

NEXT WEEK AT ST JAMES

Sunday 16th December

10:00am Pre-worship Prayer meeting in the Lounge

10:30am All Age Worship

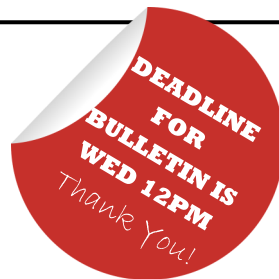
Led By: Fabian Wuyts & Jenny Wakefield

Readers and Prayers: Team

(Children and Young People will be with us for the whole service)

3:00pm Calway House Nicki Bradford

7:00pm Holy Communion Service Richard Lucas/ Hilary Hayes
Worries and Anxieties



COLLECTIONS

If you would like to make a contribution towards the Lord's work, there is an offering plate at the back of the Church. Gift Aid envelopes are also available. If you have been coming here for a while, please consider setting up a Standing Order. Contact **Richard Taylor**, for details.

SITUATIONS VACANT

Coffee Rota: Two volunteers needed bi-monthly for the 3rd Sunday on the coffee rota. If you can help then please see Susie Peeler or contact the Church Office.

Deputy Wardens and Sidespeople:

A number of vacancies on the rota. Please contact Joycey, Ruth or Steve.

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For any information on our Home Groups, please contact Roger.



Welcome to St James

Sunday 9th December

'Being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus' Philippians 1:5

Sunday 9th December

Theme: Preparation and Completion

10:00am Pre-worship Prayer meeting in the Lounge

10:30am Holy Communion (Prayer E)

Led By: Fabian Wuyts

Readers: Jane Dean & Andy Hall

Prayers: Nicki Bradford

Readings: Philippians 1:3-11 & Luke 3:1-6

(Children and Young People will be in the Halls and will join us after the prayers)

7:00pm Evening Praise Service Richard Lucas/ Fabian Wuyts

OUR WEEK AT ST JAMES

Monday	9:30am	School Nativity Rehearsal in Church.
	10:00am	Baby and Toddler in the Halls.
	7:30pm	Prayer for Taunton in the Lounge.
	7:30pm	Home Group Leaders Meeting in the Small Hall.
Tuesday	1:30pm	St James School Nativity in the Church.
	2:30pm	Prayer for Israel and the Middle East in the Lounge
	3:30pm	Holy Communion at Pegasus Court.
	6:15pm	Business Carol Service in the Church.
Wednesday	9:30am	Praise and Play in the Church.
	10:00am	Art Group in the Large Hall.
Thursday	1:45pm	St James School Christingle in Church.
Friday	8:30am	Prayer Meeting in the Lounge.
	1:45pm	St James School Christingle in Church.

CHURCH OFFICE OPENING HOURS

Tues, Wed & Fri 10:00am—12:30pm

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Notices

Christmas is Coming

Christmas postcard post people needed! If you can

deliver postcards with our services on, in the parish area (map at the back of Church), then please take a bundle and note on the sheet which roads you can do. Thank you.

Operation Glove Box!

Hats, gloves, socks and scarves are wanted to hand out to rough sleepers on December 23rd. If you can donate any of these items, it would be very welcome. Please put them in the pink bucket at the back of Church or see Vashti, Fabian or Nadia.

Traidcraft

Last Stall before Christmas here today! Traidcraft have announced that, thanks to record orders and sales that they will continue trading! They will have to make some changes which will be given to us shortly.

There will be no stall during January BUT Michael Hayes and Ellen Price will be happy to serve you from the well stocked cupboard. A donation has gone to the sister charity called Traidcraft Exchange which supports the farmers and artists to continue their work getting a FAIR PRICE in return for their labours. Thanks again for supporting the charity. Freda feels that Lin Davies would have been most satisfied.

Thanksgiving Service

Lin Davies' daughters Anna and Kate, and Alan, her brother, would like to say thank you to all those who have helped and supported them over the past few weeks, and for all the contributions to the Thanksgiving Service.

