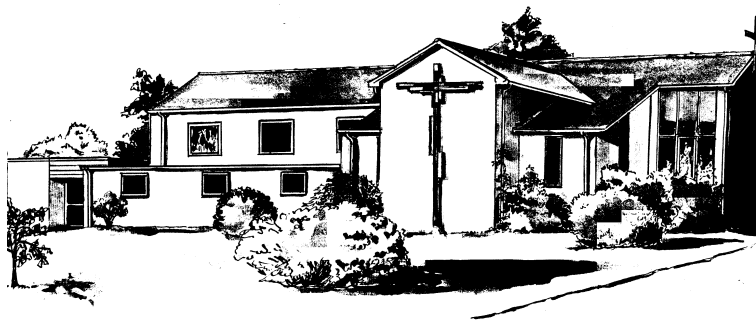


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### Words from the Vicarage

Dear Readers,

We could be forgiven for thinking that the world is inextricably divided, always was and always will be. The news of wars and conflicts, of relationships between nations, and also within nations, breaking down and leading to fear and terror.

Will reconciliation ever be viable in some of the most war-torn places?

St Paul wrote that the desire for reconciliation comes from God not from people - it is God's desire to get right up alongside, indeed even inside us. To touch our very hearts and souls, the deepest parts of our being.

How does this change our perception of God? It's not us striving to draw close to God but God who is trying to get to us! And what stops God? St Paul refers to our sinful rebelliousness as the major obstacle between us and God, in other words, divisions and hatred. It is a firm Biblical principle that division is a corruption of how the Kingdom of God should operate. The longer the human race insists on dividing itself then the harder it gets to establish God's Kingdom. Shamefully, the church is not exempt from this divisive behaviour.

As we move towards the season of Lent – traditionally a time for repentance and self-examination - we might consider not only where we as individuals wish to seek reconciliation and healing, but also what it is about our community,

our society, our whole world that blocks the love of God from flourishing. I like the phrase of thinking globally and acting locally. Locally can mean our own hearts and globally can mean as wide as we can possibly stretch our imaginations.

Guilt and division have been characteristics of human communities for as long as there have been human communities; reconciliation therefore has been crucial to all our relationships. Lent is a time for recognising where we need to be reconciled because that's what God calls us to do. During Lent the church creates opportunities for us all to reconcile our relationship with God and to reconcile an inner relationship between our hearts, minds and bodies. At St James' we're providing copies of the Diocesan Lent course "All Loves Excelling", which looks at St Paul's letter to the Philippians and there'll be a chance to join a group on Wednesday evenings or to work through the course individually. We're also inviting people from the congregation to share their faith stories as part of our Sunday morning worship and we'll offer breakfast each Sunday in Lent between the 8am and 10am services.

I hope that this Lent season will be a time for balance, reconciliation and reflection for all of us as we respond to God's call to live in love.

**Revd Steve Rothwell**

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### Men's Beer Ministry

MBM - Men's Beer Ministry - is a social group for the men of St James' to meet, share fellowship and get to know one another. It was started in recognition that there was no men's specific ministry at St James' and coffee time after the Sunday 10am service is not long enough to build lasting friendships.

We meet on the third Thursday of the month in the Queen Edith pub (across the road from St James') from 7:30 - 10pm. It is a relaxed gathering where we share news, talk about our interests and set the world to rights over a pint of beer or two. You can drop in and leave at any point in the evening as suits your timetable and you are welcome to invite friends to join us. Please contact Steven Ridley or David Mason to find out more.



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## The Gospel of John for Today

The first session of Professor David Ford's course for the relaunched "Focus@StJames", took place on Tuesday evening 17 January. David is the husband of our associate priest Debbie Ford, and has been worshipping with us at St James' for the past five years. He recently retired as Regius Professor of Divinity at Cambridge University, where the study of St John's gospel has been his lifelong work and passion. We are indeed privileged to be able to benefit from his teaching, and this was clearly recognised by the crowd of more than 70 people who joined us on Tuesday evening.

