

Hello again

Suddenly, it seems, we are at the end of August and heading into the 'new term' that begins in September. However, not all our activities will return due to the current pandemic, please watch our website and social media posts to find out what is happening when. One thing we know is happening is that the schools go back next week and we pray for all children, teachers and school staff as they look to welcome all pupils back into school safely.

Harvest

September is also Harvest month and although we cannot celebrate in our usual way, we do want to mark this special time of year so we will be putting some prayer stations up in church where we can pray for food producers and for a safe harvest. We will also be collecting for those in need so when you go into church either for a Sunday service or for private prayer on Wednesday or Saturday there will be a collection point for items to be donated to the food bank. Please place your gift in the box (don't touch anything else) and we will thank God for all the gifts at a special **Harvest service on Sunday 27th September** before taking them down to the Food Bank.

The food bank are particularly asking for these items.....

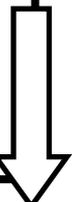
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- ◇ UHT Milk
 - ◇ Tea bags and coffee
 - ◇ Biscuits
 - ◇ Pasta, rice and noodles
 - ◇ Pasta and curry sauces
 - ◇ Jam, peanut butter, chocolate spread, marmite and marmalade
 - ◇ Tins of: fruit, vegetables, meat, fish, soup, puddings and rice pudding
 - ◇ Breakfast cereals
 - ◇ Fruit juice / squash
 - ◇ Shampoo, shower gel, toothpaste, razors, sanitary products and toilet rolls
 - ◇ Dog food
 - ◇ Cat food

 Open Doors

**STANDING
STRONG LIVE
webinar**

Open Doors is one of the organisations we support as a Church and some of us would normally attend their annual Standing Strong conference. This year like many organisations they are having to move on-line. If you would like to join their next on-line prayer webinar go to:

<https://www.opendoorsuk.org/resources/standing-strong-live/>



Join us for The Big Church Read this September!

The Big Church Read is a national church book club lead by Hodder Faith. It will launch on **21 September 2020** with one of Hodder Faith's leading titles, *The Ruthless Elimination of Hurry* by John Mark Comer – a book that encourages us to unplug and slow down in order to follow Jesus and live the life God intends for us.

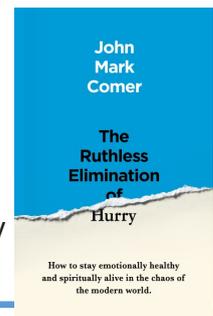
There will be a video released each Monday evening where John Mark Comer will introduce the themes of that week's chapter so groups can discuss with their friends, prompted by a range of starter questions which are available for free in the resource pack

We are looking to create one or more groups across the Minster who can meet weekly (via zoom) to discuss their thoughts on the book.

If you would like to join us, please let me know. You can also join the book club but not join the zoom meeting if zoom is not your thing, let me know and we can look at other options for you to feedback your views.

The Ruthless Elimination of Hurry

The Ruthless Elimination of Hurry is the book that everyone in the UK Church is talking about. It offers a fresh, challenging and compassionate response to busyness, based on the way of life Jesus offered his disciples. Join John Mark Comer this September as he launches the Big Church Read – a free, six-week, collective exploration of the ideas that have helped him slow down, follow the way of Jesus and change his life.



A Date for your diary

This year's **Annual Parochial Church Meeting** will be held by zoom on **Tuesday 13th October at 7:30pm.**

Details including the link to the meeting will be sent out closer to the time.

Don't forget that you can join us for After Church Coffee via zoom each Sunday starting at 12:30pm.

After church coffee

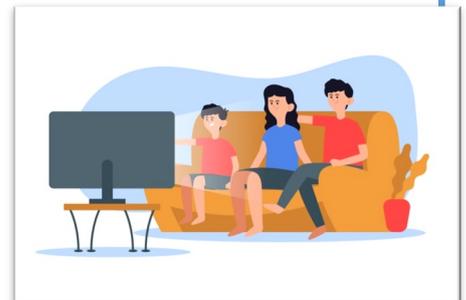
If you would like to join us but are not sure how, then please get in touch.

Sunday at 12:30am Note the new time :)

Please join us on the link:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87324356137?
pwd=ckdVMTN6eS9GMjRveUMyMWwvT1ZVZz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87324356137?pwd=ckdVMTN6eS9GMjRveUMyMWwvT1ZVZz09)

Or by telephone on 0203 481 5240
quoting Meeting ID: 873 2435 6137 and Password: 721159



God Bless

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