

## Occasional Services

Those who live in the Parish may ask for various services. These include:

**Baptism:** For their children or themselves. Baptism marks the beginning of a journey of faith and becoming part of the Christian church. If people feel that Baptism is not for them, or not yet, there is a service of Thanksgiving which is an opportunity to thank God for the birth of a child and to ask God's blessing on him or her.

**Marriage:** Where one of the two people who wish to be married lives in the Parish, has a qualifying connection, or is on the Electoral Roll, the couple can be married by banns. Those who have married before may be married in Church in some circumstances; otherwise a service of Prayer and Dedication may be possible.

**Confirmation:** This is available for young people or for adults who wish to make for themselves the promises made for them at infant baptism. Preparation classes usually follow the Emmaus programme.

**All Souls:** This is a special service held around All Saints Day in November to remember the faithful departed.

**Pastoral needs:** Where people are sick or housebound, we are pleased to take communion to them, or simply just visit. Prayer, with laying on of hands, blessing of a house, formal confession and absolution, and other pastoral services can be arranged.

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### Further Information

Please contact the Vicar, Church Wardens or the Parish Office, which is adjacent to the main entrance of the Church and is open on Wednesdays from 9:30am until 12:30pm. You can visit then or leave messages at any time on 01344 761521. You may also send an email to [parishoffice@crowthorneparishchurch.org.uk](mailto:parishoffice@crowthorneparishchurch.org.uk)

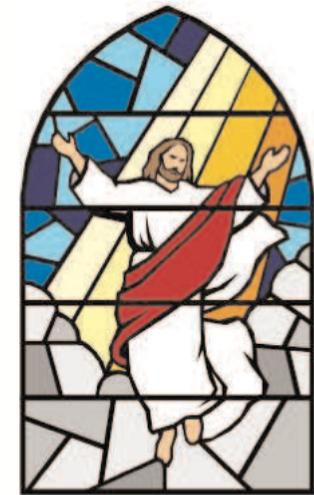
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# St John the Baptist Parish Church, Crowthorne



Waterloo Road, Crowthorne  
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**Everyone welcome!**

## Regular Sunday Services

**8:00am Holy Communion**  
A quiet, spoken service using the traditional language of Common Worship, except on the 3rd Sunday of the month when we use the Book of Common Prayer.



**10:00am Parish Eucharist**  
Sung Eucharist using Common Worship with seasonal Orders of Service. On special Sundays (e.g. Mothering Sunday) there is All Age Worship, occasionally without the Eucharist. There is a crèche for children under 3, Sunday School for children aged 3-11, and Pathfinders for teenagers.

**6:00pm Evening Service**  
The style of services varies month by month. See the website for details of evening services, or pick up a schedule in the Church foyer.

## Midweek Services

**10:00am Wednesday**  
Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) in the Lady Chapel

**11:00am**  
Minus Five's Service.  
(All carers welcome!)

**Friday**  
**6:15pm**  
Prayers for the Sick

## Church Activities

**Young People**  
There is an active Sunday School which meets during the 10am service in school term-time. We have three age groups: Pre-school, reception and year 1; Years 2 & 3; Years 4-6. We join the congregation to receive a blessing at the end of Communion. Pathfinders, our group for teenagers, joins the service for Communion, and arranges social events for young people too.



**Minus Five's**  
We meet every Wednesday (except during August) from 9:30am until 11:30am in the church hall for adults and children to socialise and have refreshment in the hall. Then we go into the Church around 11 am for action songs and a story. Anyone with children under school age is welcome.

**Mothers' Union**  
This group meets twice a month - on the first Tuesday at 8pm and the second Wednesday at 2.15pm. There is a full and varied programme to which visitors are invited. The Mothers' Union also has a Prayer Group in the Lady Chapel on the third Monday of each month at 9.30am.

## Learning and Growing in Faith

We all need help to grow in our faith, guidance to understand the Bible and time to discuss together what it means to live as a Christian in today's world.

St John's offers a variety of different opportunities to learn and grow, such as:

- Bible study courses
- Ecumenical study groups with other churches in Crowthorne
- Prayer courses
- Confirmation courses



## Prayer and Care

The Church is normally open during the daytime as a place for prayer. The clergy or one of the Pastoral Visiting Group will visit anyone who is housebound, lonely, or just wishes to talk, and the Vicar is happy to receive requests for prayer.

We pray for each street in the Parish in the Sunday Services during the year.

