



Loving God,
Loving our Neighbour

St James' News

Sun 5th May – 6th Sunday of Easter - White

8:00 am - Said Communion - Book of Common Prayer

10.30am – Informal Service – What's going on with LGBTQIA+? a brief guide.

10.30am - Sunday Club and Sofa Sessions will leave for their groups after the first reading.

Banns of marriage – Sasha Cosier and Colin Stephen

Readings: 1 Samuel 1: 1 - 4, 11, 17-19, 23- 26 Steve/Jacky Dale
Matthew 16:13 – 20 Gill Dudley

Intercessions – Pam Reynolds

As we *proclaim your gospel* Response: **We welcome and serve all people**

Hymns:

Song You're the word of God the father

Song Beauty for brokenness

207 Heaven shall not wait

375 O let the son of God enfold you

427 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of Creation

Next Sunday 12th May

8:00 am - Said Communion - Book of Common Prayer

10.30am – Parish Communion – The Church and sexuality - our beliefs and where we get them

10.30am - Sunday Club will leave for their groups after the first reading. Sofa Sessions will be staying in to help with serving and sidespeople duties.

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For our prayers

- Dawn Cox
- For the friends and family of Joyce Gould RIP
- For Angela Jordan as she recovers from her hip operation.
- Peace between Israel and Palestine.
- Please continue to pray for the Ukrainian & Russian civilians, that peace comes quickly for both sides.

From our prayer book....

- Vicki Purdey slowly recovering from meningitis and FND. Also, her husband and son during this hard time.
- For the Church family and immediate family of Christine Hensel RIP.

Inclusive Church

Over the next 7 weeks we are going to be exploring sexuality as part of Inclusive church. This includes why we are talking about it, how we should talk about it, and what it might mean. It's important to me that this is a discussion so on Wednesday nights, at 8pm, starting on May 1st, we will have Table Talk. This will be a chance for you to share your thoughts and feelings, and for us to listen to one another - all are welcome, there is no agenda. Sunday sermons are always available on the website.

On Weds **8th May**, Rev Robyn Golden-Hann will join us and share her story and take questions. She is a trans-woman, and a priest in the Church of England.

Coming up

Tuesday 7th May – PCC 7.45pm

Wednesday 8th May – Exploring Sexuality as part of Inclusive Church with guest speaker Rev Robyn Golden-Hann 8.00pm.

Thursday 9th May – 12.00 noon Ascension Day Service

Friday 10th May – Funeral of Joyce Gould RIP 12.30pm

Saturday 18th May – USPG plant sale 2.00-4.00pm at Sue Sims house 52 Ringwood Road

Wednesday 22nd May – APCM 7.30pm

New Notices for this week

Ascension Day - There will be an Ascension Day service in Church at 12.00 noon on Thursday 9th May.

Riser Recliner - If you are in need of a chair to help you stand, or know of someone who does, then please get in touch with Simon.

Deputy Church Warden We are looking for someone to become Deputy Church Warden to assist the Church warden and maybe look to take over as Church Warden in a year or two. If you would like anymore information, then please speak to the Churchwarden or Vicar Simon.

PCC members – At the APCM on the 22nd May we need 3 new PCC members to be appointed. For more details on what being a member of the PCC means please speak to a current PCC member or Church Warden.

Forest Edge - Thank you to those who have already volunteered to fill gaps in the coffee shop rota. However, it makes life much less stressful if we could have a bank of names to go to for a one off 'shift'. So, if you can spare the odd Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday morning and are willing to be on the 'occasional contact' list please let Sue (or Angela J) know. Thank you.

Hope Home coffee morning - Pippa Martin warmly invites you to a coffee morning at her home in Wimborne (65 Grove Road) on Saturday June 1st from 10.30-12.30. All donations will go to the Hope Home trust which supports an orphanage in Tanzania. It will be lovely to catch up with old friends too!

Electoral Roll - If anyone would be interested to join the church Electoral Roll ,before the next APCM, please find the forms at the back of church, or see Romey. The closing date for this year is May 8th.

Poitiers - There is a blue box at the back of church for food and donations to Poitiers, the local charity that meets real social needs in Southampton. If you would like to give money instead then please see Romey who will be happy to pass this on.

Mowing help needed – We have had a few people come forward to help with mowing the Churchyard which will be such a great help. We could still do with a few more helpers so please let the office know if you can help or know someone who can.

Please note Vicar Simon Woodley's working days are Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. If you have urgent Pastoral needs outside of these days please contact Revd David Dennis 01425 655230 davidalan.dennis@btinternet.com or contact the Parish office on the details below.

If you have items for the notices, please get them to Holly, the Parish Administrator, by the Thursday before. stjameschurchalderholt@gmail.com 07805 979827

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