

St James' West End Magazine

September 2022



Thank you to Debbie Becket for this beautiful picture.

Linda writes

Autumn will soon be with us, although signs that it has arrived early have already begun to appear. I quite often like to see if I can find any blackberries in the hedgerows, but this year either many of them have not had a chance to gain full ripeness before becoming dried up or have simply dropped off of the bramble. It would seem that the rose hips and haws have fared better, but I never know what to do with



them apart from make rose hip syrup and how often do we use that nowadays. I remember going through a stage of trying to make home made wines from everything from gorse blossom to rose hips and it was pretty disgusting!

The farmers and producers have been greatly affected by the weather and seasons this year and the drought conditions mean that there will be fewer of some commodities than others. Our harvests may be more meagre, but we can still be thankful for the many blessing that we still have in our lives through God's wonderful creation.

Now is a time when the church as a whole celebrates a season of thankfulness for God's glorious creation. From the beginning of September to October the 4th, when we will ourselves celebrate our Harvest Festival, we are in the season of Creationtide. For some this is a fairly new concept, although people have always recognised and given thanks for God's generosity in providing food from the earth, seas and sky; as it was only since 1989, that the Ecumenical Patriarch of the Orthodox church, suggested that the 1st September, the first day of their church year, should be observed as a day 'of protection of the natural environment'. Ten years this idea was widened to the current period, and that it 'be dedicated to prayer for the protection of Creation and the promotion of sustainable lifestyles that reverse our contribution to climate change'.

You will hear special prayers and liturgy over the coming weeks and on the 17th September there is an opportunity to come and spend a Quiet Day at St James (see poster later in the magazine for full details) and of course we welcome you to join us on the 4th October for our special Harvest Festival service.

Now, more than ever, we need to hearken to that call to adopt lifestyles that will mitigate, reduce and hopefully reverse the effects of climate change, so that God's creation can once more flourish abundantly.... and a nice spell of soft rain wouldn't go amiss either!

God bless.

Linda



What's going on at St James Church?

Services and Diary Dates for September

Friday 2nd 11am Lincoln Court Communion

Sunday 4th – Trinity 12

9.30am Sung Eucharist (Livestreamed) 11:00am Church Alive All Age Communion 3.30pm Parish Afternoon Tea Party followed by

5pm Outdoor 'Songs of Praise'

Tuesday 6th 11am – 12pm Growing in Faith Course – Gladness and Generosity

Wednesday 7th 9.15am Stay and Play 10.30am Sung Eucharist

Thursday 8th 1.30pm Churches Together Meeting

4pm HOPE Meeting

Friday 9th 10.30am - 12pm Community Coffee Morning

Saturday 10th 10am-6pm HIHCT Ride and Stride

2pm Wedding

Sunday 11th – Trinity 13

9.30am Sung Eucharist (Livestreamed) with children's groups

11am Church Alive All Age Informal Service

3pm Holy Baptisms

5.30pm IGNITE Youth Group

Tuesday 13th 11am – 12pm Growing in Faith Course – Serving

Wednesday 14th 9.15am Stay and Play 10.30am Sung Eucharist

3pm Speedwell Court Communion

Saturday 17th 10-4pm Creationtide Quiet Day

Sunday 18th – Trinity 14

9.30am Sung Eucharist (Livestreamed) with children's groups

11am Church Alive All Age Informal Service

6.30pm Evensong

Tuesday 20th 11am – 12pm Growing in Faith Course – Breaking Bread

Wednesday 21st 10.30am Sung Eucharist

12 noon Clergy Chapter at St James

7.30pm PCC Meeting

Sunday 25th – Trinity 15

9.30am Sung Eucharist (Livestreamed) with children's groups

11am Church Alive All Age Informal Service

2pm Holy Baptisms

6.30pm Taizé

Tuesday 27th 11am – 12pm Growing in Faith Course – Sharing Resources

Wednesday 28th 9.15am Stay and Play

10.30am Sung Eucharist

10.30am Sunnycroft Communion

2pm Oaklands Service

Thursday 29th 11am Monthly Prayer Time in the Lady Chapel

Friday 30th 10.30am – 12pm Macmillan Coffee Morning

Weekly Events:

Open Church - The church is open to visit on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays 9am to 3pm and on Wednesdays 11.30am to 3pm.

