



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.....

This Week at St John's 22 Oct – 29 Oct 2023

We meet on Sunday 22 October at 10.45am.

Baptisms this Autumn

If you have not been baptised and would to be, please speak to Olusegun or David as soon as possible.

Midweek Groups

If you are interested in joining one, please speak to David.

Pray for Israel and Gaza



All of us will be concerned about the escalating conflict in Israel and Gaza. It's difficult to know where to start when it comes to praying.

24/7 Prayer have created some helpful resources for how we can respond to breaking news stories such as this.

<https://www.24-7prayer.com/>

Online Prayers

We meet Monday to Friday each week from 8.00-8.30am. All are welcome.

Zoom: 323 564 9987, passcode: 483559

Prayers for Kirsty

Please pray for Kirsty to have a restful break and pray that the children will be excited to be back with us for usual activities after the half term!

Prayers for those unwell

Please can you pray for the following people: Alan, David Wilde recovering from knee surgery, Roger and Elaine, Thelma, Pat. Please let David or Sally know who else we can pray for.



We are delighted to be able to announce that St John's Park has been awarded the Bronze Eco Church Award. More details to follow.



Financial Giving to St John's

If you feel you belong to St John's, you may be interested in supporting us financially. If so, the preferred way of giving is through the online Parish Giving Scheme (PGS – www.parishgiving.org.uk) which many of us use. You can still bring your collection to church on Sundays, if you prefer. For more information do contact our Treasurer, Catherine - StJohnsPark@outlook.com, or speak to Colin or David. The Church bank details are: ST JOHNS PARK P C C
Sort Code: 20-76-89 Acct: 60362786.

Bible Reading:

1 Thessalonians 4:1-12

Living to Please God

4 As for other matters, brothers and sisters, we instructed you how to live in order to please God, as in fact you are living. Now we ask you and urge you in the Lord Jesus to do this more and more. **2** For you know what instructions we gave you by the authority of the Lord Jesus.

3 It is God's will that you should be sanctified: that you should avoid sexual immorality; **4** that each of you should learn to control your own body in a way that is holy and honourable, **5** not in passionate lust like the pagans, who do not know God; **6** and that in this matter no one should wrong or take advantage of a brother or sister. The Lord will punish all those who commit such sins, as we told you and warned you before. **7** For God did not call us

to be impure, but to live a holy life. **8** Therefore, anyone who rejects this instruction does not reject a human being but God, the very God who gives you his Holy Spirit.

9 Now about your love for one another we do not need to write to you, for you yourselves have been taught by God to love each other. **10** And in fact, you do love all of God's family throughout Macedonia. Yet we urge you, brothers and sisters, to do so more and more, **11** and to make it your ambition to lead a quiet life: You should mind your own business and work with your hands, just as we told you, **12** so that your daily life may win the respect of outsiders and so that you will not be dependent on anybody.

