

Sunday 14th July 2019

TODAY IN CHURCH

9am Holy Communion Preacher 10:30am Morning Worship Leader Preacher 4pm Messy Church

Rev Laurence Smith Rev Laurence Smith

Alison Mullens Rev Laurence Smith

THE WEEK AHEAD

Tuesday 16th July

5:15pm— 7:30pm Rainbows 7:30pm Guides 8pm Pilates

Wednesday 17th July

9:45am Homegroup 12:30pm Toddlers Teddy Bears Picnic 5:15pm Rainbows 6pm-9pm Brownies and Guides

Thursday 18th July

I Iam - I:30pm St James Café4:30pm - 7pm Rainbows and Brownies7:15pm Pilates

Friday 19th July

8pm Music Practice

Sunday 21st July

9am Holy Communion 10:30am Morning Worship

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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Mens Walking group

Will be going on a country walk on Tuesday 16th July, followed by a pub lunch. Please meet at the church for a 9.30am departure.

WOW (women on walks)

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Walking Groups Joint Day Out

The men's and women's walking groups are once again combining on a day out, to which all the church are invited. On Tuesday July 30th we are heading off to the National Trust Gardens at Stowe in Buckinghamshire, where you can do a complete circuit of the grounds in just over 3 miles or simply enjoy strolling as far as you wish along numerous paths to explore the landscaped lakes, gardens and classical follies. There is a large modern cafe where we can have a light lunch. Standard adult entry is £12.60 for non NT members and dogs are welcome. Please let Alison Mullens or Colin Mayer know if you intend to come, by Sunday 28th July at the latest, so that we can organise car sharing.

REInspired

REinspired-Woodley have finished another amazing year delivering RE lessons to schools in Woodley. Give thanks for all the opportunities we have had this year and the wonderful volunteers who have helped make that happen. Pray for all the Yr6's as they leave primary school and prepare for the move to secondary school. Pray for rest and refreshment over the summer for all school staff and REinspired volunteers.

Fatherheart Ministries Day Conference "The Joy of Sonship"

Saturday 20th July - 9am to 4pm, St James' Church Centre

An opportunity to experience the healing touch of Father's love, and learn to live in Sonship as Jesus did. Booking & further information from georgina.wild@ntlworld.com or phone on 0118 9272715. The cost for the day is £5, including lunch

Jamaican Society Summer Ball

All welcome to attend the Jamaican Society Summer Ball on Saturday 10th August at 7pm. Tickets £55 includes a three course meal, entertainment, dance and raffle prizes. At the Best Western Calcot Hotel, 98 Bath Road, Reading, Berkshire, RG31 7QN.

Email: thejamaicasociety@hotmail.co.uk for further details or call Freda Fishley on 0118 9442925.

Church BBQ

Will be held at the Vicarage from 12pm on Saturday 27 July. Tickets are now on sale from Andy Mullens at £5 for adults and £3 for 5-16s. All welcome

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 Janet and Dan Penny, Tony, Steve and Rebecca Coulson and all the family, Margaret Smith's daughters and families, Richard Ashton and family, and for Chris and Fiona Roxburgh and family.

And please continue to pray for Michael Patterson, Joan Wise and Mick too and Steve Litchfield's sister. Praise God for (another!) new visa for Liz Hansford and for her work with Neema-craft, in the absence of the Rays on home leave.

Prayers for the world

Bangladesh and Myanmar

Persecution of minorities continues in Myanmar, with nearly I million Rohingyas now living in neighbouring Bangladesh. Conditions in camps have worsened after heavy rain and landslides. Pray for them and for Christian agencies seeking to meet their needs.

Climate Change.

A UN official has recently claimed that one small-scale disaster a week can now be attributed to climate change, as well as the bigger cyclones and droughts. Pray for poor people bearing the brunt of these disasters, and for faster action by Govts to slow down climate change.

Venezuala

Political unrest continues in the country, coupled with hyperinflation, disease and hunger. Many thousands have fled to neighbouring countries. Pray for them and for long-term solutions to the country's crisis.

Syria and Yemen

Pray for an end to civil war in both countries and for suffering civilians. With severe damage to its health services, Yemen has been unable to contain cholera - over half a million cases this year.