# ST AUBIN METHODIST CHURCH



DIARY DATES - APRIL 2025

# Please note these dates and come along whenever you can,

- a warm welcome awaits you.



Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> April – <u>NO MORNING WORSHIP AT ST AUBIN.</u> We will be joining with St Aubin on the Hill for their Celebration Service when they will mark the retirement of Rev Bill Matthews

MONDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> APRIL - 10am - 12noon - SCRABBLE TIME - more information from Marlene on 744374 or Mary on 743198.

TUESDAY 8th April - 2.30pm - EXPLORING THE BIBLE - 2.30pm to 4.00ish with Dr Nola Webster. All welcome!

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> April – 10.30am – Local Arrangement Service for Palm Sunday led by Helen Cooke & members of our congregation.

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> April – 12noon – a short act of worship led by Rev Peter at the end of Coffee Morning Maundy Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> April – 7pm – Service at Ebenezer, led by Rev Keith.

Good Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> April – 10.00am – Messy Family Service led by Rev Keith at St Helier Methodist Centre. 10.30am – Circuit Service at St Helier Methodist Centre led by Rev Dawn.

# Sunday 20th April EASTER SUNDAY - 6.00AM - Sunrise Service

Location: Off the loop road opposite Les Fontaines Tavern, La Route du Nord, St John. This short service will be led by Rev Peter and hot drinks will be served afterwards.

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> April – 10.30am – Easter Service of Holy Communion led by Rev Peter Goodhall.** Please remember to bring your posy to decorate the cross and, if you are able, to bring extra posies to share with others.

<u>Tuesday, 22<sup>ND</sup> April</u> – <u>Exploring the Bible</u> – 2.30pm to 4.00ish with Dr Nola Webster. All welcome! <u>Tuesday, 22<sup>ND</sup> April</u> – Leadership Team meeting at 7.00pm

FRIDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> APRIL - NEW - Friday Reset - inspired by Rebecca Lawrence, and led by Rebecca & Helen Cooke. This will take the form of a half-hour meditation, with hot chocolate afterwards. These sessions will take place on the last Friday of the month at 6pm - this will be the second one! All welcome.

SATURDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> APRIL - PARISH OF ST BRELADE LIBERATION 80 EVENT - 12.00NOON TO 6.00PM. Save the date of THE FAMILY FUN DAY which will be filled with music, food stalls, bouncy castles and lots more. Our church will be hosting the Parish's Liberation Exhibition so will be open to the public from 12NOON.

Saturday 26<sup>TH</sup> April - Question Time - 12pm to 1pm at the Town Church Hall. Hosted by Matthew Price.

The President & Vice-President of the Methodist Conference will be joined by the Justice minister, Chief of Police and representatives from JAAR, Freeda, Sanctuary Trust and Kairos Arts to discuss the issue of domestic abuse and violence in Jersey. The event has been chosen to honour the topic of this year's Methodist Prayer Handbook, which is Praise and Protect. All welcome.

# Sunday 27th April - NO MORNING SERVICE AT ST AUBIN BUT

**History Walk - 10.30am - To celebrate 250 years of Methodism** in the island, Jean Treleven, Blue badge Guide and member of St Helier Methodist Centre, will lead an historic one-hour walk through St Helier, exploring the lives of the early Methodists in Jersey.

Spaces will be limited so to book your ticket please contact the Circuit Office (details overleaf). If the walk is over-subscribed it is hoped that another will be arranged for those on the waiting list.

#### **Circuit Service - 3pm at St Helier Methodist Centre**

The Revd Helen Cameron (President of the Methodist Conference in Great Britain) and Carolyn Godfrey (Vice-President) will lead this special Sunday service for the entire Circuit, which will be followed by afternoon tea. We look forward to coming together to celebrate this momentous occasion for Methodists in Jersey and hope as many of you as possible can attend!

WEDNESDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> APRIL – 12NOON – METHODIST WOMEN IN BRITAIN - SERVICE AT GEORGETOWN LED BY REV DAWN and followed by a Bring & Share Lunch at 1pm. Rev Keith will give a short talk after lunch.

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May – 10.30am - Local Arrangement Service led by members of our congregation.

# **WEEKLY EVENTS**

**Mondays** (not Bank Holidays) – **DROP IN** – 1.00pm to 4.00pm. Pop in and enjoy chat, a cuppa and, should you wish, time to help with jigsaw puzzles.

**THURSDAYS** – **COFFEE MORNING** – 10am – 12.30pm – for coffee or tea, buttered goodies and friendship.

**FRIDAYS** – **LENT LUNCHES** at the Parish Hall- 12noon – 2.00pm. Donations in aid of The Grace Trust. (Every Friday up until, and including, Good Friday.)



Rev Peter Goodhall has pastoral charge of our church at St Aubin.
His telephone number is 743933 and you can contact him by email should you wish: Email: methodistpeter@gmail.com



Mrs Lorraine Wheeler is a Circuit appointed pastoral worker who will be assisting Rev Peter in his work. Her telephone number is 07797 748747 and her Email:

lorrainefwheeler@gmail.com

# A message from Rev Peter

A prayer through the events of Holy Week

God of the Palms, we give you praise and thanks for the work of Jesus in our world and in our lives.

God of Bethany, you spent time with your friends and disciples in the household of Lazarus who died and was raised:

we pray for those who find themselves alone and for those who mourn the death of a loved one.

God of the Last Supper, you washed the feet of your friends, you broke bread in friendship and sacrifice: help us to serve those in need.

God of the Good Friday cross,

you suffered and died that we might know your love: be with those who suffer and with those who are dying.

May they know the strength of your love for them.

God of Holy Saturday, teach us the patience of waiting: when the work is done but the time of resurrection has not yet come,

give us patient hearts and a strong faith that supports us and supports others in the times of darkness.

God of the Resurrection, you burst forth from the tomb on Easter day,

bringing light and life to a needy and dying world: enable your church here in St Aubin and throughout the world to reveal your light and life today.

Amen.

#### A New Venture - Friday Re-Set

Join us in church on the last Friday of each month for a 30-minute time of guided reflection and gentle mindfulness to close off the week.

Come as you are. Leave refreshed.

Speak to Helen or Rebecca for more information and come along on Friday 25th April.

# The **Methodist** Church

#### Invitation To Church Membership

If you would like to explore becoming a member of our church, please have a word with Reverend Peter and he will be pleased to discuss it with you.

#### The Circuit Office contact details.

Email: circuit.office.jsy@gmail.com

Telephone: 07797 965959 Mornings Monday to Friday.

# Two dog collars!

#### Please note:

Rev Peter will be taking a sabbatical, as well as some holiday time, so will not be with us from the 1<sup>st</sup> May until the 20<sup>th</sup> August. We will all miss him (including Dolly!) but we wish him a wonderful time of rest, relaxation and refreshment.



#### **NEWS FROM THE BIARRITZ**

The Biarritz Hotel will be opening for the summer season on Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> April.

The menu has been totally revised and the restaurant is open to everyone so why not try coffee on the terrace, lunch served between 12noon and 4.00pm every day (with a special £13.95 two course menu with various choices available), or dinner in the evening.

Morning Prayers are held in The Sanctuary every weekday at 8.45am. It would be great to see some locals attending from time to time to support the Christian mission of the Hotel.

#### **LOOKING AHEAD**

14 June - Summer Fayre

6 July - Christening of Ivy-Rose

28 September - Harvest Festival

14 October - Circuit Meeting

#### **Concerts**

7 July – Harmony Men

21 Aug - UK Acapella Choir

# **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

During Liberation week we will be hosting the Parish's Liberation Exhibition and we intend to have our Church open EVERY DAY during this week, 5<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> May.

**Volunteers are needed to help with church opening, please.** Mary or Jill will be happy to sign you up if you are able to help or wish to know more.