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Notice Sheet for 26th January 2025

"Well done, my good servant! Because you have been trustworthy in a very small matter, take charge of ten cities!"

Luke 19 v 17

Holy Communion Service with Children's Groups

10.30am on Sunday 26th January 2025

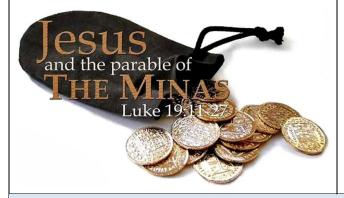
This Sunday the service will take place in the Church Centre due to heating issues in the main church building











Sunday Children's Groups

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

We sincerely regret that **Creche** is unavailable this morning due to the limited space in the Church Centre.

Bubbles is for children in Reception, Years 1 & 2 and meets this morning in FYC. Parents please note that children will not be able to come back to the Church Centre until the whole group return for communion.

Splash and Xstream, for children in Yr 3+, will meet in one large group this morning in FYC.



Sunday 2nd February 2025

All Age Messy Candlemas @ 10.30am

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

CHURCH HEATING

We apologise that we had to cancel last Sunday's service at such short notice due to heating issues in the church building. The good news is we are very hopeful the boiler can be fixed next week. This means we will hold our service this Sunday, 26th January, in the Church Centre, and should be back in church for Messy Sunday on 2nd February. Thank you for your patience.

FYC NEEDS YOU

FYC are looking to recruit a local Christian to join the board in the role of Treasurer. It is a vital role, one at the heart of equipping and enabling us to continue to serve the young people living in and around Furzedown. But the task isn't too onerous. Our finances are simple, our systems are already in place. All that is missing is you. To find out more please see the Job Description and contact Faye (Chair of FYC) via fycchair@outlook.com

THE BRIDGE

The latest edition is available to read online here.

VISION AWAY DAY

The PCC will be holding its annual Vision Away Day on **Saturday 1st March** from 9.30-3.30 at St Alban's Church, Pretoria Road. The theme this year will be Evangelism and we will spend the day prayerfully exploring the ways we can reach out more effectively to our community with the good news of Jesus.

The PCC is eager to benefit from the wisdom and ideas of the whole church family at St James and is therefore extending an open invitation to all to join us for the day.

For planning purposes we need to know if you are coming. So, to book your place please let Rob know by emailing him at

<u>revrobpowell@stjamessw16.plus.com</u> or call the church office on 020 8677 3947.

FOODBANK DONATIONS

For details about how to donate food to our local Foodbank visit: www.wandsworth.foodbank.org.uk or call 020 7326 9428. Items in need at the moment: Cooking oil (small bottles), Toilet Rolls, Size 2 & 3 nappies, Baby Wipes, Men & Women's deodorant, Shower Gel, Tinned meat and vegetable meals, Tinned Lentils, baby toothpaste & tooth brushes, Adult toothpaste, Feminine Hygiene products.

TURKEY 2025

Rob is leading a trip to Turkey from 16-23 September 2025 to visit the ancient sites of the seven churches of Revelation plus a few places associated



with the ministry of Paul. Why not join us for this great adventure and have your ears and eyes opened to God's life-changing word. To see the ebrochure and booking form see here -

www.maranatha.co.uk/7Churches2025RevRob.pdf or ask Rob for a paper version.

Although bookings can be taken until June, it would be helpful for Rob to know as soon as possible if you are intending to come – this will help Rob in planning and preparing for the trip. Thank you.

ADVENT THANKSGIVING GIFT DAY

We had an amazing response to our annual Advent Gift Day last month - we received £25,066 breaking through our revised target of £22,000! This is extraordinary and we thank God for his grace and all of you for your generosity!

We have already sent our donations to Musalaha in Israel/Palestine and FYC here in Furzedown.

We hope and pray that this extraordinary outpouring of God's financial grace will continue through 2025 as we look to God to provide every pound we need to do the precious work he has called us to here at St James and in our community.

GIVING AT ST JAMES

We will be taking up an offering in today's service, but there are other ways of giving to the ministry and mission of St James.

If you wish to donate by card, the **Contactless Giving** unit is available on the Information Desk.
You can also make a donation online by visiting
Online Giving to St James PCC.

For further information about ways to give please pick up an 'Investing in the Vision' leaflet from the Information Desk or speak to Alan Burrows.

You can also sign up to the Parish Giving Scheme which is managed by Southwark Diocese who collect your donation, and any Gift Aid, and forward it onto St James' without cost.

Gift Aid: if you are UK taxpayer, you can increase your donation at no further cost to you just by completing a simple form (available from the office).

WHAT'S ON		
Date	Time	Event
Monday 27 th January	10.30am	Small Group In the Church Centre
Tuesday 28 th January	9.00am	The Well In the Church Centre
	10.30am	Holy Communion In the Vestry
	5.45pm	Adventurers In the Church and Centre
Wednesday 29 th January	9.30am	Staff Meeting In the Vestry
	3.30pm	Get Set In the Church and Centre
	6.00pm	POD (for Boys) In FYC
Thursday 30 th January	10.00am	Little Fishes In the Church and Centre
	6.00pm	POD for Girls In FYC
Friday 31 st January	1.30pm	Friendship Circle In the Church Centre
	6.00pm	Youth Club In FYC
Sunday 2 nd February	10.30am	All Age Messy Service In Church and Centre

THANK YOU

Rob, Claire and Beth would like to say a big thank you for all the cards, kind words of comfort, and prayers on the loss of Rob's dad. Your love and care for us at this sad time means so much.

OUT OF HOURS

If you have an urgent matter you would like to discuss out of office hours, please contact one of our Church Wardens;

Kirk Douglas (<u>kirkmdouglas@live.co.uk</u>)
John Talbot (<u>john.n.talbot@talk21.com</u>).
For pastoral matters contact Rob Powell
(<u>revrobpowell@stjamessw16.plus.com</u>)
or Rocky Deans (<u>guywillis1@hotmail.com</u>)

TREASURER NEEDED!

St James is looking for a volunteer to succeed Alan Burrows as Church Treasurer at the next Annual Meeting (APCM) in May this year. Alan gave notice a long time ago of his intentions to step down from this role, so we must find someone to replace him. You don't need to be a qualified accountant, but someone who is confident with figures, is reliable, organised and computer literate. Alan will provide some initial training and one of our previous treasurers, Paula Thomas, has offered to be a mentor while the volunteer finds their feet in the role. So, please prayerfully consider if this is a role you could take on and to which God may be calling you. For an informal conversation please speak to Alan or Rob. Thank you.



FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE QUIZ

The Friendship Circle will be meeting on **Friday 31**st **January at 1.30pm** in the Church Centre for an afternoon of fun with a Quiz hosted by the amazing Freda Rouse.

Sandwiches, tea and nibbles are included for a suggested donation of £3

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Office Hours: Wednesday 9am - 4pm, Thursday & Friday 9am - 1.30pm