Morning Prayer is said in Church on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays at 9am.

Choir Practice is in Church on Tuesdays 8pm-9pm. For more information contact our Choir Director, Chris Fay, on stjameswe.music@gmail.com

Stay and Play – Wednesdays 9.15am-10.30am in term time in the church hall. For preschool toddlers and babies and their parents/carers. Cost £1.50 per session and includes an individual snack.

Monthly Events:

1st **Saturday Children's Activity Morning -** From 10am to 11.30am in church. A short interactive talk, crafts and refreshments for children of all ages. For more info and to book to attend please contact Jan <u>j.barrett77@btinternet.com</u> or 07519 759269. *This is starting again after the summer break on 1st October with a Harvest theme.*

2nd Friday Community Coffee Morning - 10.30am to 12pm in the church hall. All welcome. **2nd Sunday Ignite Youth Group** - 5.30pm – 7pm at the Church. For ages 11 to 15. If you would like to find out more, please contact Vicky at <u>stjameswe.vicar@gmail.com</u>.

Last Thursday of the month Prayer Time - Join for a time of prayer for the needs of the world, local community and individuals from 11am to 11.45am in the Lady Chapel in church.

Notices and News:

Creation Season – 1st September to 4th October is creation season when we particularly thank God for our beautiful world and commit to caring for it.

'Growing in Faith' course – all welcome to this course on Tuesdays in the church hall from 11am to 12 noon exploring the 'Holy Habits' Jesus calls us to cultivate in our lives.

Creationtide Quiet Day in Church – Saturday 17th September from 10am to 4pm. All welcome to come for all or half of the day. Take some time out to reflect, pray and spiritually recharge. The day will have a couple of short talks and time for quiet reflection. See the poster and notice at the back of church for more details.

MacMillan Coffee Morning in the church hall, Friday 30th September from 10.30am to 12 noon. Come and support this good cause, enjoy some delicious cake and connect with others.

Harvest Festival – this will be a joint service at 10.30am on Sunday 2nd October followed by a HOPE Harvest lunch. All welcome. Donations to the food bank are invited.

Schools Projects – our Choir Director, Chris, will be going weekly into St James school to share our choral tradition and teach the children hymns. We have a schools team who will be supporting Southampton City Mission in delivering 'Questions of Faith' days in Harefield School.

Church Organ – it might sound good with Chris playing but a third of the church organ doesn't work currently and repair work will begin on it soon. All are invited to an 'Organ Fundraiser' on Saturday 15th October 3pm to 5pm to find out more about how the organ works, what is wrong and the work being done. With Noel, our Building Officer and Chris, our Organist and Choir Director.

Food Bank - donations for the Food Bank can be left in the basket at the back of church.

Tree Trail - Enjoy our September Tree trail in the church grounds.

Contact Details:

Vicar: Rev'd Vicky Maunder <u>stjameswe.vicar@gmail.com</u> or 07762673350 or 023 8114 1192. Associate Priest: Rev'd Linda Galvin <u>rev.lindagalvin@gmail.com</u> or 07934 419302

Anna Chaplain – we have an Anna Chaplain at the church, Carol Kidd, who offers support to older people in the community of all faiths and none. To contact her call 07842 244876 or carolkiddannachaplain@gmail.com

See our website www.stjameswestend.org.uk for more information about church life.



Come along on a batty walk around Townhill Park to learn a bit more about our night time neighbours!

Friday 9th September at 7.15pm at Townhill Park Community Centre.

Meet at Townhill Park Community Centre for a short talk about bats and to learn how to use the bat detectors.

Please note that this event takes place in the dark, and over uneven ground so is not suitable for wheelchairs, pushchairs or very young children.

Children under 16 must be accompanied by a responsible adult during this event.

