



**Love each other with
genuine affection, and
take delight in
honouring each other.**

Romans 12:10 (NLT)

Sunday 18th February 2024

10am Morning Worship

This Week

Monday 19th February

6:45pm Alpha Course

Tuesday 20th February

1:45pm Daytime Homegroup

5:15pm Rainbows

6pm Brownies

7:30pm Guides

Wednesday 21st February

10am Midweek Communion

10am Daytime homegroup

1pm Toddlers

5:30pm Puppets

6pm Brownies

7:30pm Guides

Thursday 22nd February

11am Hong Kong group

11am –1:30pm Café

4:30pm Rainbows

5:45pm Brownies

7:15pm Guides

Friday 23rd February

8pm Music Practice

Sunday 25th February

10am Oasis Baptism

Pre-School

Pre-School is open from 8:45am to 3:45pm Mondays, Tuesdays,

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Notices

Grass Cutting

We need one or two people to join the church grass cutting rota. We do own a self propelled petrol lawn mower, so you don't need to push it, it goes at your own pace. If you're interested in a bit of exercise about four times a year then please contact Frank Box.

New Book - FIVE to NINE

I have just completed a book I have been working on for many years, and it will be on sale on Sunday mornings at St James during February. Proof copies will be available in the lounge to dip into, and there are also some copies still of my previous book, 'Living the Celtic Way'. The cost is £4.99 or £8.99 for the two. Please bring CASH - All profits from this print run to WaterAid. Many thanks- David Bagwell

Ladies Italian Night

On Tuesday 27th February there will be a ladies meal out at Cozze in Woodley. All ladies welcome. Please contact Nicola Tivey to sign up nictivey@gmail.com or add your name to the sign up sheet in the church lounge. Thank you.

Eco Prayer for this week

Loving God, you provide all that is needed for the world to flourish. Forgive our selfishness and greed as we take what we want but do not need and destroy your world in the process. Amen.

Prayers

Church family & community

Thank God for all in leadership at St James, especially for Laurence & Hannah, our Wardens & PCC, Linda and Becki, and pray that God will guide & encourage them. Pray for the many church activities. Pray for the sick - for Sue, Eoin, Fiona, Joyce, Adrian & others we know. Pray for God's comfort for Marion and her family, as they adjust to life without Mike.

National

Pray for our country, for a turning back to God. Give thanks for Christians in Parliament; pray they may be salt and light, influencing policies. Both main parties have stepped back from promises on environment; Govt continues to grant new gas/oil licences. Pray that Climate Change will be taken more seriously and actions taken by Govt and by us too.

Mission Links

Pray for the Fletcher family, and the ongoing work in Thailand; for the Ray family, leading the SAFI organisation in Arusha, Tanzania. Pray for the Kimbilio team in Lubumbashi - for safety & resources to cope with increasing demands. Pray for LAMB Hospital (Bangladesh) & locally for JAC, and for staff & residents at Yeldall Manor.

Wider World.

Middle East

Pray for de-escalation of conflicts and moves to restore peace - especially for restraint in Gaza, as Israeli troops prepare to enter the crowded city of Rafa. Pray for the suffering Palestinian people, often under attack and short of food, water, medical supplies. Pray for Christians in the Middle East - for safety, encouragement & hope in difficult times.

Elections

Pray for the election processes and outcomes in Pakistan (February) and in Togo (W.Africa - in March), and for good governance as a result. Pray for the US elections this year - and the best outcome for the wider world, not just for the US.

Tigray Province, Ethiopia

An estimated 3.5 million people are short of food, and around 1 million are facing starvation - all because of a 2-yr old conflict and a changing climate, making farming more difficult. In neighbouring Sudan, the conflict widens and around 18m people require food aid; many have fled into neighbouring States.

Climate Change

Climate scientists report that over the last 12 months, global temperatures have gone above the 1.5 deg. thresh-hold, set in 2015, above which the world faces more severe impacts. Pray for greater, faster action from Governments to cut emissions and embrace renewables; at present, carbon output is still rising.

Homegroups

Please see below details of some of the homegroups that meet during the week and contact details for each:

Monday 7:45pm at 104 Wheble Drive, contact - Alison Mullens - 07904039363.

Tuesday 1:45pm Daytime homegroup at St James, contact David Bagwell - davidgbagwell@gmail.com

Wednesday 9:45am Daytime homegroup at St James, contact Judith Hansford.

Wednesday 7:45pm various homes, contact Pete and Chris Clarke - 07742953071 peteandchris@talktalk.net

Wednesday 8.15 pm on Zoom , contact - Jane Fulford - 0776 494 7495 jane.fulford@btinternet.com

Wednesday 8pm weekly at 97 Reading Road. Contact Laurence or Hannah - laurence.smith@stjameswoodley.org

Thursday 8pm at 17 Harris Close, Woodley. Kelly Robinson and Jeremy Galpin are joint leaders and would love some new members.

Sunday 12:30pm Cantonese group meeting fortnightly. Contact Eric or Phylis - 07394 139548