

St Anne's Church, West Heath Church Warden's Update September 2024

This is the eighteenth update.

The arrangements for Sunday services in September are:

1st September: 10 am Morning Worship Service led by Lay Preacher Steve Wright, including J.A.M. Club.

8th September: 10 am Holy Communion Service led by Revd. Jayne Crooks, including J.A.M. Club.15th September: 10 am Morning Worship Service, including J.A.M. Club. Service led by Church Warden Georgina Arnold with Reader Joan Ayre preaching the sermon.

22nd September: 10 am Harvest Festival Service, led by our Eco Warriors, including J.A.M. Club.

- 29th September: 10 am Morning Worship Service led by Lay Preacher Steve Wright, including J.A.M. Club.
- Revd. Jayne Crooks will lead a Holy Communion service on Thursday 5th September at 10:30 am in St Francis Chapel.
- August has been a relatively quiet time at church allowing everyone to 'recharge their batteries' ready for a much busier Autumn.
- Elaine Sparey and Peter Baker have been very busy in recent weeks working in the church garden.
- I didn't get as far as re-varnishing all the exterior doors so hopefully Peter Baker and I will manage to do this during September.
- Mothers' Union enjoyed an afternoon tea at their meeting on Tuesday 13th August.
- Janet Bradley has trained a group of people to act as servers during communion. Thank you to everyone who volunteered.
- The Standing Committee met and agreed that a number of items on the church inventory that are either broken or no longer needed can be disposed of, sold or donated to charity. This means that I can now book a skip for later in September.
- The Standing Committee updated the 'terms of condition of hire of the church halls'.
- All the members of the PCC attended a 'Basic Safeguarding' training session on Thursday 29th August led by Revd Theresa Morton.
- The deadline for applications for the job of Rector of St Laurence, Vicar of St Anne and Oversight Area Minister is Sunday 8th September. If there are any suitable applicants they will be interviewed on Monday 23rd September. Ian Bradley and I are on the interview panel.
- Amy Greaves Dance School will be starting to use the church hall each Thursday evening starting on Thursday 12th September.
- The Church Leaders Team, the Pastoral Team and the Standing Committee continue to meet once a month. These meetings help us ensure that we are well organised during the interregnum.
- I hope that the combination of weekly notice sheets, PCC minutes and Warden Updates are keeping everyone well informed about what is happening at St Anne's.
- If you have any questions, ideas or concerns about the interregnum please speak to me.

Thank you for your ongoing support, Georgina Arnold 31st August 2024