



# St James the Great • Birstall Our Lady and St Nicholas • Wanlip



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

**22<sup>nd</sup> June 2025**

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

**Welcome  
to you all**



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## Our Services this week

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

### St James:

#### Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup>

8:30am Holy Communion

10.00am Holy Communion

#### Thursday 26<sup>th</sup>

9:30am Holy Communion

### Our Lady & St Nicholas:

#### Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup>

6pm BCP Evensong

## What else is happening this week

### Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup>

2-4pm Visiting Bell Ringers St James

### Monday 23<sup>rd</sup>

10:15am Norma Bass' Funeral L Crem

6:30-7:30pm Power & Strength Session  
St James Lawn

### Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup>

12:30-4:30pm Welcome Space St James

### Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup>

2-4:30pm Welcome Space St James

3-4pm Open Church & Private Prayer  
Our Lady & St Nicholas

### Saturday 28<sup>th</sup>

4pm Rachael's Ordination  
Leicester Cathedral

## What's happening next week

### Sunday 29<sup>th</sup>

10am Holy Communion St James

12:30pm Bring and Share Lunch Birstall Village Hall

2-4pm Visiting Bell Ringers St James

6pm 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Special Our Lady & St Nicholas

### Monday 30<sup>th</sup>

6:30-7:30pm Power & Strength Session St James Lawn

### Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup>

12:30-4:30pm Welcome Space St James

### Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup>

1pm Dorothy Wakefield's funeral Our Lady & St Nicholas

2-4:30pm Welcome Space St James

3-4pm Open Church & Private Prayer Our Lady & St Nicholas

### Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup>

9:30am Morning Prayer St James

### Saturday 5<sup>th</sup>

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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## **Rachael's Ordination - 28<sup>th</sup> June**

Rachael will be ordained to the Holy Priesthood by Bishop Martyn Snow in Leicester Cathedral at 4pm on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> June, All are welcome to come and support Rachael.

## **Bring & Share Lunch - Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June**

Following Rev'd. Rachael's first time presiding at Holy Communion, there will be a Bring & Share Lunch at the Village Hall. Tea & Coffee will be provided but feel free to bring your own drinks. There will be a list in each of the Church's for names. Please do come in and share in food and celebration of this special benchmark in Rachael's priestly ministry.

## **Norma Bass' Funeral - 23<sup>rd</sup> June**

Norma's funeral is on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June at 10:15am at Loughborough Crematorium.

## **Dorothy Wakefield's Funeral - 2<sup>nd</sup> July**

Dorothy's funeral will take place on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July at Our Lady & St Nicholas starting at 1pm.

## **Sign-up sheet for Summer Fete**

There is a sign up sheet at the back of church for anyone willing to run a stall or help with the Summer Fete which will be held on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> August this year please.

## **Save the Children Strawberry Tea - 19<sup>th</sup> July**

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Save the Children Strawberry Tea will be on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> July at 1A Hallam Avenue Birstall LE4 3DN from 3:00pm- 5:30pm Tickets £7.50. Please let me know by the preceding Wednesday if you hope to come. Telephone 01162674252 or [ajbsavethechildren@gmail.com](mailto:ajbsavethechildren@gmail.com)  
*Josephine*

## **What are we thankful for**

Bearing in mind all that is going on in the world I am sure we all have much to be thankful for so please would you add some thoughts for the list which each week appears on the news sheet and send some suggestions to Sheryl at [sheryljupp@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:sheryljupp@hotmail.co.uk) or the church email [stjames.birstall@btconnect.com](mailto:stjames.birstall@btconnect.com) or leave them in the Church Office. Please remember these are not related to personal events but general thanks. If you aren't sure have a look at the ideas of the past few weeks. *Josephine*

## **Spam email**

If you receive an email that says it's from Rev Amanda Digman with an email address of [parishpriest.office60@gmail.com](mailto:parishpriest.office60@gmail.com) it is spam. Please do not reply to it.

## **Monthly tip for a less-plastic life - June**

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

### **The Collect for the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

O God, the strength of all those who put their trust in you, mercifully accept our prayers and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without you, grant us the help of your grace, that in the keeping of your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; 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**

### **The Post Communion Prayer for the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

Eternal Father, we thank you for nourishing us with these heavenly gifts: may our communion strengthen us in faith, build us up in hope, and make us grow in love; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

### **BCP Evensong Collect for the 1st Sunday after Trinity**

O God, the strength of all them that put their trust in thee, mercifully accept our prayers; and because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without thee, grant us the help of thy grace, that in keeping of thy commandments we may please thee, both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

### **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.

### **List of Jobs**

At the back of church, there is a list of jobs that get done in / for church. Please add any Missing jobs to the list (and sorry if we missed the thing you do and thank you for doing it). Also, please prayerfully consider whether you might offer to do something new / extra. Please speak to Amanda, Rachael or one of the wardens if you would like to offer something.

