



St James' West End

Pew News

Sunday 24th April 2016

This evening

6.30pm Informal Worship

Next Sunday 1st May

8am Holy Communion

9.30am Parish Eucharist

11am Church Alive with Holy Communion

6.30pm Sung Evensong

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Morning prayer 9am Tuesday and Thursday in the Lady Chapel

Mon 25 th	11.30am	Lunch Club
	2.30pm	Dawson Lodge Communion Service
Tue 26 th	8.00pm	Choir practice
Wed 27 th	9.15am	Stay and Play parent and toddler group
	10.00am	Holy Communion
	10.30am	Linda with Yr5's at Harefield Primary
Thu 28 th	10-12pm	Flower Arranging in church
Fri 29 th		Bishop Jonathan's visit to St James School
	9.00am	Church cleaning
	4.00pm	Wedding rehearsal
Sat 30 th	9.30am	Marriage Preparation morning, Hall
	4.00pm	Wedding of Peter Barnes and Jane Newbury

COFFEE ROTA We are looking for a volunteer to help with coffee on the third Sunday of each month. This will involve being at church by 9am to prepare things and setting up the trolley in the church after the 9:30am service. Any further information - please contact Eileen Durkin on 02380464773.

CHURCH YARD CLEAR UP MORNING Saturday 7th May 10am - 12 noon. Please come along and help with the spring church yard clear up. If you have gardening tools, please bring them along, if not we have plenty to share. Even if you can only come for some of the time, you would be very welcome, hope to see you there. Helen Wiseman

PARISH GIVING SCHEME (PGS) Have you picked up your letter of invitation to join the Parish Giving Scheme? The ministry team and members of the PCC have already joined the PGS scheme and highly recommend it. PGS is a more efficient method for collecting regular donations to church by direct debit. If you don't find a letter addressed to you please ask David Forster the treasurer or collect an open letter and information pack from the back of church. David Forster and Geoff Holden are available to answer any questions and offer help filling in the forms. Thank you.

ST JAMES' MAGAZINE The May edition of the St James' magazine is available today. Deadline for anything you'd like included in the June edition is Sunday 1st May. Please send to magazine@stjameswestend.org.uk or leave a hard copy in Donna's drawer in the vestry.

NOTE FROM THE TREASURER If you are an Income Tax payer and put notes or coins into the collection bag, please can I encourage you to place your donation in a completed yellow gift-aid envelope. This enables us to claim back an extra 25p per £1 on your donation. Please can I also request that no foreign coins are placed in the collection or refreshment bowl as we have no way of banking them or converting them into pounds. Thank you for your help in these matters. David Forster

THANK YOU to everyone who supported the Bake & Brew last Sunday. We raised a total of £89.36 which will go to the Children's Society.

CHURCH ALIVE HOW CAN I HELP? The new sheet for you to sign up to offer help in various ways is now up at the back of the church. Thank you in advance for doing this.

We also need to organise a rota for the clear up at the end of Church Alive. If you are willing to sign up for a regular Sunday each month then this will help to ensure that the load is shared for this duty. It will involve clearing away the refreshments, washing up and emptying percolator and water urns, etc. A sign-up sheet for this is also up at the back. Thank you again for helping in this way.

NINE DAYS OF PRAYER AT ST JAMES - Plans are now well underway for how we can be involved in this nationwide and diocesan event between Ascension Day and Pentecost (5th – 15th May). There are lots of ways that we need people to help so please do consider what you could do:

1. Acting as stewards to ensure that the church is open. See sheet at back for dates and times
2. Delivering invitations to local business, organisations, groups, schools, etc. These are available to take from today. Please just let us know who you are delivering to on the sheet
3. Helping with the School Prayer Space at St James' school during the week 9th- 13th between 1pm and 3.15pm. This is an exciting opportunity and you will be given guidance on what it involves – please speak to Linda or Thomas

You can also sign up to take part in the **24 HOURS OF PRAYER** that will be happening between the 5th and 6th of May, from the end of the Ascension Day evening service until the following evening. You can sign up online at <http://www.24-7prayer.com/signup/d91a86> or once again on the sheet at the back!

You are invited to join Clare & Andrew Challis at a
FAREWELL CELEBRATION
on Sunday 8th May, 1.30-6pm
at Southampton Wood Recycling Project

FEATURING
JOSEPHS
WOOD SHOP

Float-A-Boat
Art Gallery
P.P-PICK UP A PLANE
LIVE MUSIC
PALLET PARTY TASTER
LEARN TO BURN
BBQ PULLED PORK

"It's a lot like Messy Church – but with wood!"

For more info or to book a free place email andychallis@aol.com

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