

## Sunday 27th January 2019

**TODAY IN CHURCH**

9am Holy Communion  
Preacher

Rev Laurence Smith  
David Fulford

10:30am All Age Worship  
Leader  
Preacher

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### THE WEEK AHEAD

#### Monday 28th January

5:30pm Puppets

#### Tuesday 29th January

5:15pm- 7:30pm Rainbows

7:30pm Guides

7:30pm PCC Meeting

8pm Pilates

#### Wednesday 30th January

9:45am Homegroup

1pm Toddlers

5:15pm Rainbows

6pm-9pm Brownies and Guides

8pm Homegroup

#### Thursday 31st January

11am - 1:30pm St James Café

4:30pm - 7pm Rainbows and Brownies

7:15pm Pilates

#### Friday 1st February

8pm Music Practice

#### Sunday 3rd February

9am Holy Communion

10:30am Holy Communion

#### Pre-School

Pre-School is open from 9:00am-12:00 noon,  
and 12:45pm-3:45pm Mondays, Tuesdays,  
Thursdays, and Fridays, during term time

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## **EVENING PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY**

St John Bosco Church, Western Avenue, Sunday 20th January at 4pm.

To mark Christian Unity Week, SJB parish invites you to a special service of songs, psalms and readings. All welcome.

## **World Day of Prayer**

This will be held at Christ Church at 10:30am on Friday 1st March. Refreshments will be served afterwards. All welcome.

## **Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM)**

The APCM will be held on Tuesday 16th April at 7:30pm.

There will be five vacancies on PCC for a 3 year term. Two church wardens need to be elected every year. For more information, please speak to Laurence, the church wardens or Diana Tollman.

## **Wanted: Voluntary Leaders for Boys' Brigade.**

1st Woodley Boys' Brigade seeks helpers/leaders for its younger age groups (5-7yrs & 8-11yrs), meeting on Wednesday evenings, at Christ Church, Woodley. BB has a Christian basis, and offers a varied programme of games, competitions, stories, arts & crafts, community interest, etc to boys with little or no church background. Talk to Bob Hansford if interested, or email: [hansford\\_robert@hotmail.com](mailto:hansford_robert@hotmail.com)

## **MEDITERRANEAN EVENING**

We will be having a Mediterranean Evening at St James on Saturday 23 March. Food, music, quizzes, games. Book this in your diary NOW!! Tickets will be on sale in early March.

## **REInspired**

Give thanks for the lessons that have been booked in for this term. We will be looking at Jesus the friend, Jesus' miracles and of course Easter. Pray for children to feel like they belong. That they feel confident and comfortable in their surroundings. Pray that their school would be a place of great learning and understanding.

## St James' Vision

**St James 2020 Vision is to be a growing people of all ages that:**

- 1. Are rooted in prayer and growing in our faith in Jesus Christ*
- 2. Are growing as confident disciples, and are willing and able to make disciples of others*
- 3. Are committed to nurturing and investing in children and young people*
- 4. Are growing in our understanding of and open to being empowered by the Holy Spirit to build up the church of God*
- 5. Reach out into our community to be and to share the good news of Jesus Christ both inside and beyond the church walls, and across Woodley in partnership with others*
- 6. Are listening, generous, and committed to quality in all that we do*

### Prayers for our Church Family

Please pray for all those who are unwell, lonely or bereaved at this time. Please continue to pray for Michael Patterson, Joan Wise and Mick too and Steve Litchfield's sister. Continue to pray for Liz Hansford who's current permission to stay/work in Iringa (with Neema Crafts) runs out in February; pray too for language learning.

### Prayers for the world

#### Nigeria

Fighting in the North-east has led to the displacement of 80,000 people, mostly from Borno State, since November – adding to around 1.8 million who have already fled their homes. Pray for restoration of peace, and for Nigeria's Presidential elections on 16th Feb.

#### Brexit

Pray for our divided country and for Govt/Parliament struggling to find a way forward with Brexit. Pray that the good of the country will be placed above party politics. Pray too for Christians in Parliament.

#### Climate Change

The Sahel region of W.Africa is bearing the brunt of climate change, with rising temperatures and erratic rainfall. About 80% of farmland has been degraded. Tensions between farmers and cattle keepers have increased. Pray for people whose livelihoods are under threat and for more action by wealthy countries to cut "greenhouse gases".

#### Burundi

Nearly half of Burundi's children are malnourished. Over 30,000 households are displaced, many because of ongoing social unrest. Pray for Tearfund partners running feeding centres, for a good harvest in Jan-Feb & restored peace.

