

Readings for this week

Sun 6th	3rd Sunday before Advent
Reading 1:	Job 19:23-27a
Reading 2:	2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-end
Gospel:	Luke 20:27-38
Psalm:	17:1-9
Mon 7th	
Psalm:	20
Reading 1:	Daniel 4:19-end
Reading 2:	Revelation 5
Tue 8th	
Psalm:	21
Reading 1:	Daniel 5:1-12
Reading 2:	Revelation 6
Wed 9th	
Psalm:	23
Reading 1:	Daniel 5:13-end
Reading 2:	Revelation 7:1-4, 9-end
Thu 10th	
Psalm:	26
Reading 1:	Daniel 6
Reading 2:	Revelation 8
<u>Holy Communion Readings</u>	
Reading 1:	Philemon 7-20
Gospel:	Luke 17:20-25
Fri 11th	
Psalm:	32
Reading 1:	Daniel 7:1-14
Reading 2:	Revelation 9:1-12
Sat 12th	
Psalm:	33
Reading 1:	Daniel 7:15-end
Reading 2:	Revelation 9:13-end
Sun 13th	Remembrance Sunday
Reading 1:	Malachi 4:1-2a
Reading 2:	2 Thessalonians 3:6-13
Gospel:	Luke 21:5-19
Psalm:	98

For our prayers

For the persecuted church - Kuwait

Lord Jesus, many of Your children in Kuwait have experienced suffering. Heal, comfort & restore them. Protect our brothers & sisters from harm. May homes, workplaces & communities be safe places. Continue to enable Christians to gather safely for worship & prayer, & help isolated believers to find fellowship. Give Your people wisdom, boldness & protection as they look for opportunities to tell others about Jesus. **Amen.**

For our Churches, this week especially for:

Those at home and those who care for them
Visitors to our Churches

For our Community, this week especially for:

Paramedics, Doctors & Nurses,

For those in need or unwell

Nicky Hardy, David Bark, Dorothy Barsby, Barbara Rhodes, John Walton, Michael Webb, Vi Rawlings, Tricia Emmett, Gwen Johnson & all who care for them.

For those who have Holy Communion at home

For those who have recently died:

Jennifer (Jenny) Michael, Beryl Boden, Enid Oswin, Madge Nutting, Dennis Bonshor, Bernard (Joe) Scott

For 1st anniversary of death this week:

Every day - 9pm (or another time!) wherever you are

Praying for peace in Ukraine 40,000-54,000+ deaths since 2014; 29,800 - 156,182+ this year so far.

And a different area each day:

Sun: And for an end to the Internal Conflict in Myanmar (Kachin, Karen, Rohingya, Rakhine, protests & insurgency) ongoing since 1948. 160,000-210,00 deaths to date; 16,749 this year.

Mon: And for an end to the Afghanistan conflict (IS - Taliban) ongoing since 1978. 1.45-2.08 million + deaths to date; 3,549 this year.

Tues: And for an end to the Mexican Drug War ongoing since 2006. 62,000 deaths to date, 6,489 this year.

Wed: And for an end to the Yemeni Civil War (Yemen, Saudi Arabia) ongoing since 2011. 377,000 deaths to date; 6,068 this year.

Thurs: And for or an end to the Ethiopian Civil Conflict (Ethiopia, Eritrea, Sudan) ongoing since 2018. 385,00-800,000 deaths to date; 100,000 this year.

Fri: And for an end to Colombian Conflict in Colombia and Venezuela ongoing since 1964. 221,000+ deaths to date; 2,035 this year.

Sat: And for an end to Oromo Conflict in Ethiopia ongoing since 1973. 3,000-8,900+ deaths to date; 3,750 this year.



