



13th October – 20th October

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Sun 13th	8am	Eucharist (St James)
	9am	Eucharist (St Johns)
	10.30am	Eucharist (Christ the King)
	10.30am	Morning Worship (St James & YouTube)
	12.30pm	Baptism (St James)
	3pm	Wave of Light Baby Loss (St James)
Tues 15th	10am	Welcome Café (Church House)
Wed 16th	12pm	Ploughman's Lunches (Church House)
Thurs 17th	10:30am	Eucharist (St James)
	1pm	Funeral (St James)
Fri 18th	10am	Jimmy Tots (Church House)
Sat 19th	9am	Parish Prayers (St James)
	10am	Messy Church (St James)
Sun 20th	8am	Eucharist (St James)
	9am	Morning Worship (St Johns)
	10.30am	Morning Worship (Christ the King)
	10.30am	Healing Eucharist (St James & YouTube)
	12.30pm	Baptism (St James)
	12.30pm	Sunday Lunch Club (Church House)

For Prayer Earlswood Methodist Church

Those Who Have Died Edna Baker, Sheila Griffin & Shirley Rose

Years Mind Ralph Ingham, Alan Frazier, Frank Jay, Herbert Joyce, Dennis Cheshire & Florence Coombe

Coffee Morning – at St John's Church at 10:30am Mon 14th Oct – All welcome

Sunday Lunch - on the 20th October. Menu and sign up sheet are available in the back of St James or contact Jan directly on 07969 326531.

Nordic (or not) Walk next walk will be on Monday 21st October in Brueton Park, Solihull, please meet in car park, Warwick Rd end B91 3HA @ 10 30 am. Contact Jan 0121 744 8146 jangardner2203@gmail.com All welcome!

Friends of St James Book sale, coffee and cake - Saturday 26th October at 10.30am in Church House. Donations of books can be left at the Parish Office (Tues- Fri). Please join us - browse the books and enjoy coffee and cake.

Open Afternoon at Shirley Methodist Church - This is being held on Saturday 26th October between 2-5pm celebrating 30 years of their building. Further information on the flyers located in church & on the parish notice boards

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 23rd November at 7.30pm in Church House. Tickets cost £17 each and are on sale in the Parish Office.

October 100 Club Winners - £50 Ann Blackford - £25 Jenny Allen

FOOD BANK – The current appeal is for tinned chick peas and rice pudding.

GROWBABY – Now open again on Tuesday mornings by appointment. They are now asking for warm coats and anoraks

POPPIES

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!
IF WE DO NOT HAVE MORE VOLUNTEERS THIS SADLY WILL NOT HAPPEN IN TIME!

A work station was set up in Church House week beginning 7th October for 2 weeks. Please sign up on the timetables available in the 3 churches.

Thank you in advance for all of your support and to those who have kindly supported us so far.



The UK is one of the most nature-depleted countries in Europe. Please consider signing this petition to encourage the Church of England to rewild at least 30% of its landholdings to support nature and wildlife. <https://tinyurl.com/CofErewildpetition>

Readings for Sunday 13th October

Amos 5.6-7,10-15

Seek the LORD and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it. Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground! They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth. Therefore, because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine. For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins— you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate. Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time. Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said. Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

Hebrews 4.12-end

The word of God is alive and active, sharper than any double-edged sword. It cuts all the way through, to where soul and spirit meet, to where joints and marrow come together. It judges the desires and thoughts of the heart. There is nothing that can be hid from God; everything in all creation is exposed and lies open before his eyes. And it is to him that we must all give an account of ourselves.

Let us, then, hold firmly to the faith we profess. For we have a great High Priest who has gone into the very presence of God—Jesus, the Son of God. Our High Priest is not one who cannot feel sympathy for our weaknesses. On the contrary, we have a High Priest who was tempted in every way that we are, but did not sin. Let us have confidence, then, and approach God's throne, where there is grace. There we will receive mercy and find grace to help us just when we need it.

Mark 10:17-31

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, 'Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: "You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honour your father and mother.'" He said to him, 'Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.' Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, 'You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, 'How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!' And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, 'Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.' They were greatly astounded and said to one another, 'Then who can be saved?' Jesus looked at them and said, 'For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.'

Peter began to say to him, 'Look, we have left everything and followed you.'

Jesus said, 'Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.'

Collect

God, the giver of life, whose Holy Spirit wells up within your Church: by the Spirit's gifts equip us to live the gospel of Christ and make us eager to do your will, that we may share with the whole creation the joys of eternal life; 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.

If you wish to contribute to the notice sheet, please contact the Parish Office by 9am Wednesday (max of 3 sentences). Longer articles to shirleyparishmagazine@gmail.com by the 12th