Please wear sensible, sturdy footwear and dress for the weather.

Places are free, but limited, and must be booked in advance via Eventbrite: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/bat-walk-tickets-391038415427



St James' Church Organ fundraising event

Come and join us on October 15th for a virtual walk through the organ loft and refreshments.

No charge for entry, donations gratefully received, please see Noel's article on next page for further information.

Quiet Spaces

We are all facing the challenges of life at the moment...perhaps you long for some time away from stress and anxiety? Do you feel God calling you to spend some time with him in stillness in the company of a small group from our church community? Perhaps Quiet Spaces might be for you?

We meet about 3 times each school term and new members are always welcome. We have recently started a group that will be meeting in half terms and school holidays. Bookings are made when the days and times are circulated to members.

Each meeting we share prayer, a time of stillness and we discuss our reflections on the theme for the month which aims to bring God's presence into our

everyday lives. If this is something you are feeling called to explore in more detail, please contact Brenda Holden tel. 02380

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The Mysteries of our Organ





Do you enjoy the fantastic sound of our organ and then wonder how that sound is produced?

Everyone can see the pipes pictured on the left above, but did you know that there is a whole room full of pipes hidden behind them?

Or that the keyboard, that many think of as the organ, is in fact just the method that our fantastic organists use to make the myriad of pipes speak to us?

Have you realised that 1/3 of the organ is not working properly and that many pipes are not available for use at the moment?



If any of the above applies to you, then please do join us for a fundraising afternoon on October 15th when Chris and Noel will attempt to explain how the organ works, what is wrong with it and why we need around £25,000 to make it fully operational again.

There may also be the opportunity to try a few stops or press a key or 2 to discover a bit more about how an organist plays the instrument.

Some of you will recall that the organ had a major overhaul in 2010 (a few of you may also remember the rebuild of 1988!) The work required now was not needed at that time. The urgent problem is more structural than the pipes themselves. Interestingly, similar problems were found after the very hot and dry year of 1976. There may be a theme here!



Noel Becket

Children and Young People

As I write this we are looking forward to the end of term and the school holidays and we reflect on the school year that is just finishing and all the wonderful things that our children and young people have experienced. Here at church we have offered a good selection of worship and learning at Pathfinders, Church Alive, Activity mornings and at our youth group, Ignite.

However, as you read this we are looking forward to a new school year and to being able to grow in our faith, planting those seeds that will hopefully mature in time to plant seeds of their own.

Our stories in September focus on Luke, the first week our theme is 'navigating decisions and choices', on the 11th our story is from Luke 15:1-10, 'Mission Impossible' when we will explore why it is important to search for the lost. Luke 16:1-13 is our focus on the18th and we think about being faithful and building a strong community. Finally in September, we explore our Christian values and sharing our resources as we read Luke 16 19-31.

Young People at St James' Church, West End Something for Everyone - All Very Welcome



For babies, toddlers & young children > 4 years old and carers Supporting and nurturing children through storytelling, singing, movement and art and crafts.



For young children < 4 years old Our aim is to encourage a deeper understanding of our Christian faith through bible stories and craft



A time for children to play and adults to chat. Plenty of toys with baby area and baby changing facilities.

Refreshments and a warm welcome. Entrance £1.50



For 11-14+ year olds
Fun, chill out time, challenges,
games, talks, tuck shop & outside
visits
Subs £5 per half- term - first visit

Subs £5 per half- term - first visit no fee

Contacts: stjameswe.childrenswork@gmail.com stjameswe.ignite@gmail.com



A short prayer for the start of a new year of learning, Lord give our children a thirst for knowledge, wisdom and understanding. May their hearts be ready to learn this year at home, school and church. Guide their parents and teachers to encourage kindness and patience in their hearts. As we plant seeds Lord, help them grow. Amen

Jan Barrett stjameswe.childrenswork@gmail.com





for Creationtide
Saturday 17th September
St James' Church, West End
10am to 4pm

Take time out from the routines and responsibilities of daily life to spiritually recharge and spend time with God in our beautiful church and grounds. Suggested donation £10 to include lunch or £5 morning or afternoon only. To book

Contact Linda at rev.lindagalvin@gmail.com
Or phone 07934 419302

From the Registers The Parish of St James' West End

In 2020 and 2021 as Covid hit and the opportunities for Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals became more difficult to organise; together with the fact that we were unable to publish the magazine, one of its features disappeared. This was the public celebration of these events and the recording of them. There are many joyful, sad and surprising stories behind some of these events, but we are including a catch up of all that happened over this period and to date. Future events will now appear regularly in the magazine.



