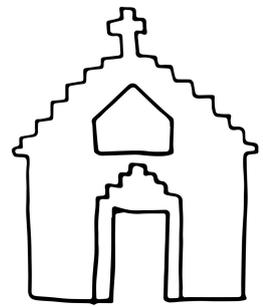


St James News - 14th Feb



Last Sunday's Collect:

Glorious God

The whole creation proclaims your marvellous work:
Increase in us a capacity to wonder and delight in it,
That heaven's praise may echo in our hearts
And our lives be spent as good stewards of the earth,
Through Jesus Christ, our Lord,
Amen.

This Week

Ash Wednesday - 17th Feb

There are two online services - at 12 noon, and 7:45pm.
The Palms have been burnt and the ash blessed - we can deliver ash to your door - please let Christine know if you'd like some. Zoom codes sent out next week.

Coffee and Chat - Friday 3pm - All Welcome

Lent Material

Suggestions for Lent books etc are now online on our website - <https://stjameschurchalderholt.com>

You may also be interested in CAFOD resources - they have daily online activities - and different streams for different ages

Next Week

Lent Course - the Greatest Showman

Starting on Weds 24th Feb - a 5 week course based on the hit movie. A copy of the book - "From now on" by Rachel Mann is helpful, but not essential. We will be showing the relevant clips but you might want to watch the whole film beforehand. Avon Valley Churches are doing a watch party - you have to join their "Partners" to get a link.

We will be doing the course on a Weds - both at 10am and 7:45pm. Zoom codes sent nearer the time.

Vestry Group

Meets next week, Sunday - Feb 21st, 7 - 8pm

Children's Society

If anyone has any Children's Society boxes at home that have not yet been opened due to Covid, could you let Debbie know via email Debbie.emsen@gmail.com or by phone 07792 004312. If anyone would like a new one please could they also let me know and I will deliver one.

For latest news, sermons and links - please go to our website - www.stjameschurchalderholt.com

Children and Families Part time Worker

A candidate has been offered the job, and they are prayerfully considering it. More news next week.

For your prayers

Pray for Carol Edwards and her family. Geoff passed away last week. She was able to be with him. She asked me to pass on her thanks for all the cards, flowers, thoughts and prayers. The funeral will be at St James, and on zoom, in March.

John and Dawn Cox have asked for our prayers

Please pray for Margaret Bulley and her carer Shelley, and for Hazel Manston as Bob continues to look after her.

Pray for teachers and students, in the last week before half term. There will be no going away, or going out, so pray that all will get the rest and refreshment they need,

For all those struggling with emotional and mental health, and physical overload due to the pressures of the pandemic.

Give thanks for the vaccinations - the scientists, the logistics and administrators, and the Doctors, nurses and care staff.

Date of APCM

This important meeting is when we look at the year's accounts, appoint churchwardens, and as charity trustees talk about what we do. Last year we were given dispensation to hold it later in the year, and online, this year its going back to its regular spring time slot. It will be on **Sun 18th April**, as part of our 10:30am service. You will be able to take part online, and depending on restrictions in church as well. We will send the report and accounts out to you in good time so you have a chance to read and submit any comments or questions beforehand.

Recreate

This has now been postponed until 2022.

Future Services

The church building is currently closed, but St James is very much open - the church is the people as well, and loving God and loving our neighbour is still very much going on.