

# Youth & Children's Church Newsletter

## Welcome!

Save the Dates!

A warm welcome to all of our Youth, Children and Families.

We hope you enjoy our newsletter See the poster below to see what we are doing in The Children's Chapel during the main service for the summer holidays



**ST FRANCIS CHURCH**  
**9.15 SUNDAY SESSIONS**  
**FOR THE UNDER 9'S:**

**DATES, BIBLE READING AND THEME:** ★

- 24TH JULY: LUKE 11:1-10:**  
**THE LORD'S PRAYER**
- 31ST JULY: LUKE 12.13-21:**  
**THE PARABLE OF THE GREEDY MAN AND HIS BARN**
- 7TH AUG: LUKE 12.32-40:**  
**JOURNEYING WITH GOD**
- 14TH AUG: LUKE 12.49-56:**  
**JESUS INVITES US**
- 21ST AUG - LUKE 13.10-17:**  
**JESUS HEALS ON THE SABBATH DAY**
- 28TH AUG: NO SESSION: ACTIVITY BAGS AVAILABLE**

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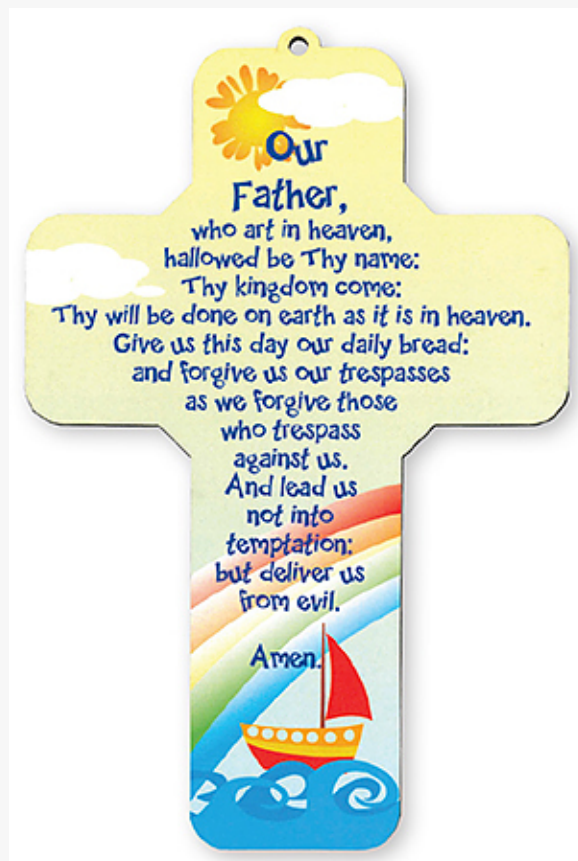


