



## St James' West End

### PEW NEWS

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2017

#### Today

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

#### Next Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October

- 10.30am** Harvest Festival Service  
with Communion  
6.30pm Sung Evensong

#### WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

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

- Mon 25<sup>th</sup> 11.30am Lunch club  
2.30pm Dawson Lodge Harvest Service  
Tue 26<sup>th</sup> 8.00pm Choir practice  
Wed 27<sup>th</sup> 9.15am Stay & Play parent and toddler group  
10.00am Glenside Harvest Service  
10.00am Holy Communion  
2.00pm Oaklands Harvest Service  
6.00pm Harefield Prayers in Lady Chapel  
7.30pm SSG meeting, Church  
Thu 28<sup>th</sup> 9.30am Open Door at Harefield Surgery  
11.15am Home group, 50 Telegraph Road  
7.30pm Home group, 11 Wilderness Heights  
Fri 29<sup>th</sup> 11.00am Sunnycroft Communion  
6.00pm Wedding meeting  
Sat 30<sup>th</sup> 2.00pm Choir at RSCM Evensong at Winchester Cathedral

**ST JAMES' MAGAZINE** The October edition is available today. Deadline for anything you would like included in the November edition is Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October. Please send to [magazine@stjameswestend.org.uk](mailto:magazine@stjameswestend.org.uk) or leave a copy in Donna's drawer in the vestry. Thank you.

### **HARVEST FESTIVAL SERVICE Next Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October at 10.30am**

We will hold a joint service at 10.30am next Sunday to which the choir of St. James' school will be joining us (c.50 children and parents). We will also bless and use for the first time our new Nave Altar, designed for us by Treske Church Furniture and funded by the Friends of St. James'. This will be a celebratory Harvest service with Communion. Communion will be received in front of the chancel steps. Please remember to bring Harvest produce which will be donated to local foodbanks.

### **CHILDREN'S HARVEST WORKSHOP this Saturday (30<sup>th</sup> September) 10am -**

**11.30am** Children with parents are invited to join our flower arrangers to create Harvest Displays for windowsills and other areas around the church. The knitting club at St James' School have been working on Harvest knitted mice and there will be little pumpkins filled with flowers for children to work on. We would be very grateful for volunteers to help out at this lively morning session and it doesn't matter if you or the children haven't arranged flowers before – plenty of guidance will be given. Please contact Sue Fitch if you would like to help or book your child on this morning: [sue.fitch@sky.com](mailto:sue.fitch@sky.com) or 023 8047 7248.

**HARVEST HOPE LUNCH next Sunday (1<sup>st</sup> October) at 12 noon.** There will be a selection of cheese, cold meats, quiche and salads available from our cold buffet followed by a homemade hot pudding and custard. Tickets £6 an adult, £3 a child and £15 per family, tickets are available now from Fiona Weston at church or phone 023 8046 5592.

**THANK YOU** to Sarisbury Choral Society and Graham for the Come and Sing yesterday, to everyone who helped with cakes and refreshments, and to the Friends and Carol for once again arranging a wonderful evening of entertainment.

**THANK YOU** also to everyone who bought, ate and baked cakes at last Sunday's Bake & Brew. We collected £112.25 for the Children's Society.

**SOCIAL GROUP TEA "HARVEST"** Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October in the hall at 2.30pm. Tickets on sale now £3.50 from Margaret Baker.

**CHRISTMAS MARKET AT ST JAMES'?** We are due to hold our Christmas Market at St. James' Church on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December. In order to find out if there are enough people with the enthusiasm and drive to run this event we are holding an open planning meeting on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm in church. If there is not enough interest we won't run the Christmas Market and will focus on other events. If you would like to support in anyway but can't make the meeting please contact Thomas.  
[rev.thomaswharton@gmail.com](mailto:rev.thomaswharton@gmail.com) 07796 104800

**CHOIR FESTIVAL** Members of our choir are taking part in the Royal School of Church Music's Annual Choirs Festival in Winchester Cathedral on Saturday 30th September. They will be rehearsing in the Cathedral during the afternoon and after a well earned tea break will be singing Choral Evensong with the Cathedral Choir in the Cathedral at 5.30pm. It would be lovely to see and have the support of any members of our congregation in the Cathedral for the service. We look forward to seeing some familiar faces, perhaps give us a smile and a discreet wave as we recess out after the service so we know you were there! David Forster

**ROTARY SHOE BOX APPEAL** Shoeboxes will be collected at the end of October. Leaflets are available at the back of Church.

**JUMBULANCE CHARITY BIKE RIDE** Please sponsor John Bagley as he rides from Land's End to John O'Groats! The Jumbulance Trust is an accessible travel charity that makes travel possible for adults and children who are disabled or have a serious or complex health condition. From 1<sup>st</sup> -14<sup>th</sup> October Jon will be taking part in their Land's End to John O'Groats charity bike ride to help raise funds for 'J3', a new Jumbulance for 2018. Please help Jon reach his fundraising target of £1,000 - there is a bucket at the back of church for your donations.

**HOME DISCUSSION GROUPS** Three new groups are starting this autumn, please sign up at the back of church:

- ◇ **Thursday evenings at 7.30pm**, fortnightly. Next session 28<sup>th</sup> September at 11 Wilderness Heights. The group will run for six sessions following John Pritchard's book 'TEN - Why Christianity makes sense'. Contact Brenda Holden 023 8047 4826
- ◇ **Thursday mornings at 11am** next meeting 28<sup>th</sup> September at 50 Telegraph Road. Also following John Pritchard's book 'TEN - Why Christianity makes sense'. Contact Revd Linda Galvin 07934 419302
- ◇ **Wednesday evenings at 7.30pm** – 9pm meeting on 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> October, 8<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> November at 3 Elizabeth Court. This group will follow 'Consider Jesus' by Justin Buzzard exploring the Letter to the Hebrews. Contact Carol Kidd 07842 244876.

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