Baptisms in 2021

16th June Bonnie Reese Hopton
11th July Jack John Edward Randall

18th July William R Ivanets 8th August Alice-Rose Hammett 22nd August Finley George Hoile

Elias Alexander Beatty
Hugo Arthur Paddington

28th August Hugo Arthur Paddingt12th September Jacob Nigel Talbot

Cody Christopher Galvin

26th September Oliver Stuart Michael McManus

Layla Mae Dowd

10th October Isaac Harry Smarland
24th October Theo Luca Fleming
31st October Jessica-Lee Diana Briant
7th November Brody James Drew

Ethan James Barnsdall

21st November Connor George Munday

We welcome you into the Lord's family, We are members together of the same heavenly Father.

Weddings in 2021

God is love, and those who live in love, live in God and God lives in them. 1 John 4:16

10th July David Michael Atkinson & Claire Elizabeth Culverwell

7th August Bradley Mitchell Bennet & Lisa Marie Bailey

21st August Paul Andrew Lyons & Jade Loveland

Sheila Holness

24th August Jamie Lee Sotiris Costa & Anita Marie Joan Diana Moss

29th August Martin Stuart Wolf & Carly Louise Paget

Funerals in 2021

16th April

I shall not forget you. Look, I have engraved you on the palm of my hands. Isaiah 49:15-16

15th January
12th February
Audrey May Keel
Jean Rice-Adams
17th February
Ken Freemantle
10th March
Hazel Wallis
8th April
Sylvia Day
9th April
Dave Clothier

Funerals 2021 Continued

18th May Jack Barry Jack Barry on the palm of my hands. Isaiah 49:15-16

21st May Elaine Elvin 10th June **David Memory** 20th July June Talbot **Barbara Dawkins** 21st July Brenda Robinson 30th July 20th October **Barrington Gibbs** 22nd October Barbara Mason 18th November **Dorothy Gilmore Tony Bristow** 8th December

Baptisms in 2022

We welcome you into the Lord's family,

13th March Millie Charlotte Rose Andrews We are members together of the same

3rd April Teddy Oliver Blankley-Legg *heavenly Father.*16th April Bradley James Fry

Asuka Tsuchiya

Adrian Anthony Rogers Julia Maureen Rogers

8th May Millie Mae Adams

Cienna Rose Adams

15th May Bobby Michael Skeet

29th May Arthur Frederick Michael Gallocker

Adalynne Julia Light

26th June Maya Betsy Burton

Maia Avalee Hackshaw

17th July Aston Spicer

Wilfred Mellish

31st July Arthur Boiles

Lucas and Evelyn Moore

21st August Savannah Phelps

Weddings in 2022God is love, and those who live in love,

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22nd April Sam Jordan Hewitt & Sarah Victoria Clarke 24th April Nathan Jeremy Flynn & Chloe Elaine Halford

22nd May

Ben Allen Bradley & Amelia Jane Folds

25th June

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Daniel David Morrison & Rachel Dowley

9th July Callum Scott & Lauren Matthews
30th July Krysty Sullivan & Demi Gorman
6th August Ricky Mauger & Abbie Humphries
18th August Matthew Coulton & Natasha Grogan

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13th April Rosemary Godwin

Colleen Trundell

20th April **Audrey Shepherd** Patricia Gillett 27th April 11th May Sandra Williams Gerald Plant 9th June Patrick Halifax 26th July 4th August **Peter Briggs** David Asman 16th August 24th August Pauline Ireland



Parish Afternoon Tea Party and Sing Along

4th September 3.30 to 6pm

We invite you to join us for bring and share afternoon tea followed by our own 'songs of praise' led by the choir in the church grounds.