The printed hand-out was chapter 1 of John's gospel. After a prayer and some introductory remarks, David gave us pointers to guide our reading. John, he told us, was steeped in the scriptures of his time, the Greek Septuagint (our Old Testament), and there are many resonances and allusions to these writings in his gospel; he was also aware that he was writing scripture.

David's first pointer, or lesson, was to ponder the **questions**. John the Baptist was asked "who are

you?"; Jesus asked the disciples who followed him "what are you looking for?"; and they asked him "where are you staying?". These are searching questions, with layers of meaning, which may be answered at different levels. He went on to speak of **logos**, translated as "word", but carrying the much wider sense of "all communication" – God revealing himself to us.

The infectious enthusiasm of David's teaching, and his gift of distilling what might seem difficult into simpler ideas, kept us all enthralled for nearly an hour. There was then a time of small group discussion, followed by questions.

As we were leaving, I heard the comment "what a treat!" It was a treat indeed. There are three more evening sessions to come, followed by an all-day Saturday session on 8 April entitled "Deeper into St John's Passion". I would encourage everyone to come and join us there.

**Mary Calladine**

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## Trust in strangers - a tale of men in kilts

A couple of times a year I travel overseas to play the violin for Scottish dancing, which over the last decade has taken me as far away as Hungary, Kenya and Uganda. These trips are often preceded by an email along the lines of 'you will be met at the airport/train station by a man in a kilt', which outside Scotland and away from any Scottish sports fixtures is a pretty reliable form of identification! I have to trust that I will meet the intended stranger in this way, and that they will take me to the correct place in an unfamiliar city, often an obscure school hall or dance studio. For someone who grew up in fairly central London this has required a conscious relaxation of personal safety training. So far my trust has always been rewarded by a warm welcome and generous hospitality, leading to a network of friends across Europe and further afield.

Recently I have been wondering what combination of trust and caution I should be teaching

my daughter to apply to interactions with strangers as she grows up. At the moment she will happily walk beaming through a train carriage saying 'hello' to all the other passengers and playing with those who respond. I am indeed very grateful to the many strangers who have helped to entertain her and enriched her experience on the long journeys to visit our far-flung family. I suppose this is just one of the many facets of finding an appropriate balance between safety and freedom for her.

I wonder also how we can best act as trustworthy strangers to others. What small acts of generosity, hospitality and kindness might help to build relationships within our community and beyond, turning strangers into neighbours and friends?

**Christina Hood**

## Biblical Birding

It would be stretching a point very considerably if I listed one of my hobbies as 'bird-watching'. Not for me a bleary-eyed lurch out of bed at an hour that some might refer to as 'ungodly' to join the throng eager to catch a brief glimpse somewhere of a rare species. I certainly still get quite excited, however, and enjoy trying to identify (we have quite a few relevant reference books on our shelves) any unfamiliar ones that turn up from time to time in our garden or on a stroll in the woods in our neighbourhood; and Jennifer and I always enjoy an excursion, weather permitting, to Welney or one of the other reasonably local bird-haunts of particular interest.

We can, I think, infer from certain passages in the Gospels that Our Lord, as one would expect, was well aware of birds, their vulnerability and their habits. He was certainly no sentimentalist about them, however, reminding his disciples that they might learn something from the species that we know as the ravens (an intriguing species to select as an example) about trusting in God's care for His

creatures (Luke 12: 24) and even warning a would-be follower, somewhat regretfully, perhaps, that although the birds of the air have nests, the Son of Man 'hath not where to lay his head.' (Luke 10: 58).

The Lion *Encyclopaedia of the Bible* divides birds of the Bible into three categories: Birds of Prey (that last word is **not** a typo or a pun!), Birds for Food and Sacrifice; and Migrants and Visitors (it's fascinating to note that biblical chroniclers, prophets and others were aware of bird migrations). It also gives quite a number of specific references, and tells us that there are some fifty or more kinds of bird in Holy Scripture. That certainly came as a surprise to me; as did the discovery that the encyclopaedia lists no fewer than nineteen references to specific species. Try guessing which species they are and where they turn up in the Bible! I would draw the line at checking whether the AV, the RV and the NEB agree as to what species a particular reference applies.

