



**NEWSLETTER FOR WEEK COMMENCING**  
17<sup>th</sup> November 2024

**SERVICES NEXT WEEK – 24<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2024.**  
Please note that the Reflections Service will be on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> of November 2024.

Day	Time	Service
Mon – Wed	9:00 am	No Morning Prayer.
Sunday	9am	Said Holy Communion Service Rev'd Lindiwe Maseko presiding and Isobel Robinson Reader preaching.
	10 am	Reflections Service – lead by Andrea Campanale – Lay Pioneer Minister.
	4:30 pm	Junior Church

The Funeral Service for **Wendy Patricia (known as Pat) Lines** will be held on Tuesday 26th November at 1.30pm, St. John the Evangelist Kingston. Please continue to pray for Pat's family and friends.



**Thank you for supporting the Christmas Shoe box appeal – 2024**



A big thank you to everyone who contributed to this year's Link to Hope shoebox appeal. A grand total of 51 boxes from St John's Church and School and All Saints Church were picked up last week on the first stage of their journey to Eastern Europe, where they will bring great joy to all who receive them.

### **Join Our Scratch Choir!**

**Everyone is welcome—all voices, all levels, no experience needed! Just bring your enthusiasm and love for singing, and let's create a wonderful Christmas choir together.**

To sign up, email: [stjohnschurch.kingston@gmail.co](mailto:stjohnschurch.kingston@gmail.co)



**St John's Church**  
St John the Evangelist & Hall  
Grove Lane, Kingston upon Thames

# CHRISTMAS FAYRE

**SATURDAY 30TH NOVEMBER**  
**FROM 12:00 – 15:00**  
**GROVELANE, KINGSTON, KT1 2SU**

OUR CHRISTMAS FAYRE IS ON SATURDAY, 30TH NOVEMBER, FROM 12:00 TO 3:00 PM, AND WE'RE HOSTING IT TOGETHER WITH ST JOHN'S SCHOOL PSA. THE CHURCH WILL BE RUNNING STALLS FOR HOT FOOD, DRINKS, CAKES, BOOKS, AND A BOTTLE TOMBOLA.

**HOW YOU CAN HELP:**

- DONATIONS:** CAKES, PRESERVES, BOTTLES OR JARS FOR THE TOMBOLA, GOOD-CONDITION BOOKS (NO PAPERBACKS), AND SMALL CHRISTMAS GIFT ITEMS.
- VOLUNTEERS:** HELPING WITH FOOD PREP, SERVING DRINKS, MAKING TEA, AND CLEARING TABLES.

PLEASE BRING ANY DONATIONS TO THE CHURCH ON **SUNDAY, 24TH NOVEMBER (11:00 AM – 12:00 PM)**, OR **FRIDAY, 29TH NOVEMBER (10:00 AM – 8:30 PM)**. A SIGNUP SHEET IS AT THE CHURCH IF YOU CAN VOLUNTEER FOR AN HOUR—ANY HELP IS MUCH APPRECIATED. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT, AND COME JOIN IN THE FUN!

🎵 **Join Our Team as Organist!** 🎵  
**St. John the Evangelist, Kingston**

Hours: Sundays + Occasional Weddings & Funerals  
Salary: Aligned with industry standards

We're looking for a dedicated Organist to enrich our worship with inspiring music. If you have a passion for church music, proficiency on the organ, and experience in Anglican liturgy, this could be a fantastic role for you!  
Key Responsibilities:

🎵 Provide organ music for weekly and special services

🎵 Lead a community choir for Christmas, Easter & major events

🎵 Collaborate with church leadership on service planning

Requirements:

Skilled organist with sight-reading ability

Strong team player and communicator

Practising Christian with church music experience

Interested? Email your CV and cover letter to: [vicarstjohnskingston@gmail.com](mailto:vicarstjohnskingston@gmail.com)



## Lay Ministry Taster Day

Saturday 25th January 2025  
10-2pm @ Trinity House, SE1 1HW

Come along and find out more about the different types of ministries such as Pastoral, Pioneer, Reader and Children and Young People.