Tea will be served from 3.30 followed by singing at 5pm.

All are welcome to join us.



Rotary Shoe Box Appeal



We are supporting the Wessex Rotary
Shoe Box appeal again this year.

There are a couple of differences this year:

Rotary are providing us with flat packed shoe boxes, which are white and can be decorated with stickers, coloured in or wrapped.

There is also an increase in the amount donated to cover ever rising costs to distribute the boxes, the group are requesting £2 per box.

This year there is an added reason to supply the boxes as most of the countries supplied have a number of Ukrainian refugee children presently living within them, who have fled with very little.

Leaflets and boxes will be available in church and boxes need to be returned by mid-October.

Thank you for your support.

The family of Patrick Hallifax would like to extend their thanks to everyone at St James for their condolences, thoughts and prayers on the sad loss of Pat. Thank you to everyone who helped make the funeral service so special. We are so grateful to you all.

Mary, David, Pauline and Family









There will be a coffee morning here at

St James Church
Friday 30th September
10.30 till 12 noon.

For Macmillan Cancer Support
We hope you can join us.











FareShare Larder Harefield

This is a Community Larder run by volunteers, outside Harefield Primary School, Mondays 12:30-14:00. Membership costs from £2.50 - £5 per week depending on size of household. Products include cupboard items, dairy, meat, and some fruit and vegetables. Open to the whole community, not just Harefield Primary School families. Collect a membership form from the larder or by emailing FSSouthernCentral@fareshare.org.uk

AN INVITATION to St James' Community Coffee Morning we look forward to welcoming you



Community Café

Where? St James' Church Hall

Who For? Anyone who wishes to pop in. No need to book just come along on your own or with others

When? The 'second' Friday of each month anytime between 10:30am-12 noon

Come and take the opportunity for a cup of coffee or tea, plus biscuits or cake and friendly chat in these early months of the year as we await brighter days and signs of spring.

As warmer mornings arrive and the weather allows there will be the option of resting awhile at tables and chairs outside in the beautiful churchyard when the trees will be in blossom

Covid prevention measures regarding ventilation etc. will be in place as per recommendations

For further information: email <u>stjameswe.vicar@gmail.com</u> or <u>stjameswe.pastoral@gmail.com</u>

Offering Spiritual Care in Later Life

Carol Kidd is Anna Chaplain for Harefield & West End

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Carol offers a listening ear to, and shares time with, older persons especially the isolated and the lonely, and if needed their families and carers in order to also support them by signposting to other help that may be available.

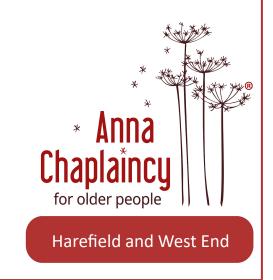
Initial contact can be made by phone or email and this can be followed by further phone contact or if preferred may include a home visit in your own home, in a Care Home or arrangement can be made to meet at St James' Church.

Anna Chaplains are trained in offering spiritual support to

older people by the Anna Chaplaincy team at BRF - a UK - registered Christian charity.

Carol works as our Anna Chaplain in a voluntary capacity and has experience of working in the NHS, in pastoral care and in church ministry as one of St James' Licensed Lay Ministers.

Harefield & West End Anna Chaplaincy is affiliated to Anna Chaplaincy for Older People and is part of the Bible Reading Fellowship [BRF] a Registered Charity [233280]





'Dune' by Frank Herbert

This was a ground-breaking 1965 science fiction novel. In case you didn't read it when it was first around (as I didn't!) it is going to be on my reading list. This decision came after I read a homily that our son, James, delivered to his 8am congregation on Sunday 7th August this year when we were enduring the longest, driest and hottest summer for several decades.