James Day

## Winter visitors

By the time you read this, some of you may have done the RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch. This takes place on the last weekend of January every year. You have to observe and log all the birds you see during one hour in your garden or your local park and send in the results. This helps naturalists to know which birds are common, which are declining and which doing well. I have done it every year for years, spending half an hour observing from the house

windows with my field glasses and half an hour in the garden. Last year I leapt up from the breakfast table to make a start a bit earlier than expected, as I caught sight of a greater spotted wood-

pecker on the feeders and a green woodpecker prodding about in the lawn. They would do for starters. Some years are good but others you wonder where all the regular visitors have gone.

The robins you see in the garden this time of year and the often unusually large number of black-birds may not be your local residents, but winter visitors that have moved south, probably from Scandinavia. As far as I am concerned, the thrill of birdwatching at this time of year is to see the winter visitors that only appear at this time of year, brought south on north-easterly winds to the slightly warmer temperatures in the British Isles to feed on berries and seeds in gardens and hedgerows.

This year we have had plenty of those cold north-easterly winds and there have been many redwings and fieldfares, those colourful northern members of the thrush family, usually seen in groups or even flocks. The redwing is exactly what its name says: a thrush with a red patch under its wing and a pale eyestripe. The fieldfare is lovely with its grey head and rump, chestnut back and speckled breast. There have been lots of both fieldfares and redwings



Waxwing in Cherry Hinton  
Picture by David Ball of Sawston

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in the hedgerows along Worts Causeway and Limekiln Hill. They can sometimes be spotted in supermarket car parks, which are often planted with cotoneasters, as they love the berries.

The big excitement this January for me was to learn from David, an old friend and former colleague, that the much less common waxwings were to be seen in Cherry Hinton. I jumped on my bike and cycled to Fisher's Lane, where in this ordinary suburban street there were a dozen or more waxwings and the odd fieldfare perched on a tall tree. They were making forays to a cultivated form of the rowan. It was not a particularly big tree, but it had clusters of yellow-orange berries. Waxwings are stunning: grey with a big crest, a black chin and flashes of black, white and yellow in their wings and tail. Although everyone looks

forward to spring, winter can also have its delights.

**Jennifer Day**



Fieldfare in Cherry Hinton  
Picture by David Ball of Sawston

## The North Norfolk Saltmarshes

The Norfolk saltmarshes, extending for some 30 miles along the north-facing coastline of that county between Hunstanton and Sheringham, are amongst the finest examples of such formations in the UK. They comprise low sloping and worn-down chalk cliffs behind hugely wide sand and shingle beaches, interspersed with earthy marshes and a myriad of tidal creeks and channels. Not surprisingly the marshes support much precious flora and wildlife, most notably perhaps the edible samphire and the booming bittern. There are two bird reserves in the area, at Titchwell Marsh (RSPB) and Cley (Norfolk Wildlife Trust). Other spectacular birds to be seen are the marsh harrier and avocet. The latter became extinct in the UK around 1840 but was reintroduced in 1947 and is now quite common in Southeast England. Since the mid-18<sup>th</sup> century some of the marshes have been reclaimed as grazing land and there is an extensive sea wall system. Some of the reclamation is judged as unsustainable and the sea defences are not being replaced in those cases

after flooding.

In medieval times there were thriving ports at Wells and Cley, both properly with 'Next-the-Sea' appended to their names, and also at Blakeney. Deceptively close to the latter is Blakeney Point; however to reach it one must retrace back to the beach at Cley. From there it is a four-mile trek, hard going along the shingle spit, to reach the Point where there is a disused lifeboat station and many seals. However halfway along the trail is the Watch House. Built in the 1850s the house was a coastguard lookout post, said to be to a counter against smugglers. It has remained ever since as an iconic landmark, visible from all over the marshes. It fell into disrepair after flooding but following a public appeal it has been restored. It seems from an internet search that it is now possible to hire the Watch House as a spartan holiday venue.

