

St James', Wulfstan Way, Cambridge

# *The Weekly Sheet*

12 January 2025

## BAPTISM OF CHRIST



### Today:

8.00 am	Eucharist
10.00 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.

If it is your usual practice to receive bread and wine at communion, please feel free to do so at these services. We are following the Bishop's guidelines which stipulate that it is not permissible to intinct the bread (wafer) into the wine chalice. Therefore if you do not wish to drink from the chalice please return to your seat after taking the bread.

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### Today's readings are:

Isaiah 43.1-7; Psalm 29; Acts 8.14-17; Luke 3.15-17, 21-22

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### Our hymns at 10 o'clock are:

Opening:	On Jordan's bank the Baptists cry	NEH 12
Offertory:	Jesus shall reign where'er the sun	NEH 388
Communion:	The race that long in darkness pined	NEH 57
Final:	Crown him with many crowns	NEH 352
Anthem:	O holy spirit, Lord of grace ( <i>Christopher Tye</i> )	

## Collect for Today

Heavenly Father,  
at the Jordan you revealed Jesus as your Son:  
may we recognize him as our Lord  
and know ourselves to be your beloved children;  
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

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## This week:

Monday 13 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am	Morning Prayer
	12 noon	Meditation Group
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am	Morning Prayer
	2.30 pm	Hymn Service at Cherry Hinton Care Home
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am	Morning Prayer
	10.15 am	Eucharist
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am	Saturday Morning Cafe
	10.30 am	Fairbite Food Club

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## Dates for your Diary:

Monday 20 <sup>th</sup>	2.00 pm	Staff Meeting via Zoom
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	7.30 pm	Fabric Committee Mtg on Zoom
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	7.30 pm	PCC Meeting
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	Bring & Buy Sale

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## Isaiah 43.1-7

But now thus says the LORD,  
he who created you, O Jacob,  
he who formed you, O Israel:  
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;  
I have called you by name, you are mine.  
When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;  
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;  
when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,  
and the flame shall not consume you.  
For I am the LORD your God,  
the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour.  
I give Egypt as your ransom,  
Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.  
Because you are precious in my sight,  
and honoured, and I love you,  
I give people in return for you,  
nations in exchange for your life.  
Do not fear, for I am with you;

I will bring your offspring from the east,  
and from the west I will gather you;  
I will say to the north, 'Give them up',  
and to the south, 'Do not withhold;  
bring my sons from far away  
and my daughters from the end of the earth—  
everyone who is called by my name,  
whom I created for my glory,  
whom I formed and made.'

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## Psalm 29

1 Ascribe to the Lord, you / powers of / heaven,  
ascribe to the / Lord / glory and / strength.  
2 Ascribe to the Lord the honour / due to his /name;  
worship the / Lord in the / beauty of / holiness.  
3 The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;  
the God of / glory / thunders;  
the Lord is up/on the / mighty / waters.  
4 The voice of the Lord is mighty in / oper/ation;  
the voice of the Lord / is a / glorious / voice.  
5 The voice of the Lord / breaks the / cedar trees;  
the Lord / breaks the / cedars of / Lebanon;  
6 He makes Lebanon / skip like a / calf  
and Sirion / like a / young wild / ox.  
7 The voice of the Lord splits the flash of lightning;  
the voice of the Lord / shakes the / wilderness;  
The Lord / shakes the / wilderness of / Kadesh.  
8 The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe  
and strips the / forests / bare;  
in his / temple / all cry, / 'Glory!'.  
9 The Lord sits enthroned a/bove the / water flood;  
the Lord sits enthroned as / king for / ever/more.  
10 The Lord shall give / strength to his / people;  
the Lord shall give his / people the / blessing of / peace.

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## Acts 8.14-17

Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

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## Luke 3.15-17, 21-22

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, 'I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.'

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

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## Readings for next Sunday, 19 January (2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Epiphany)

Isaiah 62.1-5; Psalm 36.5-10; 1 Corinthians 12.1-11; John 2.1-11

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We have a **new cleaner/caretaker** and would like to welcome Ruth Newton to the role.

We will be holding our first **Bring & Buy Sale** of 2025 on Saturday 25 January. If you can help set up/clear away or run a stall, please contact Pam 07745 591235 or email at [pambutler27@hotmail.com](mailto:pambutler27@hotmail.com). Donations of cakes are always popular and we would welcome small gifts suitable for raffle prizes. Thank you.

We have several **tins and containers** left over from our Christmas Fair and Carol Service. Please take a look on the shelf outside the kitchen door and take what is yours. We also have a number of **water bottles** collecting on the window sill in the kitchenette off the front entrance foyer. Items remaining after the end of January will be given to charity/disposed of.

**The office** is open on Wednesday and Thursday this week, usual opening hours. Caroline will be working from home on Monday morning and has access to the office phone and email.

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## Prayer for Friends and Congregation of St James'

Sunday	Eleanor Pippard
Monday	Steve and Emma Rothwell, Isaac and Leo
Tuesday	Ian Rowland
Wednesday	David Sanders
Thursday	Michael and Caroline Sanford and family
Friday	Mary and Michael Smale and family
Saturday	Lisa and Matthew Stocker, Emilia, Olivia, Reece and Talia

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

## Contacts

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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)	16thcambridgebeavers@gmail.com
Cubs (8-11 yrs, QE Schl)	16thstjamescubscouts@gmail.com
Scouts (10½ - 14 yrs, QE Schl)	16thcambridgescouts@gmail.com

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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/82338214638?pwd=aUnysvbmoHYlg6ArvF3sQCyGnXXTF0.1>

Meeting ID: 823 3821 4638

Passcode: 725200

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.

