

## St J's Diary & Notices: w/c Sunday, 04/01/2026

(Please note these have been prepared at short notice and with no time for the usual consultation...)

			
(1 <sup>st</sup> in month) Sunday, 04/01/2026 Christmas 2	11.00	1982 Family Eucharist (Church); Godly Play (Hall); refreshments afterwards (Hall)	
	18.00	Choral Evensong (Church)	For Epiphany; see posters
	Any time*	Service online	<a href="http://www.stjohnsdumfries.org">www.stjohnsdumfries.org</a> *Available on website from about same time as actual event & for some days thereafter
Monday, 05/01/2026	09.00-12.00	Malory Nursery First Aid Training (Hall)	
	10.00-17.00	Church Office open	
	18.00-20.00	Mystery Evening (Hall)	For P1-4 age children. 07754 596140 / 07520 006290 for details.
	19.30-21.00	Healing Group Meeting (Rectory)	
Tuesday, 06/01/2026	18.30	1982 Eucharist (Lady Chapel)	For Epiphany. Service will be sung [=longer] and include use of incense
	19.15-21.00	'Advent'* Group A Son is Born (Rectory)	*Finishing off this course. May not run this week: 07754 596140 for details.
	19.15	Short Mat Bowling (Hall)	Just turn up
Wednesday. 07/01/2026	10.30	1970 Eucharist (Church), followed by refreshments (Hall)	
	19.00	Choir Practice (Church)	
Thursday, 08/01/2026	14.00	Mothers' Union Eucharist	All welcome, though technically, this is the second Thursday. See notice below
	19.00	Prayer Meeting/ discussion on last Sunday's gospel	At Annette's. All welcome. Church Office can put you in touch.
	19.30	Bell Practice (Tower)	Please contact <a href="mailto:bells@stjohnsdumfries.org">bells@stjohnsdumfries.org</a> or 07754 596140 if not a regular.

			
Friday, 09/01/2026	10.00-17.00	Church Office open	
	12.00	Friday Prayers for World Peace (Church)	30 mins or so, followed by tea/coffee. All welcome. Just show up.
Saturday, 10/01/2026			
(2 <sup>nd</sup> in month) Sunday, 11/01/2026 Epiphany 1	11.00	1982 Family Eucharist (Church); Godly Play Activity Bags available; refreshments afterwards (Hall)	
	18.00	Contemporary Worship (Church)	
	Any time*	Service online	<a href="http://www.stjohnsdumfries.org">www.stjohnsdumfries.org</a> , *Available on website from about same time as actual event & for some days thereafter

If you need to contact St John's, for any purpose, you can do the following:

- The Rev Jim Booth, Interim Priest, has the Rector's phone (07487 653069) throughout the Vacancy, and any emails addressed to [rector@stjohnsdumfries.org](mailto:rector@stjohnsdumfries.org) will be received by him (and only him).
- Please do not contact the Rectory landline (01387 254126) meantime; it is currently out of use.
- For most things, you can contact the Church Office (07754 596140) / [pastadmin@stjohnsdumfries.org](mailto:pastadmin@stjohnsdumfries.org). The Office will continue to be open Mondays and Fridays and most other weekdays besides, except Wednesdays, but please call before making a special trip.
- So, in general, normal service will continue, under exception of the Rectory landline.

**We have a new external noticeboard!!** Very many thanks to Kay Solaja for designing, building and installing it. Please be patient while it is populated.

## **QUARTZ INFORMATION:**

- [Forest church](#) once a month in Dumfries
- [CLC meetings](#) every second Monday
- For all Quartz information:  
<https://www.ancient-pathways.co.uk/>
- Our usual meeting time is 7.30 till 9. Please let us know if you would like to join us!
- The next gathering as Forest Church will be on the **18th of January**.

## **LOOKING FURTHER AHEAD...**

Date	Activity
17/01/2026	Beetle Drive
30/01/2026	Quiz
21/02/2026	Film at Burns Centre
27/02/2025	Quiz

**The Bible study group, *A Son Is Born*** is, itself, now paused until either Tuesday, 06/01/2025, or the Tuesday after... Didn't get 'enough' Advent? In some places, it's still running! Joiners welcome. 07754 596140 for details.

## FRIDAY AT NOON

- A time of Prayer in St John's for Peace in our world.
- Happens every Friday at 12noon, for about half an hour.
- If like many of us you despair at all that is happening in our world and don't know what to do, come and join us as we pray for peace. Please do not worry about it, just come and join us in this simple time of prayer and lighting candles. This is open to all, not just members of St John's church family.
- Our time of prayer will be followed by Tea and Coffee.
- Several of these sessions have been held so far, each attracting about a dozen people; really pleasing. Still room for plenty more.

## MU NOTICES:

- Please note, our **January Eucharist** will take place on the **second** Thursday of the month, the **8<sup>th</sup> January 2026**.
- We have been asked to pass on **Women's Aid's thanks** to the Congregation for the support they have received, in cash and in kind.

**CHRISTIAN AID DISPLAY:** Christian Aid nationally is 80 years old this year. Our local branch is younger and there is a **display in the Hall** about the work that has been done over the years. May bring back some memories!



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