



Our vision is to be an open Christian community where people feel loved, respected, and free to be fully themselves.



16th June 2024

3rd Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to you all



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St James



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Our Services this week

Service type is subject to change due to illness or other unforeseen circumstances

St James:

Sunday 16th

8:30am Morning Prayer
10.00am Holy communion

Thursday 20th

9:30am Morning Prayer

Our Lady & St Nicholas:

Sunday 16th

6pm Compline Service

What else is happening this week

Sunday 16th

2-4pm Visiting Bell Ringers St James

Tuesday 18th

10am-12noon Old Nick's Coffee Shop Wanlip Hall
2:30-4:30pm Welcome Space St James

Wednesday 19th

12:30-4:30pm Welcome Space St James
3-4pm Open Church & Private Prayer Our Lady & St Nicholas

Thursday 20th

7:30-9pm Visiting Bellringers St James

Saturday 22nd

10am-Noon Open Church St James
10am-12noon Visiting Bell Ringers St James

What's happening next week

Sunday 23rd

8:30am Morning Prayer St James
10am Holy Communion St James
6pm BCP Evensong Our Lady & St Nicholas

Tuesday 25th

12:30-4:30pm Welcome Space St James
4:30-6pm Capital Arts Choir St James

Wednesday 26th

12:30-4:30pm Welcome Space St James
3-4pm Open Church & Private Prayer Our Lady & St Nicholas

Thursday 27th

9:30am Holy Communion St James

Friday 28th

11am Visiting Bell Ringers St James

Saturday 29th

10am-12noon Open Church St James

Notices

Please feel free to contact Amanda or one of the Churchwardens at any time

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| Rev Amanda Digman (Day off usually Friday) | 251 Birstall Road | 07803 625049 revamandadigman@me.com |
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| Julie Ward | 28 Walker Road | 2677600 |
| Matthew Harvey | 56 Lambourne Road | 07957 170920 |

Amanda

Amanda will be off from 14th-28th June, training on the 29th and at Rachael's ordination on the 30th.

Rachael

Please bear in mind that initially, having a curate with us will take up more of Amanda's time. Also, if you have any concerns about Rachael, please speak to Amanda, as her line manager. Remember she is here to learn and we have been chosen as a good place to do that. Please pray for & please remember that Amanda is a hugger and Rachael is not. Rachael also likes doughnuts! 😊

Information Sheets for 30th June

If you require any notices to be included in the information sheets for the 30th June, can you please let me have them before I am on Thursday 20th June as I will be out of the office from then until Tuesday 2nd July. Thanks. Sheryl

Bring and Share Lunch - 30th June

The next Bring and Share Lunch is on Sunday 30th June. Hopefully Rachael will pop in and we will also be celebrating 50 years since Kerry's ordination as priest! Congratulations, Kerry! We are aiming to start eating at about 12:30pm.

Summer Fete - 26th August: 12 noon - 3.30pm

Raffle tickets are at the back of the church for the Summer Fete - please take and sell as many as you can to friends, family and acquaintances.

RBL Quiz night - 3rd July

Several of us enjoy going to the quiz at the RBL on Wednesday evenings at 8:25pm. Please join us whenever you can. It's £1.50 per quizzier +£1 for non members. Text Amanda if you're coming just to double check we're going that evening. (The next date we will be there is 3rd July) We can meet you outside if a bit nervous walking in alone - and who wouldn't be?! *Amanda*

What are you thankful for?

We are running low of things we are thankful for, which go on the back page of the information sheets. Could you email me/leave a note on my desk with some more things you are thankful for. We are thinking about things in general and not something personal. For example: The joy of laughter, a car that starts etc. *Sheryl & Josephine*

Fashion Show at St Theresa's - 10th July

St. Theresa's is holding a fashion show on Wednesday 10th July at 7pm. Tickets are £5 each which includes a glass of wine. Tickets are available from Debbie Shephard or Daphne Stevenson at St Theresa's.

Jam Sales

Thank you to all those who buy and sell the jam, and a special thank you to Janet Waters for producing them. They have raised over £300 so far, which goes into our church funds.

A Collect for the 3rd Sunday of Trinity

Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts whereby we call you Father: give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious liberty of the children of God; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

A Post Communion Prayer for the 3rd Sunday of Trinity

O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining and whose power we cannot comprehend: show us your glory as far as we can grasp it, and shield us from knowing more than we can bear until we may look upon you without fear; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen**

BCP Collect for the 3rd Sunday after Trinity

O Lord, we beseech thee mercifully to hear us; and grant that we, to whom thou hast given an hearty desire to pray, may by thy mighty aid be defended and comforted in all dangers and adversities; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

St James Patronal Festival Pilgrimage

St James Patronal Festival Pilgrimage has been cancelled by the organisers.

Prayer Chain

If you have an urgent prayer request, please contact Doreen Wilson (2674680) or Gill Pope (2675086) it will be passed round the prayer chain as quickly as possible in strictest confidence.

Save the Children Strawberry Teas - 27th July

On Saturday 27th July I am hosting a Strawberry Tea. (3-5:30pm) Please let me know by the preceding Wednesday if you would like to come. Full details can be found on the posters at the back of the church. *Josephine*

Monthly tip for a less-plastic life - June

Put a plate over leftover food in the fridge. No more clingfilm!

