



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.

8th June 2025

Pentecost

**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 8th

8:30am Morning Prayer
10.00am Holy Communion

Wednesday 11th

12:30pm Holy Communion

Thursday 12th

9:30am Morning Prayer

Our Lady & St Nicholas:

Sunday 8th

6pm BCP Evensong

What else is happening this week

Monday 9th

7pm Monday Group Supper
Sheila's house

Tuesday 10th

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

Wednesday 11th

10.30-12.30 Garden Open Day 66 Curzon Ave
2-4:30pm Welcome Space St James
2:30-4.30pm Garden Open Day 66 Curzon Ave
3-4pm Open Church & Private Prayer
Our Lady & St Nicholas

Saturday 14th

10am Same Sex Marriage talk
Our Lady & St Nicholas
10:30am-4pm 3rd Order Franciscan Area Meeting
St James

What's happening next week

Sunday 15th

10am Holy Communion St James
6pm BCP Evensong Our Lady & St Nicholas

Monday 16th

3-3:45pm Visiting Bell Ringers Our Lady & St Nicholas
6:30-7:30pm Power & Strength Session St James Lawn

Tuesday 17th

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

Wednesday 18th

2-4:30pm Welcome Space St James
3-4pm Open Church & Private Prayer Our Lady & St Nicholas

Thursday 19th

7pm PCC Meeting St James
9:30am Holy Communion St James
7pm Diocesan Synod meeting St James

Saturday 21st

3pm-5:30pm Strawberry Tea 1A Hallam Fields Ave

Notices

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

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(Day off usually Friday)

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Please can you help - 14th June

The 3rd Order Franciscans are using St James on Saturday 14th June. We need someone who would be willing to lock up afterwards at 4pm. If you are able to help could you let Amanda, Rachael know.

Holy Communion - 11th June

There will be a Communion Service on Wednesday 11th June at 12:30pm followed by soup and a roll. *Amanda*

Garden Open Day - 11th June

Sylvia and John welcome you to our Open Garden Day in aid of Link to Hope at 66 Curzon Ave, Birstall on Wednesday 11 June. 10:30am – 12:30pm and 2:30pm – 4:30pm. Garden £2.00 Tea/ Coffee and Cake £2.00. Plant Sales. The garden is looking rather lovely!

Bible Book Club - 19th June

The next Bible Book Club will be on Thursday 19th June starting at about 10:30am following the Holy Communion Service. The book we will be studying is James. All are welcome.

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 25th August this year please.

Rachael's Ordination - 28th June

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

Bring & Share Lunch - Sunday 29th 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 - 23rd June

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

Save the Children Strawberry Tea - 21st June

I am having the first Strawberry Tea on Saturday 21st June. 3pm-5:30pm Further details to follow but if you are interested in coming please let me know by Wednesday 18th June. Telephone 01162674252 or ajbsavethechildren@gmail.com *Josephine*

Monthly tip for a less-plastic life - June

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

The Collect for Pentecost

God, who as at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, 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 Pentecost

Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal: open our lips by your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

BCP Evensong Collect for the Pentecost

God, who as at this time didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit; Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen**

Dorothy Wakefield's Funeral - 2nd July

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

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.

Sylvia Phillips' funeral - 20th June

Sylvia's funeral will be held at Holy Trinity Church, Barrow upon Soar, on Friday 20th June at 1:30pm. Refreshments at The Hunting Lodge, Barrow upon Soar. Sylvia was the wife of the late Martin Phillips who was vicar at St. James & Wanlip until 1988. *Cynthia Colman*

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

Stephen and Sharon March

The Diocese of Leicester announce that The Revd Stephen March, Ordained Pioneer Minister in the Hexagon Benefice and Mrs Sharon March, Associate Minister and Lay Training Tutor in the diocese, will be moving to the Diocese of Europe. Stephen has been appointed as Chaplain to The Anglican Church of St Mark's, Versailles, with St Paul's, Gif-sur-Yvette, in the Diocese of Europe from Sunday 31st August 2025. His final service in the Hexagon Benefice will be on Sunday 3rd August.

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 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 8th Pentecost

Reading 1: Acts 2:1-21

Reading 2: Romans 8:14-17

Gospel: John 14:8-17

Wanlip Readings

Reading 1: Genesis 11:1-9

Reading 2: Acts 2:1-21

Psalm: 104:24-37

Mon 9th

Psalm: 126

Reading 1: Job 1

Reading 2: Romans 1:1-17

Tue 10th

Psalm: 132

Reading 1: Job 2

Reading 2: Romans 1:18-end

Wed 11th Barnabas the Apostle

Psalm: 100

Reading 1: Jeremiah 9:23-24

Reading 2: Acts 4:32-end

Holy Communion Readings

Reading 1: Acts 11:19-end

Gospel: John 15:12-17

Thu 12th

Psalm: 143

Reading 1: Job 4

Reading 2: Romans 2:17-end

Holy Communion Readings

Reading 1: 2 Corinthians 3:15 - 4:1, 3-6

Gospel: Matthew 5:20-26

Fri 13th

Psalm: 144

Reading 1: Job 5

Reading 2: Romans 3:1-20

Sat 14th

Psalm: 147

Reading 1: Job 6

Reading 2: Romans 3:21-end

Sun 15th Trinity Sunday

Reading 1: Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

Reading 2: Romans 5:1-5

Gospel: John 16:12-15

Wanlip Readings

Reading 1: Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

Reading 2: John 16:12-15 Psalm: 8

For our Prayers

For the persecuted church - Morocco

Lord God, draw near to our sisters and brothers in Morocco who are under so much pressure from all sides. Grant them peace and renew the sense of freedom that they find in You; give them creativity so that they can share that freedom with their families and communities. We pray for families torn apart by forced divorce or loss of custody of children. Heal believers who have been affected and help them to connect with their wider church family. May the King of Morocco encounter You for himself and be transformed by Your love, Amen.

For our Churches, this week especially for:

Our PCC Treasurer & Secretary

Our children: Natalie & Bella

What are we thankful for this week:

I'm still breathing!

For our Community, this week especially for:

City of Sanctuary

For those in need or unwell:

Nicky Hardy, David Bark, Dorothy Barsby, John Walton, Michael Webb, Tricia Emmett, Ray Folland, 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 & Sylvia Phillips (Rev Martin Phillips wife)

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 an end to the Ethiopian Conflict ongoing since 2018

Mon: For an end to the insurgency in the Maghreb ongoing since 2002

Tues: For an end to the Arab-Israeli Conflict ongoing since 1948

Wed: For an end to the Russia-Ukraine War ongoing since 2014

Thurs: For an end to the Sudanese Civil War ongoing since 2023

Fri: For an end to the Myanmar Conflict ongoing since 1948

Sat: For an end to the Colombian Conflict ongoing since 1964