



St John the Evangelist, Dormansland

Sunday 13th September 2026 –

Trinity 15 – Pet Service

Today's Hymns:

Introit

21 – All things bright & beautiful

Offertory

557 – Who put the colours in the rainbow

Communion

328 - Make me a channel of your peace

Post Communion

405 – One more step along the way I go

Collect

Lord God, defend your Church from all false teaching and give to your people knowledge of your truth, that we may enjoy eternal life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Readings

Reading Genesis 1: 20-25 (Pet Service)

And God said, "Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky."

So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day. And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

Gospel Reading – Matthew 18:21-35

Then Peter came and said to him, "Lord, if my brother or sister sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. For this reason, the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him, and, as he could not pay, the lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him by the throat he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.

Morning Prayer

9am Monday - Thursday on Zoom the link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81989590555?pwd=MUNnb0NwaUpUbHBiMnQzVm9wd0Q4UT09> Passcode 149674

Compline on Zoom

Wednesday 8pm – Link is:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/74615258857?pwd=QXfPyoDEbLeuxPq5sCNBcQDsfcTCgyX.1>

Meeting ID: 746 1525 8857

Passcode: compline

Live Streaming

Please be aware that this service will be live streamed on YouTube. (which means you can send the link to your friends and family so they can see you and your lovely pet online!) Usually, the congregation will not be filmed but in this service, everyone who brings their pet up for a blessing will be in camera shot. If you do not wish to be recorded, please speak to a churchwarden or Mr Clive Cobby who will advise you where to stand when you come up for your pet to be blessed.

One off Events

Meeting Up

All are welcome to come and join us for tea, coffee, cake and a chat on the first and third Tuesdays of the month at the Centenary Room/Penny's Place 10am-12noon. Next meeting is **Tuesday 15th September**
See you there!

Live Streaming

St John's Dormansland 10.00am service 13th September 2026
<https://youtube.com/live/I7nhdLkhIXc?feature=share>

Quiz & Fizz

On **Saturday 26th September**, St John's are hosting an evening of quiz, fizz & pizza!
Arrive at **6:30pm** for quiz to start at **7pm**.

Teams of 6, £10 per person (includes pizza). BYOB!

MUST book in advance at vicar.dormansland@gmail.com



The College of St Barnabas

Heritage Open Day –
Saturday 19th September, 11:30am-4pm. Guided tour, Stationary Engine Display, Local History Group & much more!

Evensong at 4pm
Free Entry & Free Parking

Christmas Market

On **Saturday 14th November** St Peter & St Paul are holding their annual Christmas Market.

Open 11am-3pm, come along to support the local businesses selling their products. You can also enjoy a nice turkey roll and a glass of Mulled Wine! We will also be holding a raffle at 3pm! See you there!

Toy Swap

Saturday 10th October, 10:30am-12:30pm, at Dormansland War Memorial Hall.

If anyone has good quality clean toys they would like to donate for the Toy Swap, please leave at the back of St John's church or email

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Refreshments available.