



St John's Park Church Family: Followers of Jesus who Love and Learn from God, so we can..... Empower and Support each other, so we can Serve and Reach out to the community and beyond, so we can.....

Sunday 7 November 2021

Baptism today of Adina Kate Jolly! A special welcome to Adina, and all her family and friends. We are all invited to join the family at The Greystones Pub, S11 7BS after the service.

Monday Walking Group We meet at church on Mondays at 11.00am and walk for about an hour followed by refreshments. If it's raining, we still meet to chat and catch up. All are welcome to get fit for Winter!

Remembrance Sunday 14 November 10.45am We will pray and remember, and take time to reflect on the past 18 months.

Community Day Saturday 20 November, 9.45–11.30am at church

We will be litter picking and visiting homes with our questionnaire. Meet for 9.45am for pastries and coffee, 10.00 – 11.30am litter picking and questionnaire. Everyone welcome. Do come and see what God is doing in our parish!

Welcome Team and Refreshments on Sundays We need your help. We are looking for people to help with our welcome and serving refreshments each Sunday. Please let David or Faustina or Bess know (our Church Wardens) if you can help. Thank you to Sarah Jolly who is organising a rota up for this up to Christmas.

Sheffield Dementia Action Alliance Workshops These are being run locally over the next few months to help support raising awareness of Dementia on 18 November, 8 December and 25 January. Please contact Michelle Wilde for more information.

Food Project Supporting Families in Need Can you help us to provide food for those in our community who need it? You can do this by bringing non- perishable food on Sundays, or by making a donation. If so, please contact Colin, our Treasurer, at StJohnsPark@outlook.com and make it clear your donation is for the Food Project. Church bank details:

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Online Prayers These continue each morning from Monday to Friday at 8.00am for 30 minutes. All are welcome. Zoom Meeting Number 323 564 9987, Passcode 483559.

Connect Groups If you are interested in joining a midweek small group, do speak to David, or Bess and Faustina (our Church Wardens) for more details.

Emmaus Primary School Have reception places available for September 2022, and Nursery places for immediate starts. Email: enquiries@emmaus.sheffield.sch.uk

Bible Reading Mark 9:14-29 Jesus Heals a Boy Possessed by an Evil Spirit

¹⁴ When they came to the other disciples, they saw a large crowd around them and the teachers of the law arguing with them. ¹⁵ As soon as all the people saw Jesus, they were overwhelmed with wonder and ran to greet him. ¹⁶ “What are you arguing with them about?” he asked.

¹⁷ A man in the crowd answered, “Teacher, I brought you my son, who is possessed by a spirit that has robbed him of speech. ¹⁸ Whenever it seizes him, it throws him to the ground. He foams at the mouth, gnashes his teeth and becomes rigid. I asked your disciples to drive out the spirit, but they could not.”

¹⁹ “You unbelieving generation,” Jesus replied, “how long shall I stay with you? How long shall I put up with you? Bring the boy to me.” ²⁰ So they brought him. When the spirit saw Jesus, it immediately threw the boy into a convulsion. He fell to the ground and rolled around, foaming at the mouth. ²¹ Jesus asked the boy’s father, “How long has he been like this?” “From childhood,” he answered. ²² “It has often thrown him into fire or water to kill him. But if you can do anything, take pity on us and help us.” ²³ “If you can?” said Jesus. “Everything is possible for one who believes.” ²⁴ Immediately the boy’s father exclaimed, “I do believe; help me overcome my unbelief!”

²⁵ When Jesus saw that a crowd was running to the scene, he rebuked the impure spirit. “You deaf and mute spirit,” he said, “I command you, come out of him and never enter him again.”

²⁶ The spirit shrieked, convulsed him violently and came out. The boy looked so much like a corpse that many said, “He’s dead.” ²⁷ But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him to his feet, and he stood up.

²⁸ After Jesus had gone indoors, his disciples asked him privately, “Why couldn’t we drive it out?” ²⁹ He replied, “This kind can come out only by prayer.”

**What is God saying to you?
What will you do about it?**