With keynote speaker The Revd Canon Derek Walmsley, author of *God Calls Everyone*

To register your interest email: [learning@southwark.anglican.org](mailto:learning@southwark.anglican.org)



**Diddy Disciples**

**Come and join us**  
**Sundays 10 am**  
**St John's church.**

**Enjoy a time of stories**  
**from the bible, singing,**  
**worship designed for toddlers**  
**and young children with**  
**their parents.**

Spring Grove Fringe – 2024

# Around the World

Friday 29th November, 8:00pm  
Saturday 30th November, 7:30pm  
St John's Parish Hall,  
Grove Lane, KT1 2SU

£25 including supper – Licensed bar  
Box office: [ticketsource.co.uk/sgf](http://ticketsource.co.uk/sgf)

Charity No. 1150982

Early Bird Tickets\*

## 20th Anniversary Gala Night

Join us for a Momentum's Opera Spectacle  
Featuring solo artists and chorus members from some of the world's most prestigious opera houses and music institutions

17th November at 7 pm  
St Johns Church, Kingston, KT1 2SU

\*Early bird tickets: £25 until October, £28 from November  
All proceeds will support Momentum families

Get Your Ticket  
[bit.ly/MomentumOpera](http://bit.ly/MomentumOpera)

Registered charity no:795373

## Faith talks

### Artificial Intelligence - The Pros and Cons

Weds 20th November 2024, 6.30pm  
BAR FROM 6.15PM, TALK FROM 6.30PM

Speaker	Panellists
 <b>Main Speaker:</b> Rev Dr Simon Cross Specialist in AI & Technology Author of <i>Artificial Intelligence: A Guide for the Perplexed</i>	 <b>Host:</b> Rt Rev Dr Martin Gainsborough, Bishop of Kingston.
 <b>Adam Cartwright-Corn</b> Head of Campaigns and Policy at Connected by Data, a campaign to democratise power and policy on data and AI.	 <b>Rev Anna Drew</b> Director of Communications for the Diocese of Southwark and a curate in Hoveyay.
 <b>Dr Tim Limery</b> Head of Technology Enhanced Learning at Kingston University.	

Reserve your space now  
[www.ticketsource.co.uk](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk)

[www.allsaintskingston.co.uk](http://www.allsaintskingston.co.uk)

## JOIN OUR BAR TEAM!

Fancy being part of something exciting? We're looking for enthusiastic volunteers to join our brilliant bar team! We are grateful to all our volunteers and are always keen to bring new team members on board to keep things running smoothly. Whether you have some experience or are simply keen to give it a go, we'd love for you to join us. It's a fantastic way to meet new people and learn new skills. Come and be part of the fun team!

If you are interested in helping or know someone who might be, please do not hesitate to email Michael Wraight at [barstaffatstjohns@gmail.com](mailto:barstaffatstjohns@gmail.com).

# SOUND BATH

By Lucia

Experience healing through sound!

FRIDAY 15 NOVEMBER  
7:30 PM - 09:00 PM

St. John's Church  
Grove Ln, KT1 2SU

£25pp OR £15 each

Contact to book:  
07800913250



Please come to our café at St John's Church in Kingston.

Open Thursdays (term time only) from 10-11:30am

We have a range of hot and cold drinks and snacks handmade by the Sixth Form Department at Bedelsford School.



## Safeguarding

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility! All church volunteers are encouraged to learn basic safeguarding awareness. Free online training is available through the Diocese at the Safeguarding Training Portal.

Our Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO) is Grant Vanstone, who can be contacted at:

**Grant: 07976 822992**

**Email: [safeguarding.stjohnskingston@gmail.com](mailto:safeguarding.stjohnskingston@gmail.com)**

## A FOCUS ON GENEROSITY

This month we are focusing on generosity with sermons and talks supported by a Giving pack which explains what St John's costs, where our money comes from and how we all share in maintaining the building and ministry. Sincere thanks go to all who currently support St John's through regular monthly or weekly giving plus give their time and talents. We rely on you to help meet our £4,215 monthly contribution to the Diocese which pays for ministry here and supports parishes with fewer resources than us and helps towards our running costs. To contribute via a regular bank standing order, or a one-off gift, please mark your donation as 'Gift' to:

**Kingston St Johns DCC**

**Sort code: 60-60-02 Account No: 11610220**

At services you can put cash into the collection bag as it is passed around before the Offertory. Plus,

there are Gift Aid envelopes available or cards you can pop into the bag to signal you already donate by standing order.

If you prefer a contactless option, we have Card Readers available on the Welcome Table and are trialling a fixed card machine this month. Or you can simply point the camera on your phone to the **QR code** here and follow the link to [givealittle.co.uk](http://givealittle.co.uk).



You can also find this link on our website – click on the DONATE button top right.

### SERVICES:

No Morning Prayer

**Sundays** – Holy Communion service with Diddy Disciples at 10am.

Junior Church at 4:30 pm &

**1st Sundays** of the Month – All Age Holy Communion Service at 10 am

**3rd Sundays**  
9am Said HC service.

10am Reflections Service with Diddy Disciples.

### CHURCH CONTACTS

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