

**Activities at St James, during the coming week:**

10.30am

Holy Communion with the Organ

Leading and Preaching: Rev Janet Roberts

Readings: Isaiah 53: 4-end                      Mark 10: 35-45

Also JAFFA

Collect for Today

Grant, we beseech you, merciful Lord, to your faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.”

Tuesday 22 October  
7.00pm-7.30pm

**There is no Evening Prayer on Zoom this week:**

**ID: 401 570 3435**

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Tuesday  
7.30pm-8.45pm

**LIFE Group meeting. This group is closed until 29 October 2024** (please see note No 1, under ‘Making Him Known’)

Saturday 26 October  
10.00 to 12 noon

**Coffee and Chat.** All Welcome

Sunday 27th October  
10.30am

**LAST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**  
Community Praise

**It is expected that the Holy Communion service will be recorded and available on youtube from 2.00pm at: [stjameswesthead](https://www.youtube.com/stjameswesthead)**

## KNOWING JESUS

Daily Bread Readings for w/c 20 October 2024

Sun	20	Psalm 9	Thurs	24	John 13: 18-30
Mon	21	John 12: 20-36	Fri	25	John 13: 31-38
Tue	22	John 12: 37-50	Sat	26	John 14: 1-14
Wed	23	John 13: 1-17			

### Prayer Requests

#### People who are not well:

Mo Fletcher, Sharon Goth, Russell Tague, Heather Lyon, Laura Duran-Smith, Simon Horsfall, Kath Torres, Bill Evans, Bella Preston, Lucy Marie Knight, Dave Johnston, Sharon Cusick, Margaret Williams, Ray Quinn, Grantham Fidler, Alan Bell, Ali Buckley, Jean Dutton, Brenda Taylor, Derek Williams, Terry Beesley, Peter Thorn, John Fisher, Karen (Bob's Daughter), Martin Duerden, Marion Langton, also Marion's Grand-Daughter Olivia, Tish Davis, Zoe Simpkin, and also those affected by the Southport Dance School atrocities.

**Please also pray** for the bereaved families of: **Evan Meadows, Kevin Westhead, Deborah Hutton, Stephen Lowe, Hannah Needham and Doris Riley.**

#### Prayers for the Parish and beyond:

1. To give thanks for Christ's Forgiving Love
2. For the Power of God's Spirit in our lives
3. Praise God the Father
4. For Spiritual Growth in our Church families
5. For people in our Parish to know Christ in their lives – please pray for people living in Wigan Road and Crosshall Brow.
6. Coffee and Chat, CAMEO, JAFFA, LIFE, Community Praise, Westhead Village Hall and our Music Group.
7. For the children, their families and their spiritual development
8. For the Church's link with the School and Collective Worship
9. For outreach and growth in numbers
10. For the Under 18s leadership team, Street Pastors and School Pastors
11. Special prayers for our Children and Family Saturday Fun, Food and Fellowship
12. Please remember all the Students and Staff at Edge Hill University as they start a new term. All are welcome to worship with us.
13. Please continue to pray for the NHS who are under pressure in how they manage the backlog of many medical issues
14. We pray for refugees from Yemen, Palestine, Syria, Ukraine, and those arriving across the English Channel.
15. **Prayer Board:** This will be available each week for your prayers in the Outer Porch Area of Church. These will be prayed for in Church the following Sunday. Urgent prayers that cannot wait please speak to Rev John or a Warden.
16. Please would you continue to pray that people's hearts would focus on God and not be persuaded into the evil that we so often see displayed in life today

## **MAKING HIM KNOWN**

- 1. LIFE Group Commences on Tuesday 29 October 2024 at 7.30pm on Zoom:** We will be going through the book; 'An Advent Adventure' by Jo Swinney. Books can be purchased from Sue Swailes. Please contact Sue on: 07512 732241
- 2. Confirmation 2025: St James Westhead on the 23 February 2025 with Bishop John at 10.30am. Preparation will be in Church on the 19 Jan at 12.30pm, 2 and 9 February.** Anyone else who would like to discuss Confirmation or Baptism, please speak to Rev John.
- 3. Treasurer and Gift Aid Secretary:** Pam feels that the time is right to step down from the role of Treasurer, and Derek who has not been well, feels the same, regarding Gift Aid Secretary. If you or someone that you know, would like to be considered for either of these roles, please speak to our Wardens or Rev John. Full handover and support will be offered.
- 4. ORMSKIRK PRAYER ANCHORHOLD** - All are welcome to join in person as we pray "Thy Will Be Done" for all the local Churches, for our Town and local life and for our University. **Anchorhold Prayer will be held every weekday Monday to Friday 8am to 9am in Ormskirk Parish Church. An extra 'Anchorhold' will be held in Ormskirk Parish Church 12 Noon to 12.45pm each Thursday.** You are welcome to come and stay for as long as you are able. If you prefer you could pray along with us at home. A list of suggested topics to pray for each day, are available in the Fellowship Area in Church
- 5. Home Communions:** Should anyone, or you may know of someone, who would like Communion at home, please contact Rev John.
- 6. A Prayer focussing on our Vision Statement:** Lord Jesus, we ask that you help, enable and equip us in sharing the Good News of Jesus amongst those who are close to us in our Church family, and beyond, through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour. Amen.
- 7. Our Music Group:** There is an open invitation to anyone who would like to listen to this group practising. It might be that after a while you might like to join them. For information, or to discuss further, please would you speak to Mr Ernie Pallas. Thank you.
- 8. St James' Website:** The link is: [www.stjameswesthead.org.uk](http://www.stjameswesthead.org.uk)