That Sunday, the reading was Luke 12: 32-40 and the relevant phrase which was reflected on for part of the homily was.... "Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also"

Dune refers to a desert planet where most of the action takes place. The story revolves around the hardy native people of this desert planet, who are known as Fremen. The main characters hear rumours about these people and then they meet them and stay with them.

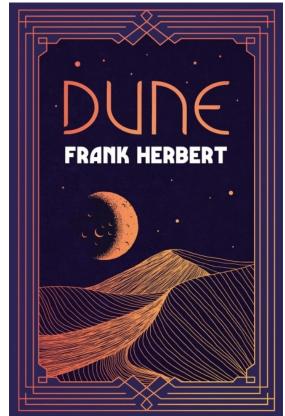
These Fremen, these desert people, are obsessed with water. All their industry, their relationships, even their religion and the way they dispose of their dead - all of it is utterly focused on water. They wear airtight outfits that capture all their body fluids and recycle them; they boast that a person using one of these units will only lose a thimble full of water every day.

The Fremen are ideally suited to live in their place. Part of that is that they know precisely where their priorities should be. One of the great ironies of the story is that these desert people are surrounded by 'Spice', the most valuable substance in the universe. 'Spice' is a drug that all the characters want, but all the Fremen care about is water.

On reflection, I wonder if our awareness of water as a precious commodity during the drought might have made us feel the same desire for God and the Kingdom as the desire of Fremen for water?

I am very much looking forward to reading **Dune**!

Brenda Holden



Thankyou to Brenda who submitted our 'Book Club' review this month. Please send in your reviews to <u>stjameswe.magazine@gmail.com</u>, it is always lovely to share the likes, dislikes and recommendations of books, fiction or non-fiction.



Come and join us on Sunday 2nd October at 12 noon to celebrate harvest together with a tasty lunch.

Please contact Fiona 02380 465592 or Jan 02380 476777

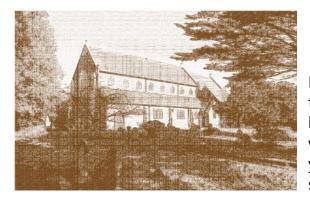
to book your place

September Tree Trail

Our tree trail in September reflects Harvest and some harvest songs, and you will find a range of activities at the trees to reflect the words of the songs. Look out for scarecrow paper plates, cheerio bird feeders and harvest crosses, we hope you enjoy using the trail.



Christmas Tree Festival The festival will return to St James this December. This very popular event will take place from Friday 9th – Sunday 11th December. We are in the very early stages of planning so if you would like some further details, or would just like to be kept informed as the plans progress, please get in touch with Helen Wiseman at hwiseman@hotmail.co.uk or call 07787 511 625.



Life At St James

Recalling events and activities over the years since 1890, this gives us a fascinating glimpse into what was happening at St James' church set in the context of the world around it. Maybe this will stir some memories of your own. Please do share them at stjameswe.magazine@gmail.com

125 years ago (1897) – A healthy collection for the Mission for Seafarers was recorded; totalling £2 15s 7d. This was far above that recorded for the Churchwarden's Expenses and almost as much as a whole month's collection for the Sick and Needy. This could tell us something about the nature of how seafarer's were valued in this area both then and now, and we are pleased to have our new connection through the Reverend Paul Burt. This will also be a topic for discussion at Deanery Synod.

100 years ago (1922) – The Parish had carefully been compiling a list of all those who had left from the village or been connected to it for War Service. It was hoped that 'the list will be carefully preserved by the people of this Parish and not to be lost or set aside as unimportant'. It was anticipated, that as people pondered the list, there would be a desire to uphold the ideals that the sacrifice of life had demanded and that 'we must all use our influence to establish *the League of Nations* as a sure foundation for Universal Peace.' N.B. The League of Nations had been established on the 10 January 1920 by the Paris Peace Conference that ended the First World War and many of its components were included in the formation of the United Nations in April 1946.

75 years ago (1947) – Apparently 'The Mystery Trip' 'was a real mystery. Even Mr Barfoot did not know where he was going next'! The day trippers however, found themselves in Winchester, Stockbridge and Romsey and 'a glorious evening' was had by all. One wonders if Mr Barfoot was actually the organiser of the trip or someone who generally had an opinion on what was happening at all times!

50 years ago (1972) – The vicar, Howard Green, mentioned 'the delight which the churchyard-turned-garden has been to many people this year' It was down to the hard work of six or seven people and they were thanked for their efforts. This bodes well for our own efforts to use the churchyard in different ways as part of being an Eco-Church and creating opportunities for gardening will be one of them.

10 years ago (2012) - Alan Jenkins wrote during the interregnum, that the fact that there was a lack of full-time stipendiary ministers should be seen as an opportunity to recognise and welcome the pastoral gifts of many lay people in all spheres of ministry. There is as true today as it was then and we should celebrate the work of all lay people and volunteers within the family of St James and recognise their dedication and ministry.

Last month I mentioned the coming together of all seven ships of P & O Cruises as part of their 175th anniversary and wondered if Captain Noel Becket was involved in some way. He was indeed and send a couple of picture over.



The one on the left is an official photograph of the ships in convoy.

The one on the right is Noel's personal view; as he says, 'I was the pilot of ship 6 in the convoy - Azura. A fantastic day!

Would you like to join a group of Litter Picking Heroes in Harefield?

I am planning to start a 'Litter Picking Group' of volunteers to take occasional short walks along the roads in Harefield and pick up litter as we go. This is an ideal way to indulge in some gentle exercise and chat!

We are told by the NHS that exercise and socialising are good for both our physical and mental health! As part of this group we will also be taking action to improve the environment of our local community! What could be better for health and well-being?

Please contact me to join up....Brenda Holden email: bmholden84@gmail.com Tel. 80474826 I look forward to hearing from you!

Litter Picking heroes needed



Are you frustrated by litter in your local area?
Are you keen to do your bit to tackle it, whilst getting fresh air and gentle exercise?

SO18 Big Local are looking for local litter picking heroes that will pledge to do a spot of occasional litter picking in their own neighbourhood within the SO18 Big Local area. We can provide you with

a free litter picking stick and a bag hoop to

use - we can also link you with other like-minded







The St James 200 Club

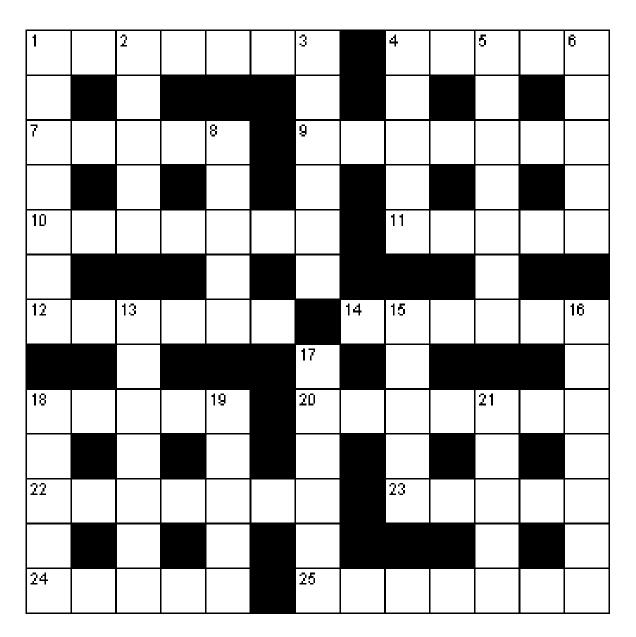
Have you thought about joining the St James 200 Club?

The monthly draw costs £5 per ticket which entitles you to have
5 numbers in the draw for each ticket. Each month 3 prizes are drawn.

Up to 45% of the monthly subscriptions are dedicated to prize money, the remainder raises funds for St James Church. Up to November 2021 the club has raised £2260

For more details please contact Reverend Linda Galvin at rev.lindagalvin@gmail.com

Crossword for September 2022



Across

- 1. Floorshow (7) 4. Spooky (5)
- 7. Detection device (5)
- 9. Vertical (7)
- 10. Inactivity (7)
- 11. Measuring implement (5)
- 12. Dictator (6)
- 14. Ecclesiastic (6)

- 18. Copious (5) 20. Drawn (7) 22. Pouch worn with a kilt (7)
- 23. Diadem (5)
- 24. Admittance (5)
- 25. Spiny anteater (7)

Down

- 1. Transported (7) 2. Emblem (5)
- 3. Tropical bird (6)
- 4. Mistake (5) 5. Dependable follower (7)
- 6. Go in (5) 8. Magnitude relation (5) 13. Reinforcement (7)
- 15. Reasoned judgment (5) 16. Musical passage (7)

- 17. Opportunity (6) 18. Part of a church (5) 19. Ahead of time (5)
- 21. Obviate (5)

Kingdom Kids



Luke 14.1,7-14

Many pharisees felt that Jesus did not keep the laws carefully enough, so Jesus told a story to help people understand more about God and his values.







What changes are needed to make our Church more welcoming? How can we help people to know that they are included? Design your own logo or slogan to show these ideas.



Go through the maze to reach Jesus. Make sure that you go past every person and invite them to meet Jesus, so that everyone is included.





Church of England Telephone Line

If you know of someone who doesn't have access to online services the Church of England have launched a free national telephone line offering music, prayers and reflections as well as

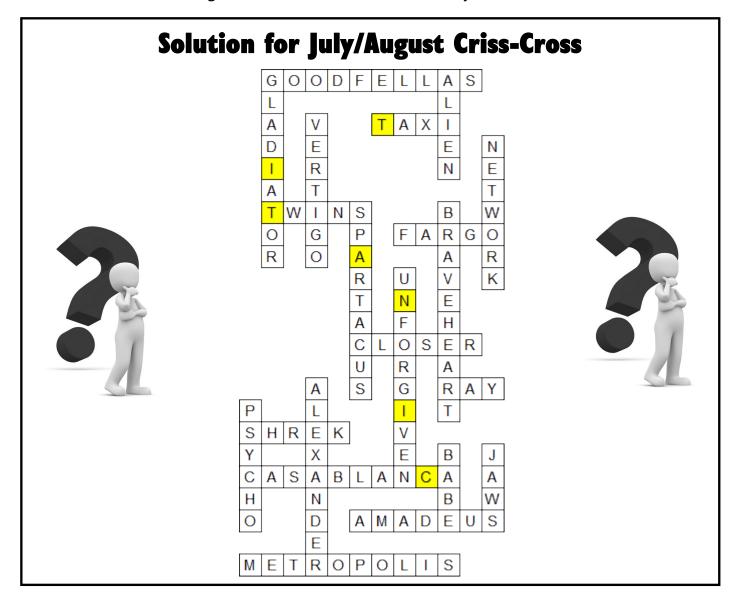
full services. It is available 24 hours a day on 0800 804 8044. Callers will hear a special greeting from the Archbishop before being able to choose from a range of options including hymns, prayers and reflections. Please do let anyone know who might find this helpful.

WEST END CORONAVIRUS SUPPORT

This group has a Facebook page called "West End Coronavirus Support Group" and residents can also contact Julie Haylett, the organiser, on 028 8047 0610.

They have also collected shopping and other essentials thanks to the volunteers in the group who are offering their time to help other in need within their community.

The team are also working with local fish and chip shops in West End on a Wednesday and have been delivering meals to those who are currently stuck inside.



Time for God

(Adapted from a reflection in **A Balanced Life** printed by Saint Andrew Press)

I sit down, Lord,

to watch television, to check my phone, to send a text, to follow Facebook, to write a letter, to rest my feet, to listen to music, to read the paper, to shut my eyes and forget the news.

You sit down, Lord,

to wait for me to be ready for you.

Help me, among the other things

for which I sit, to remember you waiting for me.

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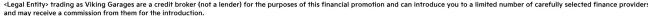


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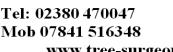
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