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



6th November 2022

3rd Sunday before Advent

Welcome to you all



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Our Services this week

St James:

Sunday 6th

8:30am Holy Communion
10:00am All Together Service

Thursday 10th

9:30am Holy Communion

Our Lady & St Nicholas:

Sunday 6th

6pm Holy Communion

What else is happening this week

Sunday 6th

2:30-4:45pm 663 Ensemble Practice St James

Monday 7th

11am Madge Nutting's Funeral
Our Lady & St Nicholas

Wednesday 9th

3-4pm Open Church & Private Prayer
Our Lady & St Nicholas

Friday 11th

10:50am Remembrance Day Service
War Memorial

7pm TearFund Quiz St James

Saturday 12th

10am-Noon Open Church St James

What's happening next week

Sunday 13th	8:30am Holy Communion St James
	10am Remembrance Sunday Service St James
	6pm BCP Evensong Our Lady & St Nicholas
Monday 14th	2:30pm Monday Group St James
Tuesday 15th	10:30am Quinquennial Inspection Our Lady & St Nicholas
	2pm God, Me & Art St James
Wednesday 16th	3-4pm Open Church & Private Prayer Our Lady & St Nicholas
	7:30pm PCC Meeting St James
Thursday 17th	9:30am Holy Communion St James
	7:30pm Hand Bell Practice St James
Saturday 19th	10am-Noon Open Church St James

Check out our Church Website: www.Birstall.org

Notices

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

Rev Amanda Digman	251 Birstall Road	07803 625049
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Doreen Wilson	13 Poplar Avenue	2674680

Amanda's day off

Amanda will be off on Thursday instead of Friday next week.

Bring your own duster

We still need another 2 person team. Please contact Tony Luxton or a Churchwarden.

TearFund Quiz - 11th November

There will be a TearFund Quiz held in the Community Area of St James on Friday 11th November starting at 7pm. Please bring your own snacks and drinks! Donations to TearFund.

Shoebox Appeal 2022- A Record!

We were able to pack 70 boxes this year, thanks to generous donations. A BIG thank you to all those who gave goods and/or money. 70 boxes means £210 carriage, so help with this expense would be much appreciated.

Madge Nutting's funeral - 7th November

Madge's funeral will be at Our Lady & St Nicholas on Monday 7th November at 11am. Please keep her family and friends in your prayers.

Morning and Evening Prayer

Amanda is going to do morning and evening prayer on the following days this week at St James', in the Old Church.

Morning Prayer (9am): Monday 7th, Tuesday 8th, Wednesday 9th and Friday 11th.

Evening Prayer (5pm): Friday 11th.

Please join her if you would like. If anyone would like to offer to regularly run this on any particular morning or evening, please let Amanda know.

Recycling boxes at Church

There are 3 boxes under a table in the community area at St James where you can dispose of your used single use facemasks, blister packs – the packets of foil plastic that your tablets come out of, and any type of pens. There is also a box under another table to recycle your used ink cartridges.

Collect for the 3rd Sunday before Advent

Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of all: govern the hearts and minds of those in authority, and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Post Communion Prayer for the 3rd Sunday before Advent

God of peace, whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom and restored the broken to wholeness of life: look with compassion on the anguish of the world, and by your healing power make whole both people and nations; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen**

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.

St. James Church roof repairs

Thank you to those who have bought Christmas decorations that we have made and other items we have sold, the total to date is £100.00. *Brenda Todd & Joan Folland.*

Monday Group

Monday Group meeting on Monday 14th November at 2.30pm in St James. Peter & Barbara Watson with Slide show set to music. Visitors welcome. *Rita*

Dennis Bonshor's funeral - 18th November

Dennis's funeral will be on Tuesday 18th November at Loughborough Crem. Please keep Marjorie and their family in your prayers.

Ukraine Donations Appeal

Please keep an eye on the box at the back of St James' re Ukraine Appeal.

Remembrance Sunday - 13th November at 10am

Next weeks Remembrance Sunday Service will be at the usual time of **10am** and not 10:30am as in previous years.

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

I am usually in the office on Tuesdays & Fridays 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 and/or sheryljupp@hotmail.co.uk or contact Amanda or a church warden before 11am on Friday. Thanks. *Sheryl*