Flowers for special occasions

We are fortunate to have two hugely experienced and professional flower arranging teams at Birstall & Wanlip who are willing to receive requests for flower arrangements to be placed in Church to mark your special occasion. Donations for the cost of the flowers are always welcome, but not always necessary. If you would like the teams to arrange a flower display with your special occasion in mind, please contact Sylvia Simes on 2674206 or email: sylviasimes66@gmail.com (Birstall) and Marjorie Bonshor on 2207964 (Wanlip)

Trench Candles

Some candles from Birstall and Wanlip have started on a journey to support the troops in Ukraine. The Trench Candles are made by rolling corrugated cardboard into old tins, placing a splint into the middle of the tin and melting the candle wax to fill them so if you have any old candle bits please place them in the box by the votive candle stand in St James and they will be sent to the Ukraine every month.

Notices for the information sheets & when I'm in the Church Office

I will be in the office on Tuesdays & Thursdays between 9am and 1pm.

If you have a notice you would like putting in the Information sheet, can you please email it to either stjames.birstall@btconnect.com, or sheryljupp@hotmail.co.uk, or contact Amanda or a Churchwarden. I will need to have received it **before 11am** on the Thursday to get your items included in that week's news sheet. Thanks. *Sheryl*

Lectionary & Theme Readings

Sun 16th 3rd Sunday after Trinity

Readings used

Reading 1: Exodus 34:27-28

Reading 2: Psalm 20

Gospel: Matthew 9:14-17

Lectionary readings

Ezekiel 17:22-end, 2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17,
Mark 4:26-34, Psalm: 92:1-4, 12-end

Lectionary Evensong Readings

Jeremiah 7:1-16, Romans 9:1-14-26, Psalm:39

Mon 17th Theme: John 4:31-38

Psalm: 71

Reading 1: Judges 8:22-end

Reading 2: Luke 15:1-10

Tue 18th Theme: Matthew 9:14-17

Psalm: 73

Reading 1: Judges 9:1-21

Reading 2: Luke 15:11-end

Wed 19th Theme: Matthew 6:16-18

Psalm: 77

Reading 1: Judges 9:22-end

Reading 2: Luke 16:1-18

Thu 20th Theme: Luke 4:1-13

Psalm: 78:1-39

Reading 1: Judges 11:1-11

Reading 2: Luke 16:19-end

Holy Communion Readings

Reading 1: Isaiah 63:7-9

Gospel: Matthew 6:7-15

Fri 21st Theme: Exodus 34:27-28

Psalm: 55

Reading 1: Judges 11:29-end

Reading 2: Luke 17:1-10

Sat 22nd Theme: Matthew 4:1-4

Psalm: 76

Reading 1: Judges 12:1-7

Reading 2: Luke 17:11-19

Sun 23rd 4th Sunday after Trinity

Readings used

Reading 1: Nehemiah 6:1-9

Reading 2: 1 Peter 5:1-11

Gospel: John 21:15-23

Lectionary readings

Job 38:1-11, 2 Corinthians 6:1-13, Mark 4:35-end
Evensong Readings (The Birth of John the Baptist)

Reading 1: Isaiah 40:1-11

Reading 2: Luke 1:57-80

Psalm: 80:1-7

Theme: Luke 5:33-39

For our Prayers

Theme for the week - Fasting

I heard a Godly man remark when asked if he got hungry while fasting. "Of Course! But then I remember that I'm fasting for God and not for e, and the hunger goes away."

For the persecuted church - Democratic Republic Congo

Father God, we long to see an end to the violence & lawlessness affecting Christians in eastern DRC. Please help the authorities to bring a lasting peace. We pray for great wisdom & courage for the church leaders there as they minister to the traumatised & displaced and advise their people how to face this persecution. Bring Your healing to all those who have suffered. Amen.

For our Churches, this week especially for:

Our healing, Visiting & Pastoral Teams

Our Children: Tegan & Keira

What are we thankful for this week:

Wild Flowers

For our Community, this week especially for:

Our Nurses

For those in need or unwell:

Nicky Hardy, David Bark, Dorothy Barsby, John Walton, Michael Webb, Tricia Emmett, Ray Folland & all who care for them.

For those who have Holy Communion at home:

Sheila Skidmore, Monica Lucas, Freda Sowards, Margery Orton & Pat Wilby

For those who have recently died

For 1st anniversary of death this week:

Every day - 9pm (or another time!)

Praying for peace in Ukraine & Israel / Palestine. And a different area each day.

Sun: For or an end to the Ethiopian Civil Conflict (Ethiopia, Eritrea, Sudan) ongoing since 2018.

Mon: For an end to Colombian Conflict in Colombia, Venezuela, Ecuador ongoing since 1964.

Tues: For an end to the Afghanistan conflict (IS - Taliban) ongoing since 1978.

Wed: For an end to the Somali Civil War (with Kenya) ongoing since 1991.

Thurs: For an end to Allied Democratic Forces insurgency in Africa (DR Congo and Uganda) ongoing since 1996.

Fri: For an end to the communal conflicts in Nigeria ongoing since 1998.

Sat: For an end to Ituri Conflict in DR Congo ongoing since 1999.