

Notice Sheet for 2nd Aug 2020

"The one that received the seed that fell on good soil is the man who hears the word and understands it. He produces a crop, yielding a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown." Matthew 13 v 23

Morning Worship Online

Morning Worship will be broadcast at 10.30am on Sunday 2nd Aug. Please print the **service sheet** and join us on St. James **website**, Facebook page or YouTube channel, or catch up later.



Each Sunday in August we welcome a guest preacher courtesy of Church Society. Today we hear from Rev Lee Gatiss, General Director.



Our Children's Page provides weekly Bible activities for 4-12 year olds including videos; teaching; worksheets, and crafts, and is updated on Fridays. Please do make use of this resource for your children in place of Sunday Groups and midweek children's club sessions.





<u>Next Sunday: 9th August 2020</u> Morning Worship Online at 10:30am

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

CHURCH WEEKEND AWAY 2020

Due to the coronavirus crisis we have had to postpone our Church Weekend Away until next year. The new dates are Friday 18th-Sunday 20th June 2021. All those who have already booked will still have en-suite accommodation, but any who book from now will have Standard (shared bathroom, but slightly cheaper cost). We are still taking bookings and forms are available from the <u>Church Office</u>.

PRIVATE PRAYER

Please note that St James will not be open for private prayer throughout August. Thank you.

ST PAULS' FURZEDOWN

Thank you for your prayers for St Paul's following the tragic loss of Rev Julie Connell. After much prayer and discussion, a short-term plan has been developed to secure on-going ministry at St Paul's. Canon Geoff Vevers has kindly agreed to look after the parish with effect from 16th August until Easter 2021 when he retires. As well as providing cover for the next six months, this will provide some much needed time and space to discern a longer term vision and plan. We are very grateful to Geoff and June for their willingness to stay in Furzedown a little longer.

REOPENING CHURCH FOR PUBLIC SERVICES

Following the recent announcement that churches can re-open for public services, under strict covid guidelines, St James has formulated a plan for the next few months. Rob has sent out a letter to all church members with details of the plan. Please let the church office know if you do not receive your letter. Thank you.

FOODBANK DONATIONS

Currently all Foodbank centres are closed due to the health crisis. Those in need are receiving food parcels direct from the Foodbank hub in Battersea. It is still possible to donate food. For details please visit: www.wandsworth.foodbank.org.uk or call 020 7326 9428.



GIVING & FINANCE

NOTICES

Thank you all for your generous giving to St James. Our finances are certainly being hit by the current closure of the church building as rental income has all but dried up and church members who give by envelope or cash in the plate have no opportunity to do so. We are doing what we can to save money, including taking advantage of the government's furlough scheme for 3 of our staff. So, I would like to express my gratitude to you for your faithful giving and encourage those who give by envelope or cash to consider setting up a standing order or making a bank transfer or sending a cheque to the office. You'll find our bank details on the website or at the bottom of this notice sheet. We would even be happy to come and collect your offering from home if you would prefer that contact the church office. Any of these options would be a huge help with current cash flow. Thank you so much.

DAILY HOPE PHONELINE

The Church of England is running a free 24-hour Daily Hope phone line aimed at those who are not online and



are therefore unable to access the services broadcast by their own church. Callers can hear hymns, reflections and prayers and even full worship services. Check it out!

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE 2021

We are hoping that our next pilgrimage to the <u>Holy Land</u> will still go ahead next year from **15th-25th March 2021**. Walking in the footsteps of Jesus, we will visit many places mentioned in the Bible and meet some of the modern-day followers of Jesus living in the Holy Land today. Join us for the experience of a lifetime. Brochures and booking forms available from <u>Rob</u> or via the <u>website</u>.

CONGRATULATIONS

We are delighted to announce the birth of Lavanna Beverley Janae Lawrence born on 4th May to Georgina David and her partner Kieron Lawrence, weighing in at 5lbs 2 oz. Many congratulations!



NEWSHEET CONTRIBUTIONS

Please send all your newsletter notices/requests to the Church Office 2020 8677 3947 ⊠ <u>admin_stjameschurch@btinternet.com</u> before 9:00am on Thursday.

CONTACT US

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