Prayers

If anyone wants a copy of the prayers at Lin's Thanksgiving Service please see Vicky.

Carols by Candlelight Service - singing practices

These will take place on Thursday evenings at 7.30pm to 9pm in the church on 13th and 20th December. The Carol Service is on Sunday 23rd December at 6.30 pm. We would like to bring together singers to make up a choir for this special service. You do not need to be able to read music to take part but attending the practices is essential. Please speak to Ray or Ruth Crooks to let them know if you are able to join us.

Besom Hampers

The Besom in Taunton hope to be able to give all the recipients of this year's projects a special Christmas hamper as well as making Christmas special for many of the families referred to us by the social working agencies with whom we closely work. We would welcome any contributions towards these hampers by Sunday the 16th December. Suggested items for inclusion in the hampers are:-

Christmas cake/Yule log, mince pies, chocolates/sweets, shortbread, tins of salmon or ham, jars of coffee, Christmas puddings or toiletry items. We will be assembling the Hampers on Monday 17th December at the Rockwell Green Christian Fellowship Church. Many thanks in anticipation of your continued support of Besom. Elaine Fenton

O Yes It Is - Panto 2019 - Jack and the Beanstalk

The Box Office is now open. Tickets available from Cynthia and Andrew on Sundays, Alex in the Office on Tues, Wed and Fri or Jenny on 07796248369.

New Home Group

For those who currently attend an evening home group and would prefer a daytime meeting group, a new group has been formed meeting on Monday mornings.

This group may well suit others, perhaps those who feel a change from their current group would be beneficial. This will be led by Annie Reid, and meeting in her home. Please contact Annie for more details.

C1 Training Course

The next Safeguarding C1 training course will be at Trull Church on 13th January. Bookings via the Diocesan Web site.

<https://www.bathandwells.org.uk/event/c1-safeguarding-training-at-all-saints-church-trull/>

Christingle Money Collection

Thank you to all those who have taken a Christingle candle to collect coins for the Children's Society. The final hand in date for candles is Sunday 6th January 2019.

Business Carols

Each year St James hosts a carol service for people who work in Taunton and others who town chaplains meet in the course of their work. You are invited to come to the service at 6.15 pm here on Tuesday 11th December for an hour. If you can bring your neighbours or work colleagues to hear the Christmas story, that would be wonderful.

The service is designed for everyone. Our speaker is Supt. Matt Allingham of the British Transport Police who pioneered Rail Responders which the Chaplaincy has started in Taunton and which seeks to help people with mental health problems. He gives a powerful Christian testimony about what motivates him. Mulled wine and mince pies are served afterwards.

Prayer at St James

Please also remember Mike Gillingham who is supporting the ministry at St Peter's, as well as retired clergy, readers and church officers, including those who lead services in other Churches

9 For emergency services: the fire-brigade, ambulances, the disaster response teams facing danger and trauma.

10 John and Vicky Dykes

11 *Richmond Road & Chamberlains*

12 George Earl; Jeanne Elkington

13 Jesse and Liz Eveleigh, Ella and Lucy

14 Roger and Elaine Fenton

15 Joan Flood; Eileen Fowler

Church Prayer Meetings:

Prayer Breakfast

Sun 16th December 8:30am

Church Prayer Meeting in the Church
Tues 26th February 7:00pm

Other Prayer Meetings:

St James School Prayer Meeting Next meeting TBC

at The Hive, St James School.

Prayer for Taunton in the Lounge
Monday 10th December at 7:30pm

Taunton Memory Café and Singing for the Brain

Are inviting you to their Christmas Carol Service on 18th December at 11am here at St James. For more details contact Carol Sweeting on 07850 928905.

National Day of Prayer

All welcome to join together in this day of prayer, this Sunday (9th December) at 6pm at Riverside Church.