St James', Wulfstan Way, Cambridge

The Weekly Sheet

17 March 2024

5th Sunday of Lent / Passiontide begins



8.00 am Holy Communion8.45 am Lent Breakfast10.00 am Parish Eucharist

Welcome to our services.

If you are visiting St James for the first time please introduce yourself to the vicar or a sidesperson (the person who may have greeted you when you arrived and offered you service booklets). You may wish to complete a contact details card so that we can send you details of forthcoming events. These are available on the table in the foyer.

Today's readings are:

Jeremiah 31.31-34: Psalm 51.1-13: Hebrews 5.5-10: John 12.20-33

Our hymns at 10 o'clock are:

Opening: All ye who seek a comfort sure NEH 63
Offertory: My God, how wonderful thou art NEH 410
Communion: Glory be to Jesus NEH 83
Final: O Jesus I have promised NEH 420

Anthem: Solus ad Victimam (Kenneth Leighton)

Collect:

Gracious Father, you gave up your Son out of love for the world: lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion, that we may know eternal peace through the shedding of our Saviour's blood, Jesus Christ our Lord.

This Week:

Monday 18 th	9.15 am	Morning Prayer
	11.30 am	Teresa of Avila talk followed by meditation in Study Centre
		Deadline for APCM reports to office
Tuesday 19 th	9.15 am	Morning Prayer
Wednesday 20th	9.15 am	Morning Prayer
	10.15 am	Mid week Eucharist
Thursday 21st	9.15 am	Morning Prayer
Friday 22 nd	9.15 am	No Morning Prayer
Saturday 23 rd	10.30 am	Bring & Buy Sale
	5.00 pm	Flames at St James

Dates for your Diary:

Holy Week and Easter

Palm Sunday, 24th March_

8.00 am Holy Communion;

10.00 am Sung Holy Communion with Procession and Passion narrative

Maundy Thursday, 28th March

7.30 pm Holy Communion, remembering the Last Supper, and

including Washing of Feet

Good Friday, 29th March

10.00 am -12 noon Families Activity Morning

2.00 pm Holy Communion, including Veneration of the Cross

Holy Saturday, 30th March

tbc Flower arranging workshop to help decorate the church

7.30 pm Easter Vigil: a short vigil around the fire followed by the first

Holy Communion of Easter

Easter Day, 31st March

10.00 am All Age Holy Communion with choir and celebration

Sunday 14 April 11.30 am APCM

Jeremiah 31.31-34

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, 'Know the LORD', for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Psalm 51.1-13

Have mercy on me, O God, in / your great / goodness; according to the abundance of your compassion / blot out / my of/fences. Wash me thoroughly / from my / wickedness and / cleanse me / from my / sin. For I ac/knowledge my / faults and my / sin is / ever be/fore me. Against you only / have I / sinned and done what is / evil / in your / sight, so that you are justified / in your / sentence and / righteous / in your / judgement. I have been wicked even / from my / birth, a sinner / when my / mother con/ceived me. Behold, you desire truth / deep with/in me and shall make me understand wisdom / in the / depths of my / heart. Purge me with hyssop and I / shall be / clean; wash me and I / shall be / whiter than / snow. Make me hear of / joy and / gladness, that the bones you have / broken / may re/joice. Turn your / face from my / sins and / blot out / all my mis/deeds. Make me a clean / heart, O / God, and re/new a right / spirit with/in me. Cast not me a/way from your / presence and take not your / holy / spirit / from me. Give me again the joy of / your sal/vation and sustain me / with your / gracious / spirit.

Hebrews 5.5-10

So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

'You are my Son, today I have begotten you'; as he says also in another place, 'You are a priest for ever,

according to the order of Melchizedek.

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

John 12.20-33

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, 'Sir, we wish to see Jesus.' Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, 'The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour.

'Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—"Father, save me from this hour"? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.' Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, 'An angel has spoken to him.' Jesus answered, 'This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.' He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

Readings for next Sunday, Palm Sunday (24 March):

Liturgy of the Palms: Mark 11.1-11;

Readings: Isaiah 50.4-9a; Philippians 2.5-11. Psalm 118.1-2, 19-29

The Passion Gospel according to Mark.

Many thanks to all who have already responded to our **stewardship appeal** asking you to review your giving and, where possible, consider whether you are able to increase your giving to St James. We fully appreciate that this is not always possible and we are very grateful for all that is contributed, financially and by offering of time and talents. We will give thanks for all gifts and responses at our services today.

Lent Breakfasts. Today we are holding our last Lent breakfast between 8.45 and 9.30 am. There is no charge although a suggested donation of £3 towards the work of Transform Trade (formerly Traidcraft Exchange) would be very welcome.

Our next **Bring & Buy sale** is <u>this Saturday</u> (23^{rd}). If you can offer help, please contact Pam, 07745 591235 or email pambutler27@hotmail.com

Donations of homemade cakes and prizes for the raffle are especially welcome. Thank you.

Teresa of Avila's Interior Castle - Discussions before Meditation Group during Lent.

Continuing throughout Lent, Adam Bak (who is on placement with us this year from Westcott House) will be leading short discussions of extracts from Teresa of Avila's *Interior Castle* before meditation group. We will gather at 11.30 in the Study Centre (with coffee and biscuits!) for the discussion followed by meditation. The extracts for discussion will be available a week in advance; they will be on the table in the entrance foyer.

St. Teresa of Avila (1515-1582) was a Spanish nun and mystic. She was the originator of the Carmelite Reform, which restored and emphasized the austerity and contemplative character of Carmelite life. She is the author of a number of spiritual masterpieces (including *The Interior Castle*) on the drawing of the soul into God by prayer and contemplation.

APCM Reports. If you are still intending to forward a report, please let Caroline have it tomorrow. Thank you. Email stjameschurchcambridge@yahoo.co.uk

We will be considering nominations for **lay elected members to the PCC** in readiness for our APCM on <u>14 April</u>. Please have a word with Steve and then complete one of the forms on the table in the entrance foyer.

Sing Messiah. Come and join us to sing the choruses from Handel's Messiah on Saturday 20 April 2024. Singers' warm up and rehearsal will start at 4:00 pm and the performance will begin at 5:30 pm. The evening will conclude with a drinks reception starting at about 6:45 pm. Everyone is welcome, whether to sing or to listen. Tickets are £5 (£2 for those under 18 years old) and are available in advance or (for non-singers) on the door. Details and registration forms are available at http://stjamescambridge.org.uk/sing-messiah/

Coffee Rota We are in need of at least two more people to help provide tea and coffee after the 10am service. The commitment would be roughly every 5 weeks, and the more people who help, the longer that time interval would be. Please speak to Fiona Broadhurst or Alison Giles if you would like to serve in this way.

The office will be open on Wednesday and Thursday this week, $9.15 \, \text{am} - 1.15 \, \text{pm}$. Caroline will be working from home on both Monday and Tuesday this week and has access to the office phone and email.

Prayer for Friends and Congregation of St James'

Sunday Eric and Rhena Clouston and family

Monday Ellen and Andrew Collings, Sharn and Troy
Tuesday Caroline and Tony Dickson and Helen

Wednesday Denise Finlay and family

Thursday Maureen Gibbs

Friday Alison and Graham Giles

Saturday Hatty Harris

If you would like to add your name to our prayer list please let Caroline in the office know.

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Weekly Church Activities

Junior Choir Practice Mondays, 6.30 pm – 7.30 pm Choir Practice Mondays, 7.00 pm—8.00 pm Lower Voices Choir Wednesdays, 7.30 pm – 8.30 pm

Meditation Group Mondays, 12 noon

Community Activities

Beavers (6-8 yrs)

Cubs (8-11 yrs, QE Schl)

Scouts (10½ - 14 yrs, QE Schl)

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We continue to provide a Zoom link for our 10 o'clock Sunday services:

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88561908831?pwd=OTNzMElRazBMdW5WV2pNcE5iRzINQT09

Meeting ID: 885 6190 8831

Passcode: 258631

Past issues of our parish magazine **Crosspiece** are available on the website.

If you are ordering goods from **Amazon**, please remember to use the Amazon link on the St James' website fundraising page. It doesn't cost you any more but gives St James a percentage of the price you pay.

If you are not a regular giver, or would like to top up your regular **donations**, you can do this by scanning the **QR code here** or by using the Donation Station in the lobby for cashless donations.