### **Rota**

Just a reminder that if you are not able to do your turn if you are on a rota, please try to find a swap and if you can't find anyone, please verbally tell a warden so they arrange cover. Thank you.

### **Ukraine Donations**

We have been advised by the Ukraine Centre on Fosse Road that due to logistical reasons, they can no longer accept any further donations of food, toiletries and clothes. They sincerely thank us, and they are truly grateful for all the donations made which have been sent over to help the people of Ukraine over the past three years. *Lynn*

### **RBL Quiz night**

Several of us enjoy going to the quiz at the RBL on Wednesday evenings at 8:15pm. 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. We can meet you outside if a bit nervous walking in alone - and who wouldn't be?!

### **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](mailto:stjames.birstall@btconnect.com), or [sheryljupp@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:sheryljupp@hotmail.co.uk), or leave a message on the office answer machine (0116 2671797) 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 Readings

**Sun 22<sup>nd</sup>** 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Trinity

Reading 1: 1 Kings 19:1-4, 8-15a

Reading 2: Galatians 3:23-end

Gospel: Luke 8:26-39

### Wanlip Readings

Reading 1: 1 Kings 19:1-4, 8-15a

Reading 2: Luke 8:26-39

Psalm: 57

**Mon 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Psalm: 30

Reading 1: Job 13

Reading 2: Romans 7:1-6

**Tue 24<sup>th</sup>**

*Birth of John the Baptist*

Psalm: 50

Reading 1: Malachi 3:1-6

Reading 2: Luke 3:1-17

**Wed 25<sup>th</sup>**

Psalm: 34

Reading 1: Job 15

Reading 2: Romans 8:1-11

**Thu 26<sup>th</sup>**

Psalm: 37

Reading 1: Job 16:1 - 17:2

Reading 2: Romans 8:12-17

### Holy Communion Readings

Reading 1: Genesis 16:1-12, 15-16

Gospel: Matthew 7:21-end

**Fri 27<sup>th</sup>**

Psalm: 31

Reading 1: Job 17:3-end

Reading 2: Romans 8:18-30

**Sat 28<sup>th</sup>**

Psalm: 42

Reading 1: Job 18

Reading 2: Romans 8:31-end

**Sun 29<sup>th</sup>** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Trinity

Reading 1: 2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14

Reading 2: Galatians 5:1, 13-25

Gospel: Luke 9:51-end

### Wanlip Readings

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Special

## For our Prayers

### For the persecuted church - Mauritania

Lord God, we thank You for the small number of Christians in Mauritania who have risked everything in choosing to follow You. Draw near to them today and fill them with Your Holy Spirit; remind them that they are precious in Your sight. Help Christians who've converted from Islam to find ways of sharing Your love with their families and communities, so that the church's light will draw many more Mauritaniens to You, Amen.

### For our Churches, this week especially for:

Our Sides-people and Welcomers

Our children: Isaac & Charlie

### What are we thankful for this week:

Libraries & the freedom to read anything without censorship.

### For our Community, this week especially for:

Our local MP

### For those in need or unwell:

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

### For those who have Holy Communion at home:

Sheila Skidmore, Monica Lucas, Freda Sowards, Margery Orton, Gillian Hinton, John Harrison, John Walters, Michael Webb & Dorothy Barsby

### For those who have recently died

Norma Bass, Dorothy Wakefield & Ray Folland,

### For 1<sup>st</sup> anniversary of death this week:

Russell Clark & Janet Scott

### Every day - 9pm (or another time!)

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

**Sun:** For an end to the Afghan Conflict ongoing since 1978

**Mon:** For an end to the Somali Civil War ongoing since 1991

**Tues:** For an end to the Communal Conflicts in Nigeria ongoing since 1998

**Wed:** For an end to the Insurgency in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa ongoing since 2004

**Thurs:** For an end to the Congolese conflicts ongoing since 2004

**Fri:** For an end to the Mexican Drug War ongoing since 2006

**Sat:** For an end to the Sudanese Nomadic Conflicts ongoing since 2008