# Our Children & Families Workers

## Our Prayers to share:



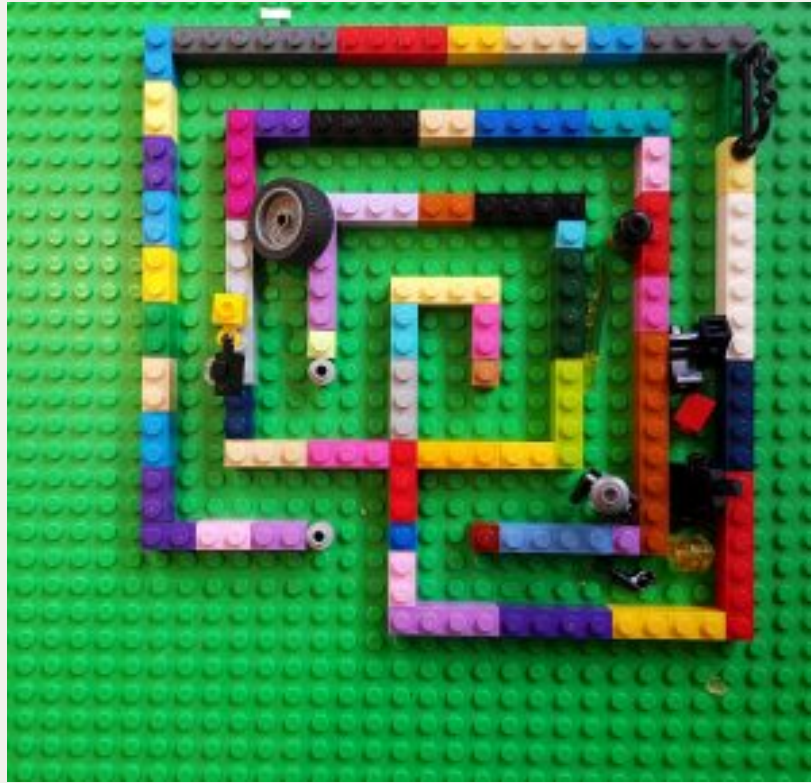
Nikki: Children & Families Worker



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# Finger Labyrinth



"This simple idea is the perfect way to slow down and connect with God.

Walking a labyrinth is an ancient way to pray, using your body to help you focus and go slow"

<https://godventure.co.uk/news/finger-labyrinth/>

Using the link above see if you and your family can create a prayer labyrinth



# Balloon Prayers

Blow up a few balloons, each person write down words to describe God.

Play some music, bop the balloons towards each other, keep them off the ground if at all possible until the music stops.

Everyone discuss what's written on their balloon.

Each time the music stops each write one of the following on the balloons and then discuss what you personally want to say to God for each of these words:

Wow , Help , Please

Thank you, Sorry

This game will have 6 rounds to it.

# THANKFUL



What are you thankful for in your life? Once a week its a great to all draw or write down the things you are thankful this week. This is a great way to stop and think and to be grateful for what we have especially when we are having a tough or challenging week.

St Francis Church would like to invite you and your family to some really fun events that are coming up!

Don't forget to save the dates & share with friends & family



**SF** Francis  
Welwyn Garden City

Join us for Wild Church  
Sunday 11th September @3pm  
Everybody Welcome. Suitable for All Ages

We will be exploring  
'The Friend at Night' Luke 11 whilst we  
walk and explore the woods together

Meet outside Campus West at 2.55pm  
Please note the carpark is shut.

Prayer. Activities. Discussion. Exploration.

Email Nikki or Rachel  
[Children@stfranciswgc.org.uk](mailto:Children@stfranciswgc.org.uk)

Please note and save the date for  
Wild Church November which is now going to be on  
Sunday 6th November instead of Remembrance Sunday

**We would love you & your family join us!**

**ST FRANCIS CHURCH**  
**QUIZ**  
**NIGHT**  
**SATURDAY, 17TH**  
**SEPTEMBER 2022**

**Please invite friends, families or neighbours, get your teams together or come and form a new team. Maximum team size is 8 people including children.**

**Price is £12 per person which includes a fish and chip or chicken and chip supper, vegetarian option also available.**

**PLEASE CONTACT SARAH BRANWHITE  
([PCC@STFRANCISWGC.ORG.UK](mailto:PCC@STFRANCISWGC.ORG.UK)) TO REGISTER  
YOUR TEAM OR FOR MORE DETAILS. ALL TEAMS  
TO BE REGISTERED BY 10TH SEPTEMBER**



Join us to celebrate Harvest with an all-age Eucharist, lunch and conversations around Inclusive Church and Eco Church on Sunday 25th September at 10am

All are welcome.

After our usual Harvest Service everyone is invited to stay for refreshments and lunch, and hear about how St Francis is developing its' role as an Inclusive Church and an Eco Church. We can't do it without you, so we'd love it if you could all stay and listen, ask questions, make suggestions and maybe find ways you can help take us improve. We need all ages and all experiences to share their thoughts and ideas and help us with some new and exciting plans for St Francis Church.

Save the date and watch this space!



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Check out our  
YACC webpage  
& keep up to  
date with all the  
Sunday Church  
materials to do  
at home :

<https://stfranciswgc.org.uk/youth-and-children/>

Join our Zoom  
Prayers  
on Wednesdays  
at 8pm

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