

New to St James? Welcome!

KEEP IN TOUCH

If you are new here, we would like to stay in touch with you. Please fill in a leaflet at the back of the Church and hand it to one of the churchwardens.

COLLECTIONS

We do not take up a collection during the service. If you would like to make a contribution towards the Lord's work, there is an offering plate on the table at the back of the Church. Gift Aid envelopes are available if you are a UK tax payer.

If you have been coming here for a while, please consider setting up a Standing Order. Contact the Planned Giving Officer, **Richard Taylor**, for details.

THE PEACE

During Communion Services we share The Peace with each other. Simply turn to those around you, shake hands and say something like "Peace be with you". You may then find that some people will move around the Church to share The Peace more widely.

PRAYER MINISTRY

We offer a personal ministry of prayer every week after the main Morning Service. If you wish to bring anything to God in prayer, and in private, please go to the side chapel at the end of the service where someone will be available to pray with you.

Also, if it is a Communion Service, as you return from the Communion rail, two people will be ready to pray a brief prayer with you if you wish.

HOME GROUPS

Tuesday 10:30 am The Nomads (278387)

Wednesday 2:30pm Follow on Group (412113)
2:30 pm 15 Barrington Close (289367)
7:45 pm 13 Gyffarde Street (972838)
7:30 pm 28 Comeytrowe Lane
(Steve Bradford 337690)
7:30 pm Killams Group (254344)
7:30 pm Hesperia, The Avenue (277916)
7:45 pm Ashley Road (284688)
8:00 pm North Taunton (272931)

Thursday 2:30 pm 27 Priorswood Road (271858)
7:30 pm 21 St Georges Sq (07702982949)
7:30 pm 21 Ryesland Way (490458)
8:00 pm 12 The Avenue (271223)

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All items for inclusion in the bulletin should be received by 12:00 Wednesday

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**Sunday
18th March 2018**

**We welcome all visitors
and friends to our
worship today.**

'Then he will say, 'Depart from me you who are cursed into the eternal fire....' Matthew 25:41

Sunday 18th March Fifth Sunday of Lent

8:30am Prayer Breakfast
in the Church

10:00am Pre-worship Prayer Meeting
in the Inner Office

10:30am Holy Communion (Prayer H)
Led By: James Haddell
Preaching: Geoff Treasure
Matt 25:31-46 Ruth Stevens
2 Thess 1:3-12 Martin Wakefield
Prayers: Bethan Baigent

Theme: The words we don't mention

(The children and young people start at Sunday Club and join us after the Prayers.)

3:00pm Calway House Nicki Bradford

7:00pm Evening Praise and Preaching
Ed Hosken

What's on at St James this week 19th – 24th March

Monday 10:00am Baby and Toddlers in the Large Hall.

Tuesday 9:30am St James School Service in the Church.

Wednesday 9:30am Praise and Play in the Church.
10:00am Art Group in the Large Hall.
11:30am Holy Communion in the Church.

Friday 7:00pm St James Players in the Large Hall.

Saturday 7:30pm Mayor's Charity Concert in the Church.

Sunday 25th March Palm Sunday

10:00am Pre-worship Prayer Meeting
in the Inner Office

10:30am Holy Communion (Prayer E)
Led By: Geoff Treasure
Preaching: Nic Tall
Matt 16:13-23 Richard Carpenter
Matt 21: 1-11 Sue Doyle
Prayers: Julie Kimber

Theme: Your King Comes

(Children and young people start at Sunday Club and join us after Prayers)

7:00pm Praise and Teaching Roger Fenton
Theme: War and Peace

**Please take this Bulletin away with you.
A large Print Bulletin is also available.**

Church Office: 01823 272931 Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday between 10 am and 12.30 pm

Prayer Needs

In your prayers please remember Steve Bradford and Ruth Stevens, who have been chosen by the PCC as our Parish Representatives in the selection of a new vicar.

Please also remember Mike Gillingham who is supporting the ministry at St Peters, as well as retired clergy, readers and church officers, including those who lead services in other places.

Please pray for any others known to us, who are in hospital, unwell at home, or who particularly need our prayers at this time.

In the Prayer Diary this week:

18th	For all involved in translating, publishing and distributing scriptures especially The Bible Society, Gideons and Wycliffe Bible Translators
19th	Alan and Betty Partridge
20th	<i>Gyffarde Street / Gyffarde Court</i>
21st	Wilson Paul; Debbie Paul
22nd	Susie Peeler and family
23rd	Patrick and Sarah Platt and Amelia
24th	Charlene Pitts, Olivia and family

Church Prayer Meetings

During the upcoming vacancy, the Church prayer meetings are a way to join together to encourage one another and pray for the life of the Church.

