



Notice Sheet for 24th October 2021

“Then Philip began with that very passage of Scripture and told him the good news about Jesus.”

Acts 8 v 35

Holy Communion with Children's Groups in Church & Livestreamed

10.30am on Sunday 24th October

The service will also be livestreamed to our YouTube channel and will also be available to watch later.

Please print the **service sheet** here.



Sunday Children's Groups

The children leave for their groups after the opening time of worship and return for communion.

The children's corner is available at the back right of the Church for parents with pre-school children, and a supervised **Creche** is available after the opening time of worship in the Church Centre.

Bubbles is for children in Reception and Year 1 and meets in the Hatch Room in the Church Centre.

Splash is for children in Years 2 - 5 and meets in the Youth Centre next door. Children meet in the Church Centre to go over together.

XStream is for children in Year 6+ and meets in the Youth Centre next door. Children meet in the Church Centre to go over together.



Next Sunday: 31st October 2021

Special Service in Church & Livestreamed at 10:30am

For more news and information please visit: www.stjames-streatham.org.uk

COVID AND CHURCH SERVICES

Following discussion and consultation we are planning to further ease covid restrictions on Sundays with effect from 31st October. **From this date wearing of face masks will be optional and we will re-introduce refreshments after the service.** We will continue to reserve pews in both side aisles for those who wish to socially distance, whilst all pews in the middle section of the church will be available for seating. We would encourage everyone to make use of the hand sanitizers on the way in and out of church and to stay at home if you are ill or have flu or covid symptoms.

Thank you for your patience as we continue to move slowly back to normal life at St James.

FOODBANK DONATIONS

For details about how to donate food to our local Foodbank visit: www.wandsworth.foodbank.org.uk or call 020 7326 9428



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are currently looking for volunteers to help in two areas of ministry:

Sunday Transport: Contact John Farebrother or Carol Patterson.

Sunday Welcome Team: Contact Marcia Gordon or John Talbot.

THE WELL RETURNS

Fancy a toasted tea cake, a coffee and a chat? Why not drop in at The Well! With a fantastic range of drinks and snacks, and with a kids play area, we are open every Tuesday in term time from 9am-12pm in the Church Centre. Beth and Jo look forward to giving you a warm welcome 😊

THE BRIDGE

The October edition of the Diocesan newspaper, The Bridge, is available to read online here - southwark.anglican.org/thebridge

IN GRATEFUL MEMORY

Our annual In Grateful Memory service is an opportunity for those who have lost a loved one in the last year or before that to remember them with thanks and light a candle. This year we will incorporate In Grateful Memory as part of our All Age Service on **Sunday 7th November** at 10.30am. All are welcome to join us for this special service.

SPECIAL CELEBRATION SERVICE

We will be holding a special service of celebration on **Sunday 31st October** at 10.30am. The theme will combine Black History Month along with our current sermon series 'Beyond Diversity' and the launch of a book charting the history of The Friends of the Heart Foundation of Jamaica which was birthed here at St James. The service will be livestreamed, but it would be wonderful to see as many people as possible in church, especially if you haven't yet returned since church reopened.

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE 2022

What better way to celebrate the end of COVID restrictions than to join us to walk in the footsteps of Jesus on our next Holy Land Pilgrimage from **14-24 March 2022**. 11 days based in Jerusalem and Galilee that will transform your understanding of the Bible and strengthen your relationship with Jesus. Brochures and booking forms are available by contacting [Rob](#) or visiting the [church website](#).

PILGRIMAGE TO OBERAMMERGAU

Would you like to see the world-famous Oberammergau Passion Play next summer? Travel by luxury coach from South London, visiting the fairy tale castles of Austria and Innsbruck, before seeing a performance of the Passion Play, staying overnight in Oberammergau, and then driving back home. Dates are 18 – 24 July 2022. Prices from £1,095 sharing, limited single rooms available. For more details contact Rev Sue Clarke at semclarke@btinternet.com

FURZEDOWN YOUTH CENTRE AGM

This will take place on Sunday 21st November, 12.30pm in the Youth Centre. All are welcome to come and hear how the work is progressing under the leadership of Paul Rook and his team.

CLOCKS

Remember the clocks go back an hour at 2am on Sunday 31st October 😊

WHAT'S ON

Date	Time	Event
Sunday 24th October	10:30am	Holy Communion Service in Church
Monday 25th October	Closed Half Term	LAG Boys Group Closed Half Term
Tuesday 26th October	Closed Half Term	The Well Cafe Closed Half Term
	Closed Half Term	Adventurers Closed Half Term
Wednesday 27th October	Closed Half Term	No Staff Meeting
	Closed Half Term	Adventurers Closed Half Term
Thursday 28th October	Closed Half Term	Little Fishes Closed Half Term
	Closed Half Term	Girls POD Closed Half Term
Friday 29th October	Closed Half Term	Furzedown Youth Club Closed Half Term
Saturday 30th October	9am	Church Manager interviews
Sunday 31st October	10:30am	Special Celebration Service

LITTLE FISHES

Our popular weekly stay & play Parent & Toddler Group has reopened and will run every Thursday in term time from 10.00-11.30am in the Church Centre. Capacity is limited, so we are only able to welcome children accompanied by one parent or adult family member and pre-booking each week is essential. You can find out more and book your place [here](#).

GIVING AT ST JAMES

We won't be taking up an offering in today's service, but the plate will be available on the Information Desk along with the **Contactless Giving**



unit. You can also make a donation online by visiting [Online Giving to St James PCC](#) or using the QR code above.

GIVING ENVELOPES

If you currently donate to St James using weekly envelopes and would like to continue. Please can you let Alan Burrows know by November 14th.

Thank you 😊

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

The Christians of Bethlehem have suffered much as a result of the global pandemic which has resulted in the collapse of the tourism and pilgrimage industry hitting local families and businesses very hard.

Elias Gharib leads an organisation called Touch of Grace which runs a cooperative of local families in Bethlehem who make and sell authentic Holy Land crafts. They have some special products for Christmas and Elias would like to encourage us to do some of our Christmas shopping with them.

So, please check out their website here – www.touch-grace.com. As a special gift to us, if you place an order by **15th November** you can use the shipping code '**Stjames**' and your products will be sent to church without you having to pay any delivery charge.

NEWSHEET CONTRIBUTIONS

Please send all your newsletter notices/requests to the Church Office
☎ 020 8677 3947 ✉ admin_stjameschurch@btinternet.com before 9:00am on Thursday.

CONTACT US

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BANK DETAILS

Barclays Bank plc, Sort Code: 20-96-89, Account No: 00196878, Account Name: **St James PCC**
St James Church Charity Registration Number: 1133859