

You are the light of the world.
A city built on a hill
cannot be hidden.

Matthew 5:14



Sunday 3rd May 2026

10am – Holy Communion

This week

Monday 4th May

9:15am Morning prayer

Tuesday 5th May

11am Addington School Cafe

2pm Homegroup

5pm Rainbows

6pm Brownies

7:30pm Guides

Wednesday 6th May

10am Daytime Homegroup

10am Midweek Communion

1pm Toddlers

5:30pm Puppets

5:45pm Brownies

7:30pm Guides and Rangers

Thursday 7th May

11am—1:30pm Café

11am Hong Kong Support Group

4:30pm Rainbows

5:45pm Brownies

7pm Guides

Friday 8th May

10am Friday Friends

8pm Music Practice

Sunday 10th May

10am Morning Worship

4pm Messy Church

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Notices

Apologies for the APCM

If you are unable to attend our upcoming APCM, (Annual Church Meeting) on Tuesday 19th May at 7:30pm, please let me know so I can record your formal apologies. You can email sjamespccsec@gmail.com or see me in church. Please do this by Monday 18th May to ensure you are noted in the minutes. Many thanks Fiona Litchfield

Eco Prayer and tip

Our prayers this month are adapted from the Eco Prayers displayed in the beautiful church of St Lawrence in Church Stretton, Shropshire.

Eco Prayer: Merciful God, you search for all that is lost and rejoice in its restoration. Open our eyes to the wounds of your creation. Give us hearts that notice and wills that care that we may seek the healing of the earth with patient love.

Eco Action Point: Identify and notice a 'wound' in the created world around you and seek to lovingly heal or alleviate this wound in some way, over time.

Summer BBQ

Our annual summer barbecue will be held on Sunday 5 July straight after our morning service. It's always a lovely occasion, so please put this in your diary.

Tues 5 th May	Southlake EYFS	Noah
Mon 11 th May	Southlake Yr 1	Who do Christians say made the world?
Mon 18 th May	Southlake nursery am/pm	Moses in the Bulrushes
Tues 19 th May	Southlake Yr 4	For Christians, when Jesus left; what was the impact of Pentecost?

Please pray

- Give thanks for the lessons that are coming in for this term. We have 3 new lessons this term- so far. Please pray for the lesson plans and preparation for these new lessons.
- Pray for the booking of presentations for 'It's your move' going to the Yr6's in our Woodley Schools.
- Pray for all pupils as they sit SATS, GCSE's, A levels and any other assessments in schools this term. Pray for peace and protection from anxiety.

Big Green Week Event

Guest Speakers

Hannah Mann

Professor Christopher Merchant

Monday 8th June – 7:15pm – 9pm

at St James Church Centre

All welcome to a Big Green Week evening

Hannah Mann – talk on creation care

**Professor Christopher Mann – talk on
climate change.**

Free event

Refreshments on arrival





TASTER
SESSIONS

Interested in puppets?
Want to find out what's involved
in being a puppeteer?



Wed 10th, 17th
and 24th June
5.30-6.30pm

ST JAMES
PUPPET TEAM!

For more information/ book your place:
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Our 2026 FOCUS



THE HOLY SPIRIT

Continuing our journey
of discipleship together

Growing in confidence as we
explore new areas of faith

Discovering our own God-given
gifts, and how to use them

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 2pm Daytime homegroup at St James, contact David Bagwell - davidgbagwell@gmail.com

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

Wednesday 7:30 pm various homes, contact Pete and Chris Clarke - 07742953071 prcjc1@outlook.com

Wednesday 8pm on Zoom , contact - Jane Fulford - 0776 494 7495 jfulford49@gmail.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