**Ron Ferrari**



The Watch House



Blakeney Harbour

## Geoffrey Heathcock B.E.M, J.P.

*The media bring to our attention the most notable public figures or celebrities in the New Year's Honours lists, but hidden amid the very long list is someone well known to us locally. The editors asked him to write about himself, and the reasons he has been recognised for his long-standing public service. We offer him our congratulations and endorse his much deserved award.*

Little did I know when I attended a public meeting in my then home town of Liskeard, East Cornwall, in the middle of July 1971, that a journey would commence working as a volunteer for one of the best known maritime charities in the world: the RNLI, which would eventually lead to my award on January 1st 2017 of the British Empire Medal (B.E.M.).

I had had my formative years, schooling, and my first employment in a town some 12 miles from the coast, and went to the seaside town of Looe regularly not only to see the sea but to smell it, watch with fascination the arrival and departure of the town's then large fishing fleet and appreciate what our Lifeboat crews have to contend with, especially in the winter months when the emergency call is received. I became the secretary of the local branch and helped not only with paperwork but the critical business of raising funds on a regular basis to keep this service afloat financially.

My work then took me to Tavistock and Honiton in Devon, again involving myself in local RNLI branches, then in 1974 to Saffron Walden, where I stayed for nearly six years, met my wife Ann and then moved to Cambridge. I joined the local RNLI Committee and in 2013 took over as Chairman of an expanded area, stretching from St Neots in the west to Littleport in the north and Horseheath in the south. I helped bring the income of the branch from small thousands a year to a figure now of over £20k a year, helped in no small part by the sales of souvenirs, and attending a variety of events during

the summer especially, not least steam engine rallies. In 2014 I was awarded the RNLI's Gold Badge for long service and in 2016 the Bar to my Gold Badge. When not raising money, I visit lifeboat stations across the UK and give talks to a variety of outside groups.

The B.E.M. was also awarded for "services to the community in Cambridgeshire" and this aspect of my life formally began when I was first elected to the Cambridgeshire County Council in May 1993 to serve Queen Edith's Ward. Five elections later in April 2013 I retired from the Council and was made an Honorary Alderman. During my time on the Council (aside from the wide and busy workload of a local Councillor), I pursued two other major interests by serving in the Cambridgeshire Fire Authority and the then Cambridge Community Health Council. I have had an interest in the Fire Service since my teens and regularly visited fire stations and was concerned for the welfare of staff. Where I could, I visited the scene of major incidents to see their work at close quarters, such as the fire at the Regent Hotel in Cambridge, and the one at Gates Engineering in St Neots. I also helped secure the future of Swaffham Bulbeck Fire Station and Manea Fire Station in the fens, both threatened with closure. I still remain in contact with many past and current staff.

My concern for the development of Health and Social Services saw me carry out many visits to both care homes and hospitals to take up concerns, the quality of service and at one stage chair a major piece of work: the future of Hinchingbrook Hospital at Huntingdon. Latterly I chaired the county Adult Social Care and Health Scrutiny Committee, which regularly looked into service departments, budgets and the like. During this period we had many arguments about what services the county needed, but had tremendous support in our diplomatic endeavours on behalf of Cambridgeshire people with NHS bosses and Health Department ministers.

For the most part during my 20 years I enjoyed my work and serving the community. What, however, drew me to retire was the pettiness of party politics and the power games. Too much time and energy were lost from serving those who mattered. I now have a renewed sense of purpose and enjoy my charity work in serving those who go to sea to save lives.



Picture of the Weymouth lifeboat (Ernest and Mabel) by Andrew Bone (Creative Commons)

**Geoffrey Heathcock**



## Ian Rowland, Faithful in many things

It is with sadness that we learned of the death of Eve Rowland. Her funeral is on February 2nd and we hope to write about this in our next issue of "Crosspiece". It seems appropriate to mention in this issue the faithful service given by Ian Rowland and to pray for him at this time.

For a good number of years Ian has looked after his mother in their flat in Wulfstan Court. It may have put many burdens on to Ian, but he has never mentioned them. We know that he has been there year in, year out, through Eve's stays in hospital and in helping with her increasing immobility at home. Many of us will remember how much Ian loved his travels to France and Germany, his love of learning languages and interest in culture and history, not to mention French wine. These all came to an end with his growing responsibilities at home.

Ian is a quiet, methodical and self-contained person, and many will not know just how important his role is at St James'. As well as running the Traidcraft stall every month and all that has entailed over a good number of years (15? Or more?), Ian has been the Sacristan, that also for many years. Sacristan? What exactly is that? you may say. It is a most important role, which enables the spiritual life and worship of the regular services and the high days and holidays to go ahead smoothly. The role is not always very visible, and the work goes on at times in an empty church outside service time, or in the vestry.

It is Ian who sees that the vessels, bread and wine are laid out for the services, with the appropriate linen on the altar and the credence table. It is he who orders the wine and other supplies and keeps account of what is consumed and what is needed. Then there are all the special things like candles, incense, holy oil, palm crosses. Before the service Ian has laid out the vestments for the priest and ensured that all is ready in the sanctuary. Then after the service, together with the servers, all must be cleaned and put away. Christmas week, Holy week and Easter can be especially demanding times.

In many churches the duties may differ slightly, and there may be other duties that Ian does that have not been mentioned. It is instructive and somewhat amusing to note what was written in 1927 by the Rev S E B Searle of Chislehurst in his Plain Guide to Lay Workers, no 7 about the duties of the Sacristan:

*In a corner of the churchyard in many an English village can often be seen a bewhiskered official in hobnailed boots and clay-bespattered trousers tied up under the knee, shouldering a crow-bar, a pick, and a shovel. Who would suspect him of being the "sacristan" of that stately church? Yet that is what he was in days of yore, as the title of his office, "sexton," still testifies. Doubtless he "doubled the part" with that of gravedigger in ancient times, and, as the Reformation diminished the need for him in church, and the growth of population improved his opportunities of employment outside it, mother earth gradually reasserted her sway over her son. Pick and shovel displaced bell, book, and candle as the insignia of his calling, and a comparatively modern official, the parish clerk, took over what remained of his original duties.*

*But, in process of time, the Nonconformist conscience, by objecting to the payment of church rates, starved out this latter officer in most places, and so the sacristan, as a volunteer amateur, has come back to his own. He is found, on perhaps three hundred and fifty evenings in the year, moving about sacristy and sanctuary with loving devotion, laying out vestments, replacing candles, filling cruets, and changing linen, that the Divine Mysteries may be celebrated with cleanliness and godly fear on the morrow.*

Ian must be very grateful that he does not have to dig graves or maintain a churchyard, and that his time on duty does not extend to 350 evenings a year. Nevertheless, we are very appreciative of all he does.



Picture by Steve Snodgrass (Creative Commons)

## Christmas Cribs in Cologne - December 2016

Chris and I were invited to spend Christmas 2016 with our daughter Rachel's family in northern Germany. We decided to travel overland by train, spending a night at Cologne in each direction. German cities are famous for their Christmas markets, and Cologne is no exception; but we were more interested to see something of the amazing number and variety of Christmas cribs. More than 110 cribs are included in the "Krippenweg", a series of guided or self-led tours, which may be followed on foot, by bicycle or by bus. The cribs are located in churches, public buildings, shop windows and open spaces all over the city. We had time to see only a few of the cribs, but they were all impressive.

Cologne Cathedral is a huge and famous building, which has been described as the most impressive piece of Gothic architecture on the continent of Europe. As one might expect, the Cathedral crib was also large and elaborate, filling a whole side chapel. It took us on a historical journey from Roman times to the present day. The Roman era was represented by a temple, linking the Roman governorship at the time of Jesus' birth with the Roman heritage of Cologne: the name comes from the Latin "Colonia", meaning colony. We were led from "then" to "now" by the different styles of the buildings, as well as by the clothes of people of different historical periods, nations and professions, to the present day market place and Christmas tree. On the lower level of the scene was the stable with the manger. A makeshift scaffolding and a draughty tangle of branches sheltered Mary, Joseph and the Christ-child, together with the traditional shepherds, kings and a donkey. Cologne Cathedral makes much of the Three Kings, as it houses the casket supposedly containing the very bones of these kings. In their crib the gifts to the infant Jesus included not only gold, incense and myrrh, but also a globe and a pair of compasses.