Upcoming meetings:

Prayer Meeting in Inner Office	8:30am	Every Friday
Pre-worship Prayer Meeting	10:00am	Every Sunday
Church Prayer Meeting in Church (with time of fellowship afterwards)	7:30pm	11th April
Prayer Breakfast in Church	8:30am	18th March
Church Prayer Meeting in Small Hall	7:00pm	24th April

(There will be no Church Prayer meeting in March due to the Passioneaster and Holy week)

Other Prayer Meetings:

Prayer for Taunton at Cannon Street Church	7:30pm	10th April
St James School Prayer meeting at The Hive St James School	8:00am	13th April

This Week

The Church Office will be open as usual this week on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 10am until 12.30pm.

Next Week (26th – 31st March)

Monday	7:00pm	St James Players Rehearsal in the Church.
Tuesday	7:30pm	St James Passioneaster 2018 in the Church.
Wednesday	10:00am 7:30pm	Art Group in the Large Hall. St James Passioneaster 2018 in the Church.
Thursday	7:00pm	Maundy Thursday Meal and Communion in the Church.
Friday	10:30am 2:00pm	Good Friday Service in the Church. Hot Cross buns and coffee from 10am. An hour at the Cross: Good Friday reflection.

Pastoral Visits.

Anyone who would like a pastoral visit, to have the chance to pray with or talk to one of the pastoral team, please contact Annie Reid on 07812130619.

Looking Ahead

Maundy Thursday Meal.

The Last Supper Meal and Communion will be on Thursday 29th March at 7pm. If you would like to come to the meal then please sign the sheet at the back of church.

Annual Meeting.

This will be held on Monday 16 April, at 7.30pm in the church. We will be electing churchwardens and PCC members, and reviewing our current situation. Everyone is encouraged to come to this meeting. Nomination forms will be available shortly.

General Notices

Thursday Fellowship.

On April 5th, we welcome Hazel Prior-Sankey, one of our church family, to speak on her current Mayoral year. Then on 12th Rob, Janet and Chris will be with us for their postponed Musical Afternoon. Do come.

St James Players - Easter 2018.

Tickets are now on sale for the 'Passioneaster 2018'. This will be held at St James on March 27th and 28th at 7.30pm. Tickets cost £5 each and proceeds are in aid of Open Door. They can be obtained after the service from Cynthia or via the church office during the week. Please consider who you would like to invite. For further information contact Jenny Wakefield on 277318.

Electoral Roll.

The Electoral Roll is being revised, so if you have been worshipping here for 6 months or more and you'd like to be enrolled as a member of the church family, please complete the application form at the back of church and give to Sue Doyle or leave in the parish office.

Fairtrade at Easter.

Next Traidcraft Sunday stall: Palm Sunday 25th March. All orders for Easter Eggs and cards will be available for collection. Those wishing to collect before then can make arrangements with Lin and Freda who have access to the Fairtrade cupboard any Sunday they are in church. We would like people to browse the Traidcraft website as there are also SALE items which can also be ordered. Please email orders or get in touch with either Freda or Lin as soon as possible: fredadavis@hotmail.co.uk or Lin.mdavies@btinternet.com.

ROC.

The organisation ROC (Redeeming Our Communities) will be showing a series of documentaries each telling stories of how local communities have been transformed by the presence of God. These will be shown monthly on Friday evenings at 7.30pm at North Street Church. The dates for 2018 are: March 23rd, April 27th, May 25th and June 22nd. Further information can be found at the back of church.

ROC Prayer Meeting. The first ROC united Prayer meeting will be held at Riverside Church on Tuesday 20th March at 7.30pm, aiming to finish by 9pm. Please come and support this event. Could we also please ask that as parking is limited in the area to be mindful of local residents if driving there.

B1 Together.

The next B1 Together worship service is this evening, Sunday 18th March (7pm at North Street). The speaker will be Rick Oldland from Partners in Harvest. More information can be found on the B1 Facebook page.

Easter Postcards.

Postcards showing our Easter services are now available. Jenny is looking for volunteers to distribute some of these in the local area. Please sign up at the back of church if you are able to help.

Church Magazine.

Our latest magazine is now available in full colour. Andrew Slade would appreciate hearing your feedback on the new look to consider for future publications.

Soul Space Social.

This is being held at Wellsprings Chapel next Sunday 25th March at the usual time 6.45pm – 8.15pm. There will be no Soul Space meeting on Easter Sunday, April 1st. **PTO**