

PARISH CHURCH OF ST.JAMES, HILL.
WHAT'S ON, WHERE AND WHEN.
WEEK BEGINNING 11th MARCH 2018.
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OUR MISSION STATEMENT.

The family of St. James is part of God's presence in the community of Mere Green. We aim
*to show God's love in worship and service;
*to offer a place where people feel welcome and valued;
*and to invite all people to share and journey with us in a deepening relationship with God.

COLLECT: God of love, passionate and strong, tender and careful: watch over us and hold us all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Services today, Fourth Sunday of Lent/Mothering Sunday.

8.00am Said Holy Communion.
10.00am Parade Service 'The Gift of Parenting'.
6.30pm Mothering Sunday Reflections – St.James.

Readings – not known.

Through the Week.

Mon. 12th 2.00-4.00pm Lent Course – Session 4

Tues. 13th 7.30am Early Risers Communion.
7.30pm PCC Meeting in the Taylor Gallery

Wed. 14th 10.30am Midweek Holy Communion.
7.00-9.00pm Lent Course – Session 4

Thurs. 15th 12noon-2.00pm Fifth Hearty Soups for Lent.

Sat. 17th 10.00am-12. Noon Lent Course –Session 4
10.00am-2.00pm Children & Families
Volunteer Luncheon – Scout Hut.

IMPORTANT NOTICE. The Church has a loop system. Large print hymn and service books are available as well as other aids for visually impaired. Please ask sides people. A ground floor toilet is available in the Vestry. If you feel you are unable to go up to the altar for communion, please speak to a sides person on duty who will arrange either for someone to help you, or for you to receive communion in your pew. Baby changing facilities

are available in the Taylor Gallery.

A CYCLE OF PRAYER FOR THIS WEEK.

Daily Readings.

Monday Exodus 2:11-22; Hebrews 9:1-14
Tuesday Exodus 2:23-3:20; Hebrews 9:15-end
Wednesday Exodus 4:1-23; Hebrews 10:1-18
Thursday Exodus 4:27-6:1; Hebrews 10:19-25
Friday Exodus 6:2-13; Hebrews 10:26-end
Saturday Exodus 7:8-end; Hebrews 11:1-16

SUNDAY: Worldwide Church: Masindi-Kitara (Uganda), Bishop David, Bishop Anne, and in the parish: Shepherds Pool Road; Our PCC Secretary.

MONDAY: Worldwide Church: Maseno South, Maseno West (Kenya), and in the parish: Sherifoot Lane; Members of the PCC.

TUESDAY: Worldwide Church: Massachusetta (I The Episcopal Church), and in the parish: Slade Road; Sowers Court; Our Verger.

WEDNESDAY: Worldwide Church: Masvingo (Central Africa), and in the parish: Streater Road; Stringer Close; The Mothers' Union.

THURSDAY: Worldwide Church: Matabeleland (Central Africa), and in the parish: The Dovecotes, Our Organist, Choir and Musicians.

FRIDAY: Worldwide Church: Matlosane (formerly Klerksdorp) (Southern Africa) and in the parish: Tower Road; The Servers.

SATURDAY: Worldwide Church: Meath & Kildare (Dublin, Ireland), and in the parish: Trinity Road, Sides People.

NOTICES.

MOTHERS' UNION CAKE SALE – this morning in the Church Centre after the 10.00am service.

ELECTORAL ROLL REVISION. The church Electoral Roll is now open for revision for four weeks from Sunday 25th February and will close on Sunday 25th March. Any member of the congregation who wishes to have their name added to the Electoral Roll should complete a form (supplies located at the back of church), and hand it to a member of the clergy or myself by the closing date of Sunday 25th March. If your name is already on the Electoral Roll, then no action is required.

Martin Addinell – Electoral Roll Officer.

WORSHIP NOW! The next meeting of Worship Now! will be on Wednesday 14th March 8.00-9.30pm at 76 Cremorne Road.. For more information please contact either Gwen Giles on 07773336238 or 308 6691 or Sue Cutler on

07471684567 or 353 6521.

EASTER LILY BOX is now available at the back of church for you to remember loved ones.

EASTER SERVICE CARDS. This year's Easter cards are now ready for distribution around the area. If you are able to help with delivering them, please do collect them from the back of the church. Many thanks. Margaret Nicholls.

M.U.DIARY.

Mon. 12th March 8.00pm Ruth Loutit: Traidcraft.
Roughley Suite.

Mon. 9th April 1.45pm Change to programme.
'Lin Jenks 'Knitting Birmingham' –
Langley Room.

Mon. 9th April Laurence Parkes- Hamlin Fistula UK,
Roughley Suite.

KNIT & NATTER. The next meeting will be on Tuesday 20th March at 11.00am in the Church Centre Foyer. Wool and patterns are provided, we are a very friendly group and welcome beginners who wish to learn a new skill. Come and have a cuppa and cake. For further details contact Brenda on 308 1598.

CHILDREN & FAMILIES VOLUNTEER

LUNCHEON. So, I am pleased to invite you for another time of fellowship and opportunity to network with each other on the 17th March 10.00am – 2.00pm in the Scout Hut. We will also have a special guest speaker joining us from the Diocese's Transforming Church Team, my line manager Director of Growing Younger Ruth Hassall. Please come with an appetite as our luncheon will be catered supporting the local business Bean Green Kitchen. Please RSVP to the Centre Office on 308 0869 or by email to cfm.st.jameshill@gmail.com. Many thanks Emili Lowery-CFM.

M.U. OUTREACH. There is a Quiet Day to be held 10.30-3.00pm on Wednesday 2nd May 2018 at The Trinity Centre, Church Hill, Mill Street, Sutton Coldfield, with Bishop Anne Hollinghurst. You will need to take a packed lunch. If you wish to go Please ring Brenda on 308 1598.

CANCER SUPPORT CENTRE RAFFLE. Raffle tickets on sale now from the Centre on Lindridge Road or via Briony (07917 305995) for a Vienna Scooter, which has been donated to them. Tickets are £5 each and the draw will take place on the 20th April 2018. Thank you. Briony.

ROTAS are available for collection for readers, chalice and intercessions from the letter-rack at the back of church.

ST. BASIL'S STARTER KIT – Lent Appeal 2018

As you may know St. James has a link with a hostel run by St. Basil's in Erdington. They help young homeless people move off the streets and into accommodation, setting up their own homes, some for the first time. These young people, mainly men, need the usual household items, preferably new, but nearly new would also be welcome. Below is a list of items that would be appreciated and can be left in the box at the back of church. I will be taking the items collected during the first week in April.

Thank you. Tina.

Duvet cover (single), Pillow case, fitted sheet (single) Pillow, Duvet, bath and hand towel, tea towel, knife, spoon, fork, vegetable knife, tin opener, slotted spoon, fish slice, teaspoon, small and medium pans, frying pan, chopping board, Pyrex dish, washing up bowl & liquid, toothpaste, toothbrush, toiletries, glass beaker, cereal bowl, dinner and side plate, mugs, toilet rolls, soap powder, sponge/scourer/dishcloth **ONLY THINGS ON THE LIST & OF A GOOD QUALITY PLEASE. No clothes, Thank you.**

LENT LUNCHESES. Despite our numbers being down this week, we still managed to raise £166.35 bringing our total to date to £961.65. I do hope you will come and support us for our final 2 weeks. Our thanks again to all who come and support us, to the volunteers who help on the day and also those who regularly supply us with cakes. Your support is very much appreciated. Margaret Nicholls.

CHURCH CENTRE FILM CLUB. The next film to be shown on Saturday 24th March 7.30pm is 'Viceroy's House' starring Hugh Bonneville, Gillian Anderson, Manish Dayal, Huma Qureshi, Michael Gambon. "The final Viceroy of India Lord Mountbatten is tasked with overseeing the transition of British India to independence but meets conflict." £4 pay on the day – bring your own drinks and popcorn. Let Ray know 308 6691 if you are coming. **NOTICES FOR THE WEEKLY WHAT'S ON NEWSLETTER.** If you wish to put a notice in the "What's On", there are three ways to achieve this, either write your message in the blue book at the back of Church; phone me on 308 3562 or email margandtony.hughes@gmail.com stating how many times you would like the notice to appear Margaret

**Services next Sunday 18th March 2018
Fifth Sunday in Lent.**

8.00am Said Holy Communion.

10.00am Parish Holy Communion.

6.30pm Evening Service All Saints.

Readings for next Sunday:

at Communion: Hebrews 5:5-10; John 12:20-33

ALL SAINTS PILGRIMAGE. So far 11 people have signed up as being interested in the holiday to Austria and visit to the Oberammergau Passion Play for July 2020. We need at least 15 people to make the trip viable. I will leave a final decision on cancellation for a few more weeks. It has been suggested that people might be interested in joining pilgrimage to the Holy Land including Jerusalem and the Sea of Galilee in late Spring 2019. The cost of this which includes all meals would be approx.£1845 for a ten day holiday including visits to the Dead Sea and Massada. Further information from Derek Limbert 408 1866 or dereklimbert198@gmail.com