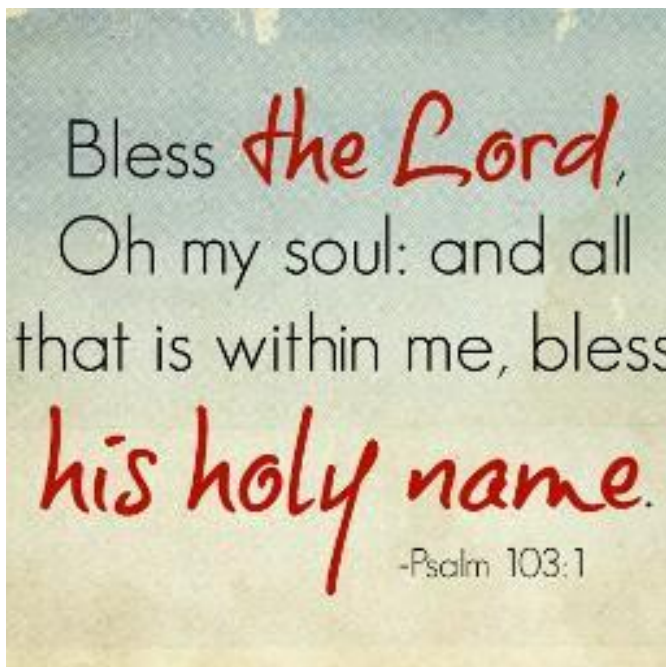


# St Helier Methodist Centre September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023

*All Ages, All Nations, All Stages of Faith*



There won't be a service at St Helier Methodist Centre this Sunday, instead you are all invited to join the service at St.Martin's, Georgetown, Bethesda or Bethlehem. At St Martin's, Tony will continue the mini-series looking at how the Gospel writers began their writings: this week Mark 1:1-8.

Our Children and Youth will continue at the Centre as usual, and next week we celebrate our Harvest Festival giving thanks for Rivers.

## Rotas for September 24<sup>th</sup> Harvest Festival

Flowers	Libby	Meet & Greet	Fiona & David
Sound	David	Vision	Lucas
Coffee/Tea	Hazel & Jane & Trevour		

## Stewards' Duties for September 24<sup>th</sup>

Welcome	Sue	Vestry	Francis
Helper	Jan		

### This Week at the Centre

Mon 18 <sup>th</sup>	Rascals – Toddlers aged 2+	10-12.00
Tue 19 <sup>th</sup>	Rascals – New-born under 6 months	10-12.00
Wed 20 <sup>th</sup>	Rascals – Crawlers aged 1+	10-12.00
Thur 21 <sup>st</sup>	Café Teas/Coffees	10:30-1.00
	Bible Study	11am
	Lunch – Soup	12pm
	Pastoral Committee postponed till Oct 19 <sup>th</sup>	
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Move More Jersey	9:45–11:15
	Café Open for teas and coffees.	
Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Jersey Youth Choir Fundraiser	7pm

**1) The new Methodist Prayer Handbook, Hidden Treasures, and SHMC Year Book, are now available at the back of the church. We're all encouraged to use these as part of our daily devotions.**

**2) Harvest Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September.** Our focus for Harvest gifts this year is our foodbank. As the Jersey Youth Choir have hired out the Church for a concert on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September it makes it a little difficult to decorate the church on the Saturday, therefore we ask for any donations preferably tins of meat and fruit and any dry goods to be brought in to the Church as follows:

- **Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September** between 9:30 and 11:30am, if anyone would like to volunteer to stack the donations that would be great

- **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September** as early as 9:30am, please place these in the church at the front. Bacon rolls will be served from 9.45am onwards

There will not be a Harvest lunch this year however bacon rolls and coffee will be served before the service on Sunday from 9:45am.

**3) Cathy & Tony** will be helping lead an **Ecumenical Service for the Season of Creation - 1 October 2023 6pm Millennium Park**. If the weather is wet, we'll be meeting in our church. Do share in this important occasion with Christians across the island, and bring a chair or rug to sit on.

**4) Please note that the Pastoral Visitor's meeting has been changed to October 19<sup>th</sup> at 10.00am.**

**5) Church Parking.** For anyone who parks at the Church, the top end of Halket place (section just before the turning into Grove St) will be closed from **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September to Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> October**. The traffic has been diverted to come up Don Street and turn right into Grove Street (Motorbike shop on your left). To leave you will need to go back down Grove Street and turn right into Duhamel Place as Don Street will be one way.

**6) Sabbatical,** Rev Dawn will be commencing the first part of her sabbatical from Sunday 24 September to Monday 30 October, although she will also be off island for stationing meetings the previous week. Her plan is to write up her PhD.

**7) Earthday Icon.** Throughout September we have on display the beautiful Earthday Icon, 'written' by the artist Karen Blampied. The church will be open to anyone who would like to view and contemplate it quietly from 11.00am to 1.00 pm, from Wednesday 6 to Friday 29

September. Do pop along and see it. There are cards - £1.50, and a poster - £15- for sale. Cash would be appreciated.

**8) Pride of Jersey Community Champion Awards.** The voting has now closed, we wish Sally, Ellen and Maureen all the best. It is great to be acknowledged for all the work they do within the community.

**9) Tinathon,** for anyone who would like to donate, this year's Tinathon is being held at West's Centre on **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October from 8am to 2:30pm.** The Tinathon is in aid of The Shelter Trust for the Homeless supporting Jersey's needy.

**10) Kairos Arts** are out and about in the community. They will be present at festivals, church celebrations, concerts and monthly at 'Stitch and Natter' which is held at the Salvation Army Café. At each of these events you can find out more about their work and buy their ethical freedom products in person. Please see the notice board for dates or contact the office, [office@methodistcentre.je](mailto:office@methodistcentre.je). Their next pop-up is **Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September, all day at the Coop, Grande Marche, St Helier,** followed by the week **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October, 9am to 4pm at the Salvation Army café.**

**11)** Many thanks to everyone who supported the recent Bible Society Walk. A total of **£4000** was raised!

**12)** Richard Quenault has booked the next Gentlemen's lunch at the Tippy for **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October at 12.30pm.**

Could you please let him know if you will be attending by the end by Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September. Food needs to be pre-ordered let him know what you would like to eat. This is a time of fellowship and getting to know others from around our circuit. Tel: Richard 744052

This week we will remember in prayer **St Matthew's Anglican Church – Glass Church, Rev Phil Warren**