



Our vision is to be an open Christian community where people feel loved, respected, and free to be fully themselves.



21st July 2024 **8th Sunday after Trinity**

Welcome to you all



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St James



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Our Services this week
Service type is subject to change due to illness or other unforeseen circumstances

St James:

Sunday 21st

8:30am Morning Prayer
10.00am Holy Communion

Thursday 25th

9:30am Holy Communion

Our Lady & St Nicholas:

Sunday 21st

6pm BCP Evensong

What else is happening this week

Tuesday 23rd

12:30-4:30pm Welcome Space St James

Wednesday 24th

2.00-4:30pm Welcome Space St James
3-4pm Open Church & Private Prayer
Our Lady & St Nicholas

Saturday 27th

10am-Noon Open Church St James
3-5:30pm Save the Children Strawberry Tea
1A Hallam Ave

What's happening next week

Sunday 28th	8:30am	Holy Communion	St James
	10am	Holy Communion	St James
	6pm	BCP Evensong	Our Lady & St Nicholas
Monday 29th	12:30pm	Funeral for Janet Scott	St James
Tuesday 30th	12:30-4:30pm	Welcome Space	St James
Wednesday 31st	2-4:30pm	Welcome Space	St James
	3-4pm	Open Church & Private Prayer	Our Lady & St Nicholas
Thursday 1st	9:30am	Morning Prayer	St James
Saturday 3rd	10am-12noon	Open Church	St James

Notices

Please feel free to contact Amanda or one of the Churchwardens at any time

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Amanda on Retreat

Amanda is on retreat from Monday 22nd to Saturday 27th. Please do not disturb - but prayers appreciated!

This weeks information sheet

This weeks information sheet was produced on Tuesday 16th July, if you have sent any notices since then, they will not appear until next week. *Sheryl*

Welcome Space - Change of times on Wednesdays - Now 2pm to 4:30pm

We have decided to change the opening times on a Wednesday as fewer people are attending on this day, and those that do are coming after 2pm. We will review this in the Autumn. Thanks to all the volunteers staffing this. *Janet Waters*

Trench Candles update

Very many thanks to all those who have contributed candle wax for the appeal for Ukrainian Trench Candles. Incredibly, St Mary's in Arnold (which is where they have been taken) has managed to collect over 200kg of wax since the appeal was started. A huge thank you to all those from St James the Great and Wanlip who have responded with several loads of candles as a part of this grand total. We understand that the production of the candles will be paused over the summer months and so the collections will stop from the end of June. The Ukrainian Centre is enormously grateful for all the donations. Thank you everyone for your help with this.

Summer Fete - 26th August: 12 noon - 3.30pm

Raffle tickets are at the back of the church for the Summer Fete - please take and sell as many as you can to friends, family and acquaintances.

Surprise Parcel Stall, Church Fete - 26th August.

We are once again hoping to run this stall. We would be most grateful for any items from tins to toiletries , purses to pearls or anything new or nearly new, including books but please nothing HUGE, thank you. Items for children are very welcome. There is a box at the back of the Church for the parcels, or these can be given to Joan or delivered to Jane at 458 Loughborough Road. Many thanks, *Joan Folland, Jane Scott.*

Summer Fete - Monday 26 August

We would be most grateful for donations towards our Food Hamper Raffle Prize please. If you are able to provide an item, there is a list of items requested to sign your name against at the back of the church. Thank you. Also, books for the Book Stall and Bottles for the Bottle Tombola, and donations of cakes for the Cake Stall too please, thanks.

Funeral for Janet Scott

Janet Scott's funeral will be on 29th July at St James at 12:30pm.

A Collect for the 8th Sunday of Trinity

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

A Post Communion Prayer for the 8th Sunday of Trinity

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things; may the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute; may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit; may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love shine with the light of hope; and may the bodies which have been fed with your body be refreshed with the fullness of your life; glory to you for ever. **Amen**

BCP Collect for the 8th Sunday of Trinity

O God, whose never-failing providence ordereth all things both in heaven and earth; We humbly beseech thee to put away from us all hurtful things, and to give us those things which be profitable for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Save the Children Strawberry Teas - 27th July

On Saturday 27th July I am hosting a Strawberry Tea. (3-5:30pm) Please let me know by the preceding Wednesday if you would like to come. Full details can be found on the posters at the back of the church. *Josephine*

Prayer Chain

If you have an urgent prayer request, please contact Doreen Wilson (2674680) or Gill Pope (2675086) it will be passed round the prayer chain as quickly as possible in strictest confidence

Parish Carvery Lunch - 8th September

Sunday 8th September 12.30 for 1 pm at Beedles Lake Golf Club, East Goscote, LE7 3WQ Adults, 2 courses £21.00 Children 12 and under, 1 course £6.50, 2 course £11.50. There are lists to sign in each church to book places or phone Joan Folland to add your name on 2672010.

A plea for Wanlip - Getting ready for the Christmas Fayre!

If anyone has any plant pots (not the plastic ones) they would like to give a new home, please see Julie or Debbie.

