



ST JAMES' CHURCH WEST END

Pew News

Sunday 2 September 2018

SUNDAY SERVICES AT ST JAMES'

Today 9.30am Parish Eucharist with Pathfinders
11.00am Church Alive with Holy Communion
6.30pm Sung Evensong

Next Sunday 9.30am Parish Eucharist with Pathfinders
9 September 11.00am Church Alive
12.30pm Baptisms
6.30pm Prayer and Reflection

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

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

Mon 3 Sep 11.30am Lunch Club
7.30pm Revd Thomas' Collation Service at Romsey Abbey

Wed 5 Sep 9.15am Stay & Play parent and toddler group
10.00am Holy Communion
11.00am Ministry Team meeting (rota)
7.30pm Choir practice

Thu 6 Sep 9.00am Prayers for healing
6.00pm Baptism preparation
7.00pm Cluster Meeting

Fri 7 Sep 9.00am Church cleaning
9.15am Quiet Space at Wilderness Heights
11.00am Pinewood Rest Home Communion

NEWS

Thomas' Collation Service at Romsey Abbey will be tomorrow at 7.30pm. All are welcome to attend. Lifts available.

7K Alzheimer's Memory Walk on 9 September in memory of Ronnie McDowell. You can sponsor Barbara on the form at the back of the Church.

Stay and Play starts again this Wednesday at 9.15am.

Social Group Tea – ‘Harvest’ will be on 14 September 2.30pm. Tickets £3.50 each available from Margaret Baker.

Alpha @ St James’ On 18 September a new 10 week Alpha course will be starting, between 7pm-9pm. Each evening will begin with a meal together followed by a video and discussion. The course is suited to both those exploring the Christian faith and those whose faith is more mature and is designed to stimulate conversation. Everyone is welcome, but could you also help by offering to prepare one of the meals or lead one of the discussion groups? Please do encourage anyone you feel might like to join in to speak to Linda or contact her direct. Sign-up sheet at back of church.

Parish Profile The PCC will soon be putting together our Parish Profile and we would like to include some quotes from the congregation about what you enjoy about the services you attend and other aspects of church life. If you would like to contribute something please write it on the cards at the back of church and place in the box. We look forward to hearing from you. Thank you. *Jan*

Calling for Vergers What is a verger you may ask? A verger is someone who assists the minister at our occasional services of weddings and baptisms; helping to set things up, welcome and direct people... and you get to ring the bell! John Wood has now retired as Verger after 9 years of service, and we thank him for the fantastic service he has undertaken in this role. It is our intention now to form a team of up to four people willing to train and take turns in carrying out verger duties. Are you a team worker with a welcoming personality; with weekday and/or weekend availability, with a generally good level of fitness?

A verger receives monetary payment according to the Church of England fees agreement and as a key-holder role with money handling responsibility, safeguarding checks will be necessary and the Diocesan Safer Recruitment process will be followed, which requires at least one reference and annual review. Please speak to Linda or Carol for further information.

Celebrating our soon to be commissioned BCM Worship Leaders David Forster and Mike O’Brien have now completed their Bishops Commission for Mission - Worship Leaders training and will receive their Certificates of

Commission from the Bishop of Winchester in Winchester Cathedral on 13 October at the Lay Ministries Service. David and Mike would love to have the support of some of the church family at the service. It starts at 11am and will last around an hour and a quarter. As there are a large number of people being commissioned seating will be on a first come first served basis as there is no reserved seating available. Therefore you will probably be need to be seated by 10.30am latest and you will also need to find your own way there and car share if possible. The Cathedral would like some idea of numbers within the next week or so in order to print enough service sheets. Therefore if you would like to come then please sign up on the list at the back of church at your earliest convenience. We would both be delighted to see some familiar faces on the day and we are looking forward to serving St James' in our new roles in the future.

Key Amnesty Entering the period of Vacancy necessitates updating the records of church and/or hall key holders. If you have a key/s due to a previous role that you are no longer continuing please can you return it/them so that they can be signed back in. If you have been provided with a key since 2013 and have never signed a key-holder form please could you arrange to do so via Carol or Linda. Any couples sharing a key should have both completed a form. If you are unsure then let us know and we can check for you. *This is also a gentle reminder that part of the key-holder declaration is that you have agreed not to lend a key to any other person.*

Exciting times ahead for St James' Youth Group, which is being relaunched as **Ignite** from September, with Cathy Laird as our new co-ordinator. At the moment we have four very willing female volunteers, but we are looking for a bit of balance for the boys in the shape of a **male volunteer**. Ignite meets fortnightly on a Friday between 7.30pm and 9pm. Working with young people is both fun and very worthwhile and we would like to see this work develop more and more at St James'.



A love of seeing young people grow in confidence and faith is essential, but no previous experience is required. Training will be available and DBS clearance required. Please speak to Linda if you are interested or want to know more, or contact Cathy at cathylaird22@googlemail.com

Church email addresses We have set up new consistent email addresses which hopefully are easier for you to remember. Please use these addresses for future correspondence; we will still have access to emails sent previously so you won't need to re-send anything.

Only people who previously have access to emails sent to each separate account will have access to the equivalent new account. Those who currently have access are also listed below.

Church Office: stjameswe@gmail.com

(Revd Linda, Sue Overell, Donna Matteucci)

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Baptisms: stjameswe.baptisms@gmail.com (Revd Linda)

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Prayer requests: stjameswe.prayers@gmail.com (Revd Linda)

Magazine: stjameswe.magazine@gmail.com (Revd Linda, Sue O, Donna)

Music: stjameswe.music@gmail.com (Myles Tyrell)

Ignite (Youth Group): stjameswe.ignite@gmail.com

(Revd Linda, Cathy Laird)

Please speak to Donna if you have any questions.

The Church letter box is also operational. Our address is St James' Church, Church Hill, West End, Southampton SO30 3AT. The letter box is next to the church hall entrance.

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All items for Pew News to be received by **Wednesday** at the latest. Also a reminder that any items for the October Magazine should have been received by today. Please could we ensure that we keep to the beginning of each month deadline so that the preparation and printing of the magazine can be completed as smoothly as possible.