



St James' West End
PEW NEWS
Sunday 19th February 2017

Today

9.30am Parish Eucharist and
Pathfinders
11.00am Church Alive
6.30pm Joint Evensong at
Christ Church Freemantle
(no service at St James')

Next Sunday 26th February

8.00am Holy Communion
9.30am Parish Eucharist and
Pathfinders
11.00am Church Alive
6.30pm Informal Worship

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Morning prayer 9am Tuesday, Thursday and Friday in the Lady Chapel

Mon 20th 11.30am Lunch Club

Tue 21st 8.00pm Choir practice

Wed 22nd 9.15am Stay & Play parent and toddler group

10.00am Holy Communion

11.30am Meeting re Children's Work

12noon Funeral of William 'Bill' Young at Church

Thu 23rd 9.30am Open Door at Harefield Surgery

3.15pm Funeral of Peter White at Church

8.00pm Home Group at 11 Wilderness Heights

Fri 24th 11.30am Sunnycroft Communion

7.30pm Music Service: Phil Daish-Handy and Martin Penrose

EVENSONG AT CHRIST CHURCH FREEMANTLE tonight at 6:30pm. A special evensong led by the joint choirs of Christ Church Freemantle and St James' West End will be held at Freemantle Church. You are invited to represent our congregation in supporting this choral initiative. There will not be an evening service at St James. For directions regarding locality and parking, also if you require transport or able to offer a lift, please email music.stjameswestend@gmail.com or speak to Carol 023 8045 4883.

BUILDINGS DEVELOPMENT GROUP - The Future

We are very fortunate to have a beautiful church and church hall. As you may be aware we are, in the medium term, seeking funds to update the kitchen in the hall to better serve the hall users and to hopefully encourage new groups. However to ensure that our buildings continue to fulfil the growing needs of our congregation and community, longer term planning (looking at the next 15 years) is needed. With this in mind the PCC have agreed that a Buildings Development Group should be set up to look at our future building needs.

The first year will be spent on a preliminary study identifying current and potential problems with our buildings and looking at possible broad solutions to those problems.

The group will consist of the Wardens, the Buildings Officer, and the incumbent, but is actively seeking members of the congregation (you don't have to be on the PCC) and wider community to join them. So if you are interested in the long term development of St James' Church and its associated buildings, please speak to any of the undersigned.

Noel Becket, Geoff Holden, Helen Wiseman, Thomas Wharton

CONCERT AT ST JAMES' THIS FRIDAY 7.30PM Our monthly music series continues at St James' with a 'Virtuoso Classics' concert with Phil Daish-Handy playing cello and Martin Penrose on piano. Tickets will be available at the door at a price of £7. There will be an interval with refreshments served in the hall.

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER will be held on Friday 3rd March at St John's Hedge End at 7.30pm. The leader will be Mrs Carol Kidd. The Christian women of the Philippines have written the service on the theme "Am I being unfair to you?" Everyone is welcome. Refreshments available after the service.

LENDING LIBRARY Please take a look at our newly restocked lending library in the north aisle. Feel free to browse and borrow any books by filling in the register.

THE PASTORAL TEAM can now be contacted via 07842 244876 or by email at pastoral.stjameswestend@gmail.com. Calls/enquiries are welcomed from anyone wishing to speak to a Pastoral Assistant for a listening ear / support at a time of difficulty, to arrange for a home visit if unable to get to church due to illness, to request Home Communion, or to pass on news of a hospital admission/discharge. For further information regarding what the team can offer please send an email or speak to Carol Kidd (Pastoral Team Coordinator).

LENT GROUPS 2017 We are offering the four possible Lent groups to choose from (all following the same 'the Joy of the Gospel' course).
Tuesdays 7.30pm 39 Princess Close (led by Thomas or Linda)
Wednesdays 7.30pm 11 Elizabeth Court (led by Carol Kidd)
Thursdays 11am 4 Hemdean Gardens (led by Thomas or Linda)
Thursdays 7.30pm 11 Wilderness heights (led by Brenda Holden)
Please confirm on the list which group you would like to attend.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE CONFIRMED? Bishop Jonathan is leading a Deanery Confirmation service at St. James' Church on Sunday 7th May at 6.30pm. It is still possible to explore whether you would like to confirm your Christian faith in this way. A youth confirmation group is starting on Weds 8th March 6.30-7.30pm. We also have groups for adults. Please speak with Thomas or Linda if interested.

SO18 BIG LOCAL is hosting a Family Wildlife Talk tomorrow (20th) 1.30pm-3.00pm at Townhill Park Community Centre (Meggeson Avenue). Come and hear expert Neil talk about the wildlife you can see in our local area! Free entry. Refreshments provided. Open to all but children under 12 years old must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

LOST PROPERTY AMNESTY Our lost property collection is on show at the back of Church and will be so until the end of February, after this date any items that have not been claimed will be donated to charity.

SOCIAL GROUP TEA "SPRING" on Friday 10th March in the hall at 2.30pm. Tickets on sale now £3.50 from Margaret Baker.

ST JAMES SCHOOL TAPESTRY COLLAGE Teacher Kathy Bate is looking for some help with sewing at the school! The Year 5 are going to make a tapestry/ collage based on a storybook. The sewing sessions will take place on Monday 27 Feb 1:15 to 3:15 pm; Thursday 2 Mar 1:15 to 3:15 pm and Friday 3 Mar 9:30 to 11:50 am. If you would like to help please contact Kathy through the school office.

WELCOME KIM BAILLIE who is beginning her LLM placement here at St. James' for eight weeks including Easter. Kim comes to us from Holy Saviour Bitterne Parish and we look forward to welcoming her into the life of St. James' during her placement.

CHURCH GIVING Please use the collection plate at the back of church either before or after the service for donations or envelopes. If you would like to join our Parish Giving Scheme and arrange to give regularly to church via direct debit, please speak with David Forster our treasurer or ask one of the ministry team for information. Thank you.

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