sign up for the 2019 Ride & Stride sponsored event on **Saturday 14th September.**

Walk or cycle

around a few of our local churches - volunteers on duty will be very pleased to see you and provide refreshments. The churches and chapels will be open from 9.00 am – 5.00 pm.

Fran Raven, David May and Paul Hartley have all the details and the sponsorship forms. There is also a website <https://shct.org.uk/ride-and-stride/> where you can donate via the Just Giving link.

We would also be very pleased to hear from anyone who can volunteer to sit in church for an hour or so on the day and sign forms. [Fran Raven - 602907, David May - 602113, Paul Hartley -602281]

Fresh Expressions

... sounds like an herbal tea or the latest CD by Ludovico Einaudi but it is neither of these things. If you'd like to find out what it really is, reserve **Saturday September 28th** as a time when you can learn all about it from Canon Sally Gaze who will be visiting us on that day. This should be of particular interest to members of the PCC and Lay Elders, as well as the Connections team. More details to follow.

Choir Resumes!

We will have choir practice on **Friday 20th September** but not the following week, 27th (because I'm part of the drama group providing some entertainment at the Kelsale Harvest Supper). We will then resume practices on 5th October ad infinitum.... (Marjorie)

Harpsichord Recital

St Peter's Church, Carlton

Sunday 8th September 3.00pm

Music by COUPERIN, RAMEAU, BACH, PURCELL, HANDEL, SCARLATTI and others played by Julian Larkin.

Donations towards the repair of the east window of the church.



The Last Woodwose

A new play written for the Wonderful Beast Theatre Company by Suffolk writer, Thea Smiley. Facing extinction, the last Woodwose, a wild woman of the woods, tells the extraordinary story of her life through shape shifting, story-telling and magic. The Last Woodwose weaves fact with fantasy in a magical, mythical tale illuminating the life-blood and wonders of the forest: the woodwose herself is its guardian.

St John's Church, Saxmundham

Friday 13th September, 7.30pm

Tickets: £12 (£10 under 18s/students) available from Eastern Angles: www.easternangles.co.uk or 01473 211498 (Mon-Fri 10-2)

Kelsale Harvest Supper

Friday 27th September - another date for your diary. Come and enjoy a harvest supper with entertainment at Kelsale Village Hall. Doors open at 7.00pm for supper at 7.30pm. Tickets £10 and available from Auriol Marson on 602217 or at michael@carltonrookery.com

Every Little Helps

Can you shop from time to time for one or two church friends who cannot do their own? Please contact Sue Potter (602177) or Chris Williams (831587) for more information.

Get connected!

Join us on **Monday, 2nd September** at our Connect Prayer hour where we spend time praying for our church, the community, world issues and give time to listen to God. At the church shop 7.30-8.30.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

- Prayer for Beth as she continues to improve at home
- For Rob Aldred's mother recovering from a broken arm and awaiting a placement in a home; also for the family as they help her adjust to the new situation
- Prayer for Sally Hartley and her ongoing treatment

NEXT SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 8th

A Church of Salt and Light ... A Worshipful Church
Romans 12: 1-8 and John 4: 21-26

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| 9:30 | Kelsale Holy Communion |
| 09:45 | Connections at Sax' Primary School |
| 11:00 | St John's Praise Service |
| 18:30 | St John's Evening Worship |

Please send your contributions for the next Weekly Welcome Sheet – and any prayer requests – to notices@saxstjohns.org.uk by noon on Thursday.

Need to Talk? Contact details for St.John's church officers can be found on our Website www.saxstjohns.org.uk/contact-us/ ...and on the notice board in the church porch.