# The Churches of St John the Baptist & St Anne The Parish of Hythe



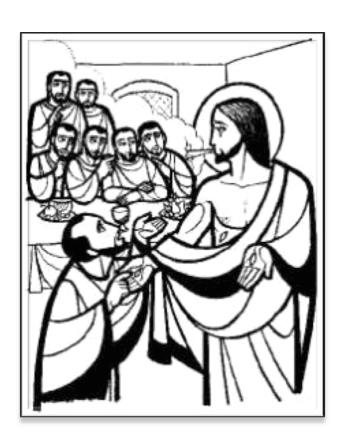
### Welcome

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: <u>www.stjohnshythe.org</u>

John 20.19-end

Then he said to Thomas ..... 'Do not doubt but believe'



Services for this week, April 28th	– 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter
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St A	nne's	10:30	Holy Communion followed by the APCM and lunch.	Rev Jo Elvidge
1 Acts 5.27-32 2 Revelation 1.4-8			Sue Wood Diana Gribble	G John 20.19-end
Intercessions			Marian Wride	
Hymns 10:30 32, 7			798, 150, 200	

## Events Calendar – this week – Monday 29th April – Sunday 5th May

Mon 29 April	Julian Meeting - 28 Atheling Road	19:30	
Tue 30 April	St John's - Holy Communion Shoppers' Pause for Thought		Rev Jo Elvidge Des Broomfield
Thu 2 May	Craft and Chatter, St. John's	10:00	
Fri 3 May	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.

The Church's Annual Meeting (APCM) will take place at St. Anne's after the main morning service on Sunday 28th. April. There is no service at St. John's on this day. The Agenda, Minutes of last year's meeting, and the main reports (Annual Accounts, PCC Secretary, Deanery, and MAP Groups) are displayed on the cupboards at the back of St. John's. Please read them in advance as they will not be read out at the meeting. If you have any questions, please refer them to Peter Lawson (PCC Secretary) as soon as possible. After the meeting we will continue our fellowship with a shared lunch.

Wednesday Lunch Club. Volunteers are needed to help at our Wednesday lunch club from 11:00 13:30. Please let the office know if you can help. Thank you.

*Plant and May Fair - Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May.* Please get planting and potting. We also need packets etc. to be donated for the tombola stall (no tins please).

Indoor Market and Coffee Shop. We are seeking helping hands for the coffee shop in the Hall on a Tuesday morning. Our wonderful volunteers are looking for help with serving and washing up from 9-1pm. It is a thriving outreach opportunity for St Johns and any help will be welcomed with open arms - as much or as little as you can give. Please get in touch with Lauren in the office for further details. A huge thank you in advance!

# Services for next week, May 5<sup>th</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

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St John's	08:30 10:30 18:00	Holy Communion Holy Communion Jubilatte	Rev Roger Edwards Rev Edgar Ruddock Rev Jo Elvidge
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Intercessions		David Blomley	
Hymns 10:30 834, 18:00 Jubil		l, 494, 413, 743 pilatte	

# Prayers and Gospel reading for today

#### Collect

Almighty Father, you have given your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification: grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedmess that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alve and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

# **Post Communion Prayer:**

Lord God our Father, through our Saviour Jesus Christ you have assured your children of eternal life and in baptism have made us one with him: deliver us from the death of sin and raise us to new life in your love, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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: John 20.19-end

## Hear the Gospel of the Lord

## Glory to you, O Lord

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you."

After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you."

Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe."

Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book.

But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