

## Notice Sheet for 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2025

‘Jesus said: “Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.”’

Mark 10 v 14

### Holy Communion Service with Children’s Groups

10.30am on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2025



Safeguarding is everybody’s business



### 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 worship in the Church Centre.

**Bubbles** is for children in Reception, Years 1 & 2 and meets in the Hatch Room in the Church Centre.

**Splash** is for children in Years 3 - 6 and meets in the Youth Centre next door. Children meet in the Church Centre to go over together.

**Xstream** is for children in Year 7+ and meets in the Youth Centre next door. Children meet in the Church Centre to go over



**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2025**

**All Age Messy Worship for Lent @ 10.30am**

For more news and information please visit: [www.stjames-streattham.org.uk](http://www.stjames-streattham.org.uk)

## VISION AWAY DAY

The PCC will be holding its annual Vision Away Day on **Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> 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**

**[revrobpowell@stjamesw16.plus.com](mailto:revrobpowell@stjamesw16.plus.com) 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](http://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, Chocolate Spread and Instant Mash.

## JUDY DOUGLAS



Most of you will remember Judy Douglas, who was a member of St James until she began training for ordained ministry a few years ago.

We are delighted to announce that Judy will finish her initial training this summer and will be ordained as a Permanent Deacon in Southwark Cathedral on **28<sup>th</sup> June**. She will then serve her curacy at St Mary & St John the Divine in Balham. We are thrilled for Judy and continue to hold her in our prayers as she continues on her journey with the Lord.

## 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 e-brochure and booking form see here -



[www.maranatha.co.uk/7Churches2025RevRob.pdf](http://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.

## 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).

## 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 ([kirkmdouglas@live.co.uk](mailto:kirkmdouglas@live.co.uk))

John Talbot ([john.n.talbot@talk21.com](mailto:john.n.talbot@talk21.com)).

For pastoral matters contact Rob Powell ([revrobpowell@stjamesw16.plus.com](mailto:revrobpowell@stjamesw16.plus.com))

or Rocky Deans ([guywillis1@hotmail.com](mailto:guywillis1@hotmail.com))

## THE BRIDGE

You can read the latest edition of the diocesan paper here - <https://southwark.anglican.org/news-events/news/the-bridge-newspaper/>

## WHAT'S ON

Date	Time	Event
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February	10.30am	<b>Small Group</b> In the Church Centre
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> February	9.00am	<b>The Well</b> In the Church Centre
	10.30am	<b>Weekly Communion</b> In the Vestry
	5.45pm	<b>Adventurers</b> In the Church & Centre
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> February	9.30am	<b>Staff Meeting</b> In the Vestry
	3.30pm	<b>Get Set</b> In the Church & Centre
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> February	10.00am	<b>Little Fishes</b> In the Church & Centre
	6.00pm	<b>POD for Girls</b> In FYC
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> February	1.30pm	<b>Friendship Circle</b> In the Church Centre
Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup> March	9.30am	<b>PCC+ Vision Away Day</b> At St Alban's Church
Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	10.30am	<b>All Age Messy Worship</b> In Church and Centre

## NEW PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICER

We are delighted to announce that Richard Griffiths is succeeding Sarah Veal as Parish Safeguarding Officer, to serve alongside Rocky Deans. We thank Sarah very much for all the work she has done in the role over the last few years. Richard's contact details are available on the safeguarding notice board in the church lobby and on the church website.

## 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

The Friendship Circle will be meeting on **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February at 1.30pm** in the Church Centre for an afternoon of fun & fellowship including Sandwiches, tea and nibbles, all for a suggested donation of £3. For further information on Friendship Circle events, please see Pearl Wood, or pick up a newsletter in the Church Centre.

## FYC NEEDS YOU

FYC are looking to recruit a local Christian to join the board as Safeguarding Officer. It is a vital role at the heart of enabling us to continue to serve the young people in Furzedown. To find out more please see the Job Description and contact Faye (Chair of FYC) via [fycchair@outlook.com](mailto:fycchair@outlook.com)

St James Church: 236 Mitcham Lane, Streatham, London SW16 6NT

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