

17th – 24th November 2 Before Advent

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Sun 17 th	9am	Morning Worship (St Johns)
	10.30am	Eucharist (St James & YouTube)
	10.30am	Morning Worship (Christ the King)
Tues 19 th	10am	Welcome Café (Church House)
	11.30am	Craft Club (Church House)
	7pm	START Course (Church House)
Thurs 21st	10:30am	Eucharist (St James)
Fri 22 nd	10am	Jimmy Tots (Church House)
Sat 23 rd	9am	Parish Prayers (Zoom)
	7.30pm	Christmas by Candlelight (Church House)
Sun 24 th	8am	Eucharist (St James)
	9am	Eucharist (St Johns)
	10.30am	Worship 4 Everyone (St James & YouTube)
	10.30am	Patronal Eucharist (Christ the King)

Parish Notices

The Parish Office Is closed to visitors on Mondays and closes at 11.15am on Fridays. Thank you for your support. The office will be closed Thursday 21st November as Emily is on annual leave.

Journey to the Stable will run from 25th -29th November. During this week the St James building will be CLOSED. The Eucharist on Thursday 28th November will be in Church House.

Memorial Service – This year's memorial service is at 7pm on Thursday 5th December. It is an opportunity to remember those we miss who are no longer with us. If you would like a name read out please let Emily in the Office know, or write the name on the list at the start of the service. All are welcome.

Let's be honest about money – Please take home and read the leaflet about money given with the pewslip today. It outlines what the church needs and how you can help. Please address any questions to Rev Paul or to Ian Longbottom, our Treasurer, who can be contacted via the Parish Office.

Welcome Café 5th November raised an amazing £230 for the Alzheimer's Society. Thank you to everyone for their kind donations.

Christmas By Candlelight The Friends of St. James tickets for "Christmas by Candlelight" have now sold out! Thank you to everyone who has supported this event. We are looking forward to seeing you all there!

Gift Tree We are collecting Christmas gifts for the clients of ADAVU. There is a tree covered in gift labels in St James church. Please take a label(s), buy the gift, wrap it and return it on a Sunday morning. The gifts will be made up as bags for the people that they are currently supporting. In order to get the gifts distributed in time please bring them on Sunday 24th November at the latest. Any queries to Sarah 07946378144.

Christmas Carol service – Harry will be getting a choir together to sing at the service on Sunday 15th Dec at 6pm. Please let the office know if you would like to take part (unless you have told Harry already)

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For Prayer Local Hospitals

Those Who Have Died Stewart Phillips & Janet Wilson

Years Mind Harold Parkes Anthony Clifton Hughes, Janet Lilly, Desmond Oliver Foreshew, Toni Page, Canon Richard Simpson, Ernest Garwood, Lindsey Halliburton, Olive Baugh & David Williams

CHRISTMAS CHEER REQUEST -SPARKHILL FOOD BANK

Alongside our usual donations in support of the Food Bank let us also spread some

A CHRISTMAS CHEER **A**

or at Church House.

We can do this by donating biscuits, bars of chocolate, mince pies, stollen and selection boxes. (No nuts or alcohol) This collection will begin on Monday November 25th and run for two weeks until Monday December 9th. Donations can be left in church

🧓 Please help spread a little cheer! 🌆







Readings 17th November

Psalm 16

Song of Trust and Security in God.

Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge. I say to the Lord, 'You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you.' As for the holy ones in the land, they are the noble, in whom is all my delight. Those who choose another god multiply their sorrows; their drink-offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names upon my lips. The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot. The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; I have a goodly heritage. I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me. I keep the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved. Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body also rests secure. For you do not give me up to Sheol, or let your faithful one see the Pit. You show me the path of life. In your presence there is fullness of joy; in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

Hebrews 10:11-25

Day after day every priest stands and performs his religious duties; again and again he offers the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. But when this priest had offered for all time one sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God, and since that time he waits for his enemies to be made his footstool. For by one sacrifice he has made perfect forever those who are being made holy. The Holy Spirit also testifies to us about this. First he says: "This is the covenant I will make with them after that time, says the Lord. I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds." Then he adds: "Their sins and lawless acts I will remember no more." And where these have been forgiven, sacrifice for sin is no longer necessary. Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Mark 13:1-8

The Destruction of the Temple Foretold

As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, 'Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!' Then Jesus asked him, 'Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.' When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, 'Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?' Then Jesus began to say to them, 'Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumours of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.

Collect

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.