### **Contacts:**

For all Pastoral Matters:

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(Friday is Rev John's rest day)

Matters concerning the Church Building or Graveyard

Jayne Illingworth or Barbara Westhead

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Church Telephone: 01695 580725

## **NOTICES**

- 1. Open Doors: In Africa:** Should you feel able to sign the petition, which is at the back of Church, to hopefully help persecuted Christians, that would be good. A full explanation of the petition is at the top of the form.
- 2. Church Cleaning:** We are very grateful to Catherine and her team of loyal helpers who faithfully keep our Church looking so beautiful. Thank you all very much. We are **2-4 people short**. Would anyone be able to offer to go on the cleaning rota? If you would or would like to find out what is actually involved, please speak to **Our Cleaning Co-Ordinator Catherine Spencer**.
- 3. Ormskirk Debt Advice:** are looking for more Advisors, ideally Ladies, but Men would also be welcome, training is free and provided. You do not need to be an Accountant. If you feel this is something that you can do, and would like to know more, please speak to Rev John.
- 4. FLOWER ROTA:** A calendar for the year is available in the Fellowship Area for those who would like to put flowers on the Communion Table. Alternatively, we can arrange to have the flowers arranged for you. The flower fund is open to financial contributions. For further details please speak to Jayne Illingworth.
- 5. Our Daily Bread Bible reading notes:** There is a sample copy of these notes available in the Fellowship Area, as a way of introducing you to ODB. If when you have had a look at these notes you would like to have a copy on a regular basis, please have a word with Janette. The ODB Bible reading notes are free of charge. The readings/stories set for each day are very helpful and relevant to today's situations.
- 6. Birthdays or Anniversaries and loved ones not here.** For those who have a birthday or anniversary this week, we send our congratulations and our prayers.
- 7. A Memory Kept.** This is a new business. Ian will maintain individual graves. An advert is attached to this Bulletin. Anyone interested in the services being offered, please contact Ian on the phone number or email address provided.
- 8. Bulletin Notices:** to Janette or John Sephton by Monday evening, please email: [minister@stjameswesthead.org.uk](mailto:minister@stjameswesthead.org.uk)
- 9. Weekly Bulletin:** is only available by email. Please let Heather have your email address: [heather.doyle@btinternet.com](mailto:heather.doyle@btinternet.com) if you would like to be added to our current distribution list.

**SUNDAY 20 October 2024 – The Twenty-first Sunday after**

## **NOTICES: Future Dates and Activities.**

- 1. Bereavement Service at St James on Sunday 3 November at 2.00pm (Please note change of time)** This service is for all who have lost a loved one. Those who have had a service in Church, the Crematorium, or ashes interred in the Church Yard will receive a letter. Should you not get a letter and you would like to come to the service you are of course most welcome. Should you have a relative's name that you would like to be read out, please let the Wardens or Rev John know, before the service starts.
- 2. CAMEO:** Wednesday 6 November 1.00pm to 3.00pm in the Village Hall. Musical afternoon with 'Ukulele Wednesday Group', We look forward to seeing you.
- 3. Network of Kindness:** This is a Diocesan/Deanery initiative. We are looking for 2-3 volunteers to be part of a Deanery working Party of four sessions. The first meeting has been arranged for Tuesday **19 November 10.00am Venue to be confirmed.** This is about encouraging how, we as a Church, connect and support other people. If you would like to find out what this is about, please speak to Rev John.
- 4. Church Gardening Group:** All welcome to join us on Saturday, 2 November, any time between 10.00am–12.00pm. More info Sue or Roger 07512 732241.



- 5. Alms House Lathom :** One is available. If this is of interest, speak to Rev John



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Trinity

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**FREE  
Food  
&  
Drinks**

**Where to come?  
St James' Church,  
Vicarage Lane,  
Westhead, L40 6HG**

**Pizza & Quiz  
Night**

**Wednesday 30th  
October  
6:30 - 9pm**

FREE TRANSPORT  
*available to and from  
the venue*

**NO NEED TO BOOK BUT PLEASE  
DO LET US KNOW IF YOU HAVE  
ANY DIETARY REQUIREMENTS!  
ADMIN@STJAMESWESTHEAD.ORG.UK**

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just for  
STUDENTS!**

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6. We are hoping to invite Students from Edge Hill to the above event. If you can offer any cakes etc, they would be welcomed. Also, if you can spare the time to come along and support us, that would be great.... Contacts are: Cathy, Judith, Kath, Dawn, Dave S, Laura, John

## