

# St Clement's Parish Church, Jersey



April 23rd 2026

## Dear Church Family

On Tuesday evening, myself, Katie, Jacqueline & Cordelia were at a Deanery Synod meeting, where we spent some time engaging with the Deanery Strategy for 'Making Jesus Known' in our island. To 'make Jesus known', we ourselves need to have confidence in what we know about Jesus, and so we are excited to be able to share more details with you this week about 2 practical ways we can do this.

The first, is through the our **new sermon series starting this Sunday on "what is the Gospel?"** as we spend time in Mark's gospel together. Do prioritise coming on a Sunday, and if for any reason you miss a week, you can catch up our Facebook page.

The second, is by engaging with '**The Bible Course**', where we will gather over **8 weeks in the Caldwell Hall on Tuesday evenings from 12th May**, to understand the big picture of the Bible and how it helps to make sense of life. Through teaching on film, and discussion rounds tables, we will be able to grow in our understanding of the Bible, and how God reveals himself through it. We would love as many of us as possible to join in with this initiative, in order to increase our confidence in the Bible, which is so important for us today, with more people reading the Bible generally and the younger generations asking more questions about faith. Let's make sure we're equipped together for making Jesus known to those around us. The course also provides a great opportunity for those exploring faith to see what God has to say about life. So from Sunday, there will be posters at both worship centres, and flyers to take away and give to family, friends & neighbours, containing further details and how to sign up. If you want to sign up now, please use this

link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/1987899919171?aff=oddtcreator> or the advert attached, and if for any reason you aren't able to sign up online, please speak to us directly to book yourselves in.

Another initiative shared at Deanery Synod to make Jesus known to children, is a first **Deanery-wide Holiday Club taking place in August**. Details are on the attached advert. If you would like to volunteer to help - whether through leading groups, helping with activities, preparing materials, or supporting behind the scenes - please register your interest. And if you have children or grandchildren who might be interested in attending, then please pass details on to them. Let's pray that many children, who don't normally come to church, will experience the love of God in Jesus Christ this summer.

Finally, a few dates for your diary:

The first is part of our continuing desire to open up the Rectory for hospitality. So next Thursday, 30th April, Katie will be hosting **Coffee, Cake & Chat @ The Rectory between 10am and 11.30am**. Please just come along between those times to build community together.

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The second is the date for our annual meetings, which will be **Thursday 21st May from 7pm in the Parish Hall**, where we will hold our Ecclesiastical Assembly followed by our Congregational Meeting. Please put this date in your diary, and make every effort to be there, as we gather together to look back on the past year, elect people to leadership positions in our church, and look forward in faith to all God wants to do in the coming year.

with our love and prayers,

James & Katie.

**The Bible Course**  
NEW EDITION

Starts Tuesday  
12<sup>th</sup> MAY 7pm  
Caldwell Hall

Have you ever wondered what the big story of the Bible is and how it impacts your life?

The Bible Course is an in-person, 8 week course perfect for anyone curious about faith, history, or just looking for some meaningful discussions.

To sign up and for more information go to



or email [stclementjersey@outlook.com](mailto:stclementjersey@outlook.com)



### Upcoming Services and Events

**Sunday May 3rd**

**9am Holy Communion at St Nicholas Church**

**10.30am Holy Communion at St Clement's Church**

**12.15pm Baptism at St Clement's Church**

### Useful information

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Rest period: Friday afternoon - end of Saturday"

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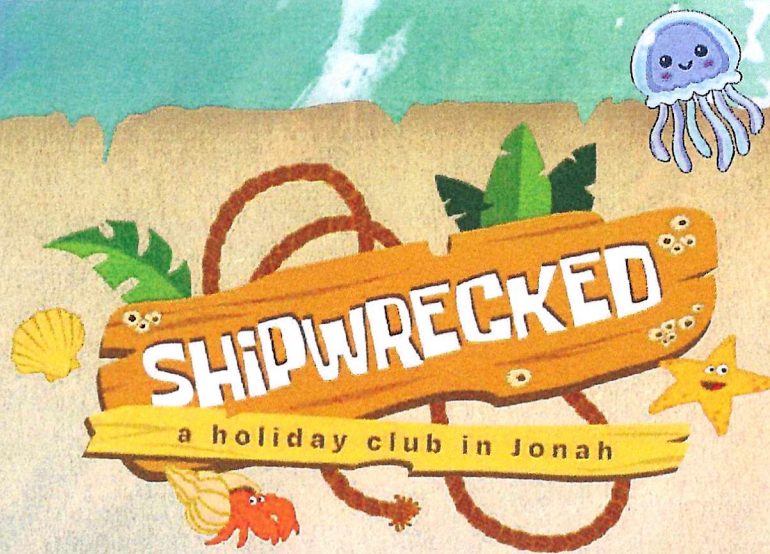
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# A HOLIDAY CLUB RUN BY JERSEY DEANERY

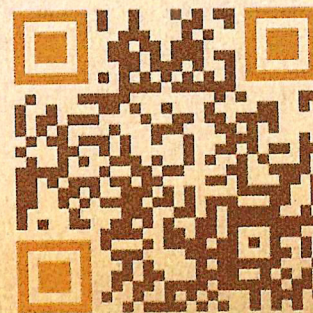
**AUGUST 24<sup>TH</sup>-26<sup>TH</sup> 10-2PM**

**RUN BY JERSEY DEANERY, HOSTED BY ST. MATTHEW'S GLASS CHURCH**

Register your interest to  
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**Welcome to St Clements Parish Church  
Family Service**

**April 26th, 2026**

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship:**

As you promise to be with us Lord Jesus,  
**We welcome you here today.**

**Help us Lord to worship you, To listen to your Word, And to pray in faith,  
That we might grow in our love for you, and one another. Amen.**

**First Hymn:**

**I will sing the wondrous story  
of the Christ who died for me  
how He left the realms of glory  
for the cross of Calvary  
Yes, I'll sing the wondrous story  
of the Christ who died for me  
sing it with his saints in glory  
gathered by the crystal sea**

**I was lost, but Jesus found me  
found the sheep that went astray  
raised me up and gently led me  
back into the narrow way  
Days of darkness still may meet me,  
sorrow's path I oft may tread;  
but his presence still is with me,  
by his guiding hand I'm led.**

**He will keep me 'til the river  
rolls its waters at my feet  
then he'll bear me safely over  
made by grace for glory meet.  
Yes, I'll sing the wondrous story  
of the Christ who died for me  
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gathered by the crystal sea**

### **Confession & Assurance of Forgiveness:**

You have given us so much love,  
**Forgive us when we haven't accepted it.**

You have shown us how to love,  
**Forgive us when we have not learned it.**

You have told us who to love,  
**Forgive us when we have not done it.**

You have told us the cost of love,  
**Forgive us when we have not appreciated it.**

Thank you, that you continue to offer us your love today, through the death & resurrection of Jesus.  
In whose name we pray, **Amen.**

### **The Creed:**

Do we believe and trust in God the Father, source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?  
**We believe and trust in him.**

Do we believe and trust in God the Son, who took our human nature, died for us, and rose again?  
**We believe and trust in him.**

Do we believe in God the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God, and makes Christ known in our world?  
**We believe and trust in him.**

**This is our faith.**  
**We believe and trust in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

### **Second Hymn:**

**Amazing grace how sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me  
I once was lost, but now I'm found  
Was blind, but now I see**

**'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear  
And grace my fears relieved  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed**

*My chains are gone, I've been set free  
My God, my Savior has ransomed me  
And like a flood His mercy reigns  
Unending love  
Amazing grace*

The Lord has promised good to me  
His word my hope secures  
He will my shield and portion be  
As long as life endures

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The earth shall soon dissolve like snow  
The sun forbear to shine  
But God, who called me here below  
Will be forever mine, will be forever mine  
You are forever mine.

**The Bible Reading:**

Mark chapter 1, verses 1 to 20  
(page 706 in the church Bible)

This is the Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

**Talk: What is the Gospel?**

**Song:**

Our God is a great big God  
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Our God is a great big God  
and He holds us in His hands

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Our God is a great big God  
and He holds us in His hands

He's higher than a skyscraper  
He's deeper than a submarine  
He's wider than the universe  
And beyond my wildest dreams  
He's known me and He's loved me  
Since before the world began  
How wonderful to be a part of God's amazing plan

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and He holds us in His hands  
yes He holds us in His hands  
*(quietly)* yes He holds us in His hands  
*(loudly)* yes He holds us in His hands!

**Prayers:** God, you have given us life – may we be generous with our lives and rejoice that you love us.

Inspire leaders to be true shepherds of your people and to exercise their power for the mutual benefit of all.

God, you still the troubled waters and lead us to places of refreshment and stillness. May all who long for peace know your healing touch.

Gather to you all who have died and grant that we may all dwell in your house for ever.

**Lord's Prayer:**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth, as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen**

**Final Hymn:**

**You shall go out with joy  
and be led forth with peace  
and the mountains and the hills  
shall break forth before you.  
There'll be shouts of joy  
and the trees of the field  
shall clap, shall clap their hands**

**And all the trees of the field  
shall clap their hands,  
and the trees of the field  
shall clap their hands,  
and the trees of the field  
shall clap their hands,  
and you'll go out with joy**

*(repeat all the above)*

**Final Prayer:** (The Collect)

Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep:  
teach us to hear your voice and to follow your command,  
that all your people may be gathered into one flock, to the glory of God the Father.  
**Amen**

**The Grace:**

**May the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the Love of God and the fellowship of  
the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen**