

St John the Evangelist, Bourne End

February 2019

Electoral Roll Renewal

Dear members of St John's Church

This year we are required by the Church of England to renew our Electoral Roll.

Why be on the Electoral Roll?

Being on the Electoral Roll is a way of saying 'I belong' to St John's Church; a sign of commitment to the church family and to God's mission amongst us. Being on the Electoral Roll entitles you to vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) and to stand for election to the PCC - the church's governing body - and roles such as churchwarden. On a practical note, being on the Electoral Roll enables us to let you know about events and activities that are happening throughout the year. Your personal data for the Electoral Roll is processed according to GDPR; you can find more information about this and read our Privacy Notice on the church website (www.stjohnsbourneend.org)

Who can be on the Electoral Roll?

Any lay person who is baptised and over 16 years old can be on the Electoral Roll, provided that they live in the parish or have worshipped at the church regularly for at least six months. To have your name included on the Electoral Roll for St John's Church, please complete the form overleaf and return it to Stephen Fletcher, our Electoral Roll officer by 1st March 2019. If your name is currently on the Electoral Roll you must re-apply as you will not be automatically transferred to the new roll.

The St John's Church Community

One of the special things about St John's is the strong sense of community we find here, a community of very different people who are drawn together by Jesus' love for us and our desire to follow him. I hope that you will not only want to be on the Electoral Roll, but will also be prayerfully asking God how else he is calling you to be part of the body of Christ here. This means thinking about how you can get more involved in taking part in our worship and mission and reflecting on how you can use your gifts and talents to serve God at St John's. I would also encourage you to pray about your financial giving: if you have not signed up to a regular giving scheme, please consider if God is calling you to do this. If you are a regular giver, please consider if God is asking you to increase your giving. Edith Harkins would be delighted to speak to you if you have any questions about giving to St John's.

This is an exciting time in the life of St John's Church and we have much to thank God for. I look forward to continuing to work with you as we seek to grow in faith and to share the love of Jesus even more effectively with our neighbours in Bourne End.

with love and prayers



Revd Rebecca Fardell