

6<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> October

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<b>Sun 6<sup>th</sup></b>	10.30am	Parish Eucharist (St James & YouTube)
	6pm	Reflective Service (St James & YouTube)
<b>Tues 8<sup>th</sup></b>	10am	Welcome Café (Church House)
	11.30am	Craft Club (Church House)
<b>Thurs 10<sup>th</sup></b>	10:30am	Eucharist (St James)
<b>Fri 11<sup>th</sup></b>	10am	Jimmy Tots (Church House)
<b>Sat 12<sup>th</sup></b>	9am	Parish Prayers (zoom)
	10am	Open to Questions (Church House)
<b>Sun 13<sup>th</sup></b>	8am	Eucharist (St James)
	9am	Eucharist (St Johns)
	10.30am	Eucharist (Christ the King)
	10.30am	Morning Worship (St James & YouTube)
	3pm	Wave of Light Baby Loss (St James)

### Parish Notices

**Why do we...? Does God...? Why did Jesus...?** Please join us for a time of being Open to Question on a church theme. Quiz a Parish Panel on a wide range of topics of your choosing. Ask about Life, Faith, God... anything you like really. Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October 10-11.30am Church House Coffee, tea & goodies. Everyone welcome (plus a friend if you like) **Please send questions in advance, via the Church Office**

**Wave of light** - to mark Baby Loss Week we will be holding a short reflective service as part of this year's Wave of Light at 3pm on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October in St James Church. This will be an opportunity to name, to remember, to pray, to grieve and, should we wish, to talk. All are welcome

**The church will be closed on Monday (7<sup>th</sup> October) and Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup>** for upgrading of the lighting to LEDs. This should give brighter light with less energy use. We are grateful to the Diocese for giving us a grant towards this.

**We also expect to start the ground works for the Pod on 7<sup>th</sup> October.** This will involve some excavation of the paths between the South transept and the road. The interior work is now scheduled to start on 6<sup>th</sup> January to avoid disruption to Christmas services and events.

**From Pam Owen** - I took the donations to Narthex Sparkhill who were very pleased. Altogether there was over £260.00 plus 72 kg of food. I go most Mondays and often I'm able to pack the bags that have been cut out and made by Shirley Parish, and today I was proud to see in the packing room lots of bags that have been made by us.

**Exciting news!** Our Journey to the Stable and Easter projects have been shortlisted for the National Churches Trust Volunteers Award. This is a great achievement and recognition of all the time and dedication given by the team over the last 20 years.

**Macmillan Coffee Morning** The welcome café raised an amazing £302.56 during its Macmillan coffee morning 24<sup>th</sup> September. Thank you to all who supported and donated.

**Poppies** See the notice on the back of this sheet about the poppy wall

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**For Prayer** Our Area Dean

**Those Who Have Died** Edna Baker, Sheila Griffin

**Years Mind** Norman Froggatt, Janet Butts, William Chapman, Kenneth Orton, Frederick Barton, Constance Hobbs, Joan Bragg, Edna Ayles

**Coming up...**

**Coffee Morning** - at St John's Church - Mon 14<sup>th</sup> Oct 10.30am until 12 noon - all welcome!

**Book sale, coffee and cake** - On Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> October at 10.30am in Church House the Friends of St James will be holding a book sale. Donations of books can be left at the Parish Office (Tuesday-Friday). Come and join us - browse the books and enjoy a coffee and cake.

**Sunday Lunch** - The next Sunday Lunch will be on the 20<sup>th</sup> October. Menu and sign up sheet will be available from Sunday in the back of St James or contact Jan directly on 07969 326531.

**Christmas By Candlelight** The Friends of St. James are now selling tickets for "Christmas by Candlelight". This is a three course Christmas meal with all the trimmings on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November at 7.30pm in Church House. Tickets cost £17 each and are on sale in the Parish Office.

## Readings for Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October

### Isaiah 61: 1-4

The Good News of Deliverance The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners; to proclaim the year of the LORD's favour, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; to provide for those who mourn in Zion— to give them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit. They will be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, to display his glory. They shall build up the ancient ruins, they shall raise up the former devastations; they shall repair the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations.

### Luke 10: 1-11

After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, "Peace to this house!" And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the labourer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, "The kingdom of God has come near to you." But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, "Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near."

### Collect

O God, forasmuch as without you we are not able to please you; mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Over 5,000 poppies need to be attached to a backing fabric to make the 'poppy wall' which is hung down the tower at St James. A smaller hanging is also to be done for St Johns.

#### **PLEASE VOLUNTEER SO THAT WE CAN MAKE THIS HAPPEN!**

A work station is to be set up in Church House week beginning 7<sup>th</sup> October for 2 weeks.

Please sign up on the timetables available in the 3 churches.

You can also contact the Parish Office if you wish to help.

Thank you in advance for all of your support and to those who have kindly been busy knitting for us.

