



*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** **12 Nov – 18 Nov 2023**



**We meet on Sunday 12 November at 10.45am for our Remembrance Day Service.**

**A prayer for us on Remembrance Sunday:**

Almighty God, You are our 'ever-present help in times of trouble' (*Psalm 46:1*). Speak with us now as we spend this time with You. May Your presence be peace to us, Your promises fuel faith in us, and Your purpose be fulfilled in us throughout the day to come. Amen.

### **Baptisms this Autumn**

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

### **Online Prayers**

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

Zoom: 323 564 9987, passcode: 483559

## **POWER HOUSE**

*Praise & Prayer*

**SATURDAY 18 NOV 10AM-12NOON**

PRAYING FOR OUR WORLD, OUR CITY, OUR CHURCH  
PRAYER STATIONS.MUSIC.REFRESHMENTS

*Everyone Welcome!*



**Do come to our morning of prayer and praise. We have so much to bring before God.**

### **Our Building**

Praise God the electricity has now been restored!

We are working on a number of building issues and would really value your prayers as the PCC prioritise things.





**Our Carol Service is on Sunday 17 December at 10.45am.** This is an ideal opportunity for you to invite your friends to hear the Good News of Jesus. Who could you invite?

### 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](http://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](mailto: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: Matthew 25:1-13

### The Parable of the Ten Virgins

“At that time the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. <sup>2</sup> Five of them were foolish and five were wise. <sup>3</sup> The foolish ones took their lamps but did not take any oil with them. <sup>4</sup> The wise ones, however, took oil in jars along with their lamps. <sup>5</sup> The bridegroom was a long time in coming, and they all became drowsy and fell asleep.

<sup>6</sup> “At midnight the cry rang out: ‘Here’s the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!’

<sup>7</sup> “Then all the virgins woke up and trimmed their lamps. <sup>8</sup> The foolish ones said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil; our lamps are going out.’

<sup>9</sup> “‘No,’ they replied, ‘there may not be enough for both us and you. Instead, go to those who sell oil and buy some for yourselves.’

<sup>10</sup> “But while they were on their way to buy the oil, the bridegroom arrived. The virgins who were ready went in with him to the wedding banquet. And the door was shut.

<sup>11</sup> “Later the others also came. ‘Lord, Lord,’ they said, ‘open the door for us!’

<sup>12</sup> “But he replied, ‘Truly I tell you, I don’t know you.’

<sup>13</sup> “Therefore keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour.

