



Welcome

Especially if this is your first visit - we hope you will enjoy the service. If you need any help during the service please ask the person at the door or the person sitting next to you. We hope that you will be able to stay after the service for coffee. Please do introduce yourself to one of the clergy or a member of the welcome team, who would love the chance to get to know you better.

To find out more about the life at St. John's & St. Anne's please visit: www.stjohnshythe.org

Mark 4.26 - 34

The Parable of the Growing Seed



Services for this week, June 17th – 3rd Sunday after Trinity

St Anne's	15:30	Open House	Rev Jo Elvidge / Chris Stubbington
St John's	08:00	Holy Communion	Rev Jo Elvidge
	10:30 18:30	Holy Communion Evensong	Rev Jo Elvidge Rev Jo Elvidge
Readings:			
1 1 Samuel 15.3	34 - 16.13		
2 2 Corinthians 5.6 - 17*		Diana Lushington	G Mark 4.26 - 34
4 Jeremiah 7.1	- 16		
5 Romans 9.14	- 26		
(*Sole reading of	at 1030 service)	
Intercessions		Margaret Puttock	
Hymns	10:30	834, 197, 774, 246	
•	18:30	648, Psalm 39, 353, 718	

Events Calendar – this week – Monday 18th June – Sunday 24th June

Mon 18 June	Julian Meeting - 28 Atheling Road	19:30	
Tue 19 June	Holy Communion - St John's Shoppers' Pause for Thought	09:00 10:45	Rev Jo Elvidge Ray Richiardi
Fri 22 June	Holy Communion - St John's	10:00	Rev Jo Elvidge

Prayers. You are invited to join in saying prayers every Monday to Friday in St John's: Morning Prayers at 08:30 and Evening Prayers at 17:30

If you organise an event, meeting or group activity: Please check with the Parish Office to ensure there isn't a clash with your event and, if you want it to appear in the Pew Sheet, send the details to Bob Joughin, preferably by Email, to r.joughin@btinternet.com or by phone: 023 8087 9992 as early as possible. In addition, please contact the Parish office to arrange a baptism or marriage. The telephone number for the Office is: 023 8084 4336.

Craft and Chatter - Every Friday, 10:30-12:00 in the church. All welcome.

John's Bell Ap-peal - please help to get the bell ringing again in time for the centenary of Armistice Day in November. Cheques should be made payable to 'St Johns PCC Hythe', stating clearly that the donation is for the St John's Hythe Bell Ap-peal. Please use a Gift Aid envelope, if you are a tax payer, or an ordinary envelope if you are not, and hand it in to the hall office or the Church Warden

Services for next week, June 24th - Patronal Festival

St Anne's	09:00	Holy Communion	Rev Jo Elvidge	
St John's	08:00 10:30	Holy Communion Patronal Festival	Rev Jo Elvidge Rev Jo Elvidge	
Readings: 1 1 Samuel 15.34 - 16.13 3 2 Corinthians 5.6 - 17 4 Romans 9.14 - 26		Marian Wride Diana Lushington	G Mark 4.26 - 34	
Intercessions		Ray Richiardi		
Hymns	10:30	589, John the Baptist (Rear cover), 192, 500		

Prayers and Gospel reading for today

Collect

Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts whereby we call you Father: give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious liberty of the children of God; 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.

Amen

Post Communion Prayer:

O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining and whose power we cannot comprehend: show us your glory so far as we can grasp it, and shield us from knowing more than we can bear until we may look upon you without fear; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Amen

Invitation to Communion: Everyone is welcome at the altar rail at the time of communion. If you normally take the bread and wine in your own church you are welcome to do so here. If you prefer to receive a blessing, please carry the service booklet with you as a sign for the servers.

Gospel Reading: Mark 4.26 - 34

Hear the Gospel of the Lord

Glory to you, O Lord

He also said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come."

He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.."

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