Another differently themed, but equally extensive, crib was in the main railway station. This depicted Cologne as it was 70 years ago, in 1946, after the extensive destruction of the city and its cathedral in bombing raids during World War II. This was another crib installation on multiple levels, with a faithful reconstruction of the shattered buildings of the inner city, together with the work of the rubble-women, shovelling debris into wheelbarrows, and families sheltering amongst the ruins. Mary, Joseph and Jesus sheltered in the ruins of Great St

Martin's church. In this crib, instead of the three kings, priests from the cathedral, and refugees returning to their home city, brought their gifts to the Christ-child.

Other unusual cribs included one in a Pharmacy window entitled "Bethlehem in Haiti", where the Holy family sheltered in a partially destroyed house, and the three kings were represented by Red Cross and UN aid vehicles.

In the Lindenthal Zoo-park, the life-size wooden nativity figures share the stable with real donkeys Pablo and Dolores, and Scottish highland cattle Lilly and Lotta.

Cologne celebrated 25 years of twinning with Katowice in 2016; and the Polish city had contributed to the Angel Market a traditional Polish crib with painted wooden figures, including many angels.

Returning to St James on New Year's Day, we found that here too, in addition to our traditional crib in the foyer, there was a very nice nativity scene in front of the altar made of clay figures; while there were also some attractive and colourful knitted nativity figures in the Study Centre, and fabric ones in the Milton room – all handmade and contributed by Anneke Heslam.

It is enlightening to see the many different interpretations and materials that can be used in the present day, to express the Christmas message that God became man.

**Mary Calladine**

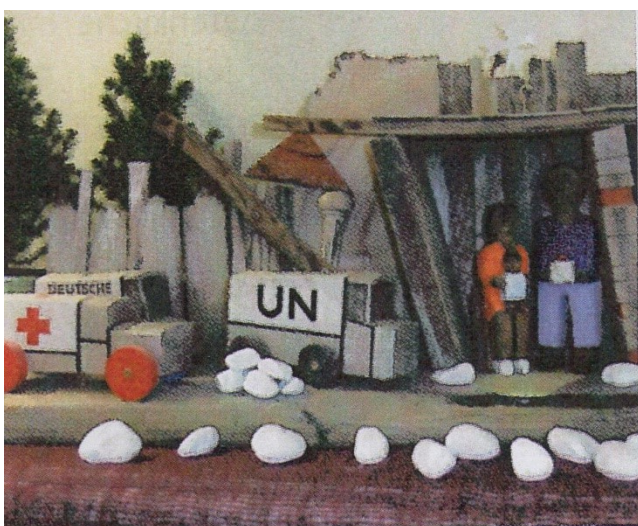


Traditional Polish crib from Katowice





Pictures clockwise from top: fabric nativity figures in St James' Milton room; Lindenthal zoo crib with living donkeys; Cologne cathedral; "Bethlehem in Haiti" crib.



### A Gaelic Blessing

*One of the most loved of the composer John Rutter's sacred choral works is his setting of a traditional Gaelic Blessing. These are the words that he uses:*

Deep peace of the running wave to you.  
 Deep peace of the flowing air to you.  
 Deep peace of the quiet earth to you.  
 Deep peace of the shining stars to you.  
 Deep peace of the gentle night to you.  
 Moon and stars pour their healing light on you.  
 Deep peace of Christ,  
 of Christ the light of the world to you.  
 Deep peace of Christ to you.

*Linda Appleby has written her own version of it, and developed it into something rather longer:*

Deep peace of the running brook be with you  
 Deep peace of the breaking wave be with you  
 Deep peace of the sleeping babe be with you  
 Deep peace of the silent eve be with you  
 Calm me, hold me  
 Soothe and enfold me  
 Take me, show me  
 Seed and grow me

Great love of the mother of Christ be with you  
 Great love of the singer's song be with you  
 Great love of the father's arms be with you  
 Great love the saving one be with you  
 Feed me, write me  
 Defy and fight me  
 Love me, live me  
 And forgive me

Deep love of the holy birth be with you  
 Deep love of the soundless field be with you  
 Deep love of the clear blue sky be with you  
 Deep love of the promise sealed be with you  
 Read me, reach me  
 Open and teach me  
 Play me, make me  
 Never forsake me

Great peace of the standing stone be with you  
 Great peace of the roaring sea be with you  
 Great peace of the mountain stream be with you  
 Great peace of the springtime lea be with you  
 See me, sell me  
 Sing me and tell me  
 Paint me, draw me  
 No harm befall me

Linda Appleby



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## St James's Church, Cambridge: Calendar for February - March 2017

*Morning Prayer is said on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays at 9.30 am. Everyone is welcome.*

### February

1st 10.15 am Eucharist at Dunstan Court  
 2nd 9.30 am Morning Prayer  
 11.30 am Funeral service for Eve Rowland  
 3rd 12.30 pm Meditation Group

#### **5th 4th SUNDAY BEFORE LENT**

8.00 am Eucharist (BCP)  
 10.00 am All Age Eucharist 'Candlemas'.  
 Don't forget to bring an orange!

*The Traidcraft stall will be open after both services*

8th 10.15 am Eucharist  
 11.00 am Pastoral Visiting Group meeting  
 10th 12.30 pm Meditation Group

*school half term week*

#### **12th 3rd SUNDAY BEFORE LENT**

8.00 am Eucharist  
 10.00 am Sung Eucharist with Sunday School

14th 7.45 pm Focus@StJames session 3  
 15th 10.15 am Eucharist  
 17th No Meditation Group

#### **19th 2nd SUNDAY BEFORE LENT**

8.00 am Eucharist  
 10.00 am Sung Eucharist with Sunday School

21st 7.45 pm Adult confirmation group  
 22nd 10.15 am Eucharist  
 24th 12.30 pm Meditation Group

#### **26th SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE LENT**

8.00 am Eucharist  
 10.00 am Sung Eucharist with Sunday School  
 28th 6.00 pm Shrove Tuesday Pancake Party  
 8.00 pm Focus@StJames session 4

### March

#### **1st Ash Wednesday**

10.15 am Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes at Dunstan Court  
 7.30 pm Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes

3rd 12.30 pm Meditation Group

#### **5th 1st SUNDAY OF LENT**

8.00 am Eucharist (BCP)  
 followed by Lent breakfast  
 10.00 am All Age Eucharist

*The Traidcraft stall will be open after both services*

8th 10.15 am Eucharist  
 8.00 pm Lent Group Session 1  
 10th 12.30 pm Meditation Group  
 5.30 pm Children's confirmation group

#### **12th 2nd SUNDAY OF LENT**

8.00 am Eucharist  
 followed by Lent breakfast  
 10.00 am Sung Eucharist with Sunday School

15th 10.15 am Eucharist  
 8.00 pm Lent Group Session 2  
 16th 8.00 pm PCC Meeting  
 17th 12.30 pm Meditation Group  
 18th tbc ALM Event

#### **19th 3rd SUNDAY OF LENT**

8.00 am Eucharist  
 followed by Lent breakfast  
 10.00 am Sung Eucharist with Sunday School

22nd 10.15 am Eucharist  
 8.00 pm Lent Group Session 3  
 24th 12.30 pm Meditation Group

#### **26th MOTHERING SUNDAY**

8.00 am Eucharist  
 followed by Lent breakfast  
 10.00 am All Age Eucharist

29th 10.15 am Eucharist  
 8.00 pm Lent Group Session 4  
 31st 12.30 pm Meditation Group

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#### **2nd 5th SUNDAY OF LENT / Passiontide begins**

8.00 am Eucharist (BCP)  
 followed by Lent breakfast  
 10.00 am Sung Eucharist  
 11.30 am APCM

5th 10.15 am Eucharist at Dunstan Court  
 8.00 pm Lent Group Session 5  
 7th No Meditation Group  
 8th Focus@StJames day course