Knitted exhibition to mark the 80th anniversary of the D Day landings

There will be an exhibition at Southwell Minster called 'the Longest Yarn' which has been knitted by over 1,000 knitters from all over the world, it is an 80m 3D depiction of that fateful day in wool art, with 80 displays, each measuring one metre in length, depicting scenes of the world's largest amphibious invasion. It is currently on display in France but is being brought to a few places in the UK. The exhibition will be at Southwell Minster from Monday 8th September to the 27th September. It's free to get in and you don't need to book. *Liz Thorner*

Monthly tip for a less-plastic life - July

Cut up old clothes that aren't good enough to pass on and turn them into cleaning cloths.

Notices for the information sheets & when I'm in the Church Office

I will be in the office on Tuesdays & Thursdays between 9am and 1pm.

If you have a notice you would like putting in the Information sheet, can you please email it to either stjames.birstall@btconnect.com, or sheryljupp@hotmail.co.uk, or contact Amanda or a Churchwarden. I will need to have received it **before 11am** on the Thursday to get your items included in that week's news sheet. Thanks. *Sheryl*

Lectionary & Theme Readings

Sun 21st 8th Sunday after Trinity

Readings used

Reading 1: Psalm 64

Reading 2: James 3:13-18

Gospel: Luke 10:38-42

Lectionary readings Jeremiah 23:1-6, Ephesians

2:11-end, Mark 6:30-34, 53-end

BCP Evensong readings

Reading 1: James 3:13-18

Reading 2: Luke 10:38-42

Psalm: 64

Mon 22nd **Theme:** Luke 6:46-49

Mary Magdalene

Psalm: 30

Reading 1: 1 Samuel 16:14-end

Reading 2: Luke 8:1-3

Tue 23rd **Theme:** 2 Timothy 1:1-14

Psalm: 36

Reading 1: 1 Samuel 15:1-23

Reading 2: Luke 23:26-43

Wed 24th **Theme:** Proverbs 3:1-18

Psalm: 34

Reading 1: 1 Samuel 16

Reading 2: Luke 23:44-56a

Thu 25th **Theme:** Ephesians 6:10-20

James the Apostle

Psalm: 7

Reading 1: 2 Kings 1:9-15

Reading 2: Luke 9:46-56

Holy Communion Readings

Reading 1: Acts 11:27 - 12:2

Gospel: Matthew 20:20-28

Fri 26th **Theme:** John 5:1-15

Psalm: 31

Reading 1: 1 Samuel 17:31-54

Reading 2: Luke 24:13-35

Sat 27th **Theme:** James 3:13-18

Psalm: 42

Reading 1: 1 Samuel 17:55 - 18:16

Reading 2: Luke 24:36-end

Sun 28th 9th Sunday after Trinity

Readings used

Reading 1: Psalm 142

Reading 2: Philippians 4:6-7

Gospel: Matthew 6:25-34

Lectionary readings: 2 Kings 4:42-end, Ephesians

3:14-end, John 6:1-21

BCP Evensong readings

Reading 1: Philippians 4:6-7

Reading 2: Matthew 6:25-34

Psalm: 142

Theme: Luke 10:38-42

For our Prayers

Theme for the week - Distractions

Try to use some of the ways of adoration and meditation to aid you in freeing your mind from all the things that would invade your mind as you pray.

For the persecuted church - Indonesia

Heavenly Father, we pray for our sisters & brothers in Indonesia. Where there is fear, let there be peace. Where there is mourning, let there be joy. Where there is sorrow, let there be hope. We particularly pray for believers who risk losing their communities because they've chosen to follow You out of Islam. We pray that churches would be given permission to build places of worship, & that Your people would see Your hand at work in Indonesia & in their lives. In Jesus' name, Amen.

For our Churches, this week especially for:

Our Area Dean, Archdeacon & Bishops

Our Children: Maximus, Hope & Joseph

What are we thankful for this week:

The glorious colours of sunrises & sunsets

For our Community, this week especially for:

Our Councillors: Parish, Charnwood, County

For those in need or unwell:

Nicky Hardy, David Bark, Dorothy Barsby, John Walton, Michael Webb, Tricia Emmett, Ray Folland, Sheila Alcock & all who care for them.

For those who have Holy Communion at home:

Sheila Skidmore, Monica Lucas, Freda Swards, Margery Orton & Pat Wilby

For those who have recently died

Russell Clark, Rowena (Betty) Tredell, Janet Scott

For 1st anniversary of death this week:

Nichola Wrighton

Every day - 9pm (or another time!)

Praying for peace in Ukraine & Israel / Palestine. And a different area each day.

Sun: For an end to the Anglophone Crisis in Cameroon ongoing since 2017.

Mon: For an end to the Bangladesh drug war ongoing since 2018.

Tues: For an end to the FRG9 insurgency in Haiti ongoing since 2020.

Wed: For an end to the Salvadoran gang crackdown ongoing since 2022.

Thurs: For an end to the Las Anod conflict in Somaliland ongoing since 2023.

Fri: For an end to the Jamaican Political Conflict ongoing since 1943,

Sat: For an end to the Korean Conflict ongoing since 1950.