

PARISH CHURCH OF ST.JAMES, HILL.
WHAT'S ON, WHERE AND WHEN.
WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 22nd APRIL 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: Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep: teach us to hear your voice and to follow your command, that all your people may be gathered into one flock, to the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

Services today, The Fourth Sunday of Easter.

8.00am Said Holy Communion.

10.00am Parish Holy Communion, followed by
APCM in Church.

6.30pm Celtic Prayers – St. James.

Readings for today:

at Communion: Psalm 23; John 10,11-18

Through the Week.

Tues. 24th 7.30am Early Risers Communion.

Wed. 25th 10.30am Midweek Holy Communion.

Thurs. 26th 12.noon-2.00pm Hope Café.

Sat. 28th 3.00-5.00pm Messy Church.

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	Joshua 1:1-9; Ephesians 6:10-20
Tuesday	Exodus 32:15-34; Luke 3:1-14
Wednesday	Isaiah 62:6-10; Acts 12:25-13:13
Thursday	Exodus 34:1-10,27end; Luke 4:1-13
Friday	Exodus 35:20-36:7; Luke 4:14-30
Saturday	Exodus 40:17-end; Luke 4:31-37

SUNDAY: Worldwide Church: The Nippon Sei Ko Kai (The Anglican Communion in Japan) Bishop David, Bishop Anne, and in the parish: Duncalfe Drive; Dunton Close; Local Councillors.

MONDAY: **George, martyr, patron of England.**

Worldwide Church: Central Florida, Central Gold Coast (IV The Episcopal Church), and in the parish: Edwards Road; Local M.P. and M.E.Ps.

TUESDAY: Worldwide Church: Central Newfoundland (Canada), and in the parish: Essex Road; Ethelred Close; Social Services.

WEDNESDAY: **Mark the Evangelist** Worldwide Church: Central Philippines (Philippines), and in the parish: Home-Help and Home Care Services.

THURSDAY: Worldwide Church: Central New York (III The Episcopal Church), and in the parish: Farmstead Close; Local Charities / Voluntary Work.

FRIDAY: Worldwide Church: Central Solomons (Melanesia), and in the parish: Farnborough Court; Ferrers Close; Guide and Scout Groups.

SATURDAY: Worldwide Church: Central Tanganyika (Tanzania), and in the parish: Foresters Way; Young People's Work in Mere Green.

NOTICES.

FOOD AWARENESS SESSIONS. We are holding these sessions in the Langley Hall on Monday 14th and 21st May between 2.00pm-4.00pm. Everyone who has any involvement in either the Church or Centre kitchens is welcome to attend. Places are limited, therefore please contact Andy Cooper or Lizzie Sale in the Church Office (308 0869) for more details and to reserve your place.

KNIT & NATTER. The next meeting will be next Tuesday 24th April 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 tea cake. For further details contact Brenda on 308 1598

HOPE CAFÉ (Church Centre) reopened last Thursday following the Easter break. It would be lovely to see as many of you as possible on a Thursday between 12 noon and 2.00pm. Andy

JANE MITCHELL. Henry Mitchell and Sons Henry and Iain would like to thank everyone who sent kind expressions of sympathy for their loss. They would also like to thank everyone for the kind donations made in memory of Jane, the amount raised and donated to The Children's Society was £593.

SHEILA (B.J.) would like to thank everyone for the cards, calls, messages and prayers. It is much appreciated and heartwarming. I am out of Good Hope for the third time but shall not be able to come back to Church yet. Sheila.

NORAH MORTON. Please join me next Sunday 29th April in the Church Centre after the 10.00am service for drinks and cake to celebrate my 90th birthday. Norah.

MESSY CHURCH. On the 28th April we will be having our final segment of the Lord's Prayer and are doing a massive rainbow Lord's Prayer banner and we need helpers to do the folding and cutting out of paper birds and prayer lettering. Any interested parties would be welcome on next Wednesday 25th April between 12.30-2.30pm at the back of church after the service. Anyone willing to support this ministry can ring me or email me to let me know they are coming, so I can have enough pairs of scissors. Emili Lowery 0788-242-7980.

MESSY CHURCH – Saturday 28th April 3-5 pm will be the final segment of the Lord's Prayer. Four Oaks Toy Library will be there supporting families with small children. Families will be making a Rainbow Banner and all are encouraged to come with their families to take part, help out and or just fellowship with this growing congregation. Emili

M.U. OUTING TO LEICESTER Tuesday 8th May. I am pleased to announce that there has now been enough interest for me to proceed with the booking. Payment to me by cheque to Lynn Penny or by cash asap please, £15 per head. Hazel has kindly obtained maps and information for us already. We will be dropped close to the cathedral/Richard III exhibition. The coach will depart at 9.00am from outside the Church Centre and will leave Leicester at 5.00pm arriving back to the Church Centre by 6.30pm approx.. I will be in touch to obtain 'in case of emergency' information from you before we go. If anyone else would like to come we do have a few seats left on the coach. Please talk to me/ring me on 0121 240 0321 if you do.

ST. JAMES CRAFT & GIFT FAIR. Date for your diary Saturday 18th August 2018 from 10.00am until 2.00pm. St. James Church Centre, with home made cakes and refreshments served throughout the Fair. All profits from the Fair will be donated to Birmingham Mothers' Union – Christian Care for Families. To find out more information contact Tina on 0121 308 7899.

SATURDAY MORNING POP-IN. Our new term started on the 21st April and I would be extremely grateful for any donations of cakes. If you would be willing to bake one for us please put your name on the list at the back of church. With many thanks.

Margaret Nicholls.

TRADCRAFT. The next Traidcraft stall will be on Sunday 6th May in the Church Centre.

VAUGHAN SINGERS in Concert, Tuesday 1st May 7.30pm at Four Oaks Baptist Church, Grange Lane. Please come along and join us for an evening of well known songs and hilarious snippets from our local singers. No admission charge but a retiring collection in aid of Christians Against Poverty.

Sue Hubbard.

CHURCH CENTRE FILM CLUB. The next film to be shown on Saturday 19th May 7.30pm is "Film Stars Don't Die in Liverpool" starring Annette Bening, Jamie Bell and Julie Walters. "Hollywood actress Gloria Grahame finds romance and happiness with a younger man, but her life changes forever when she is diagnosed with breast cancer in the 1970's" Price £4.00 bring your own drinks and popcorn – pay on the day and let Ray Giles know you are coming – 308 6691.

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. As there is a need for me to prepare the What's On earlier, any notices received on Friday morning will be too late for the issue that week. Margaret.

**Services next Sunday 29th April 2018
Fifth Sunday of Easter.**

8.00am Said Holy Communion.

10.00am Parish Holy Communion followed by

Norah Morton's 90th birthday celebration.

6.30pm Evening Service at All Saints.

Readings for next Sunday:

at Communion: 1 John 4:7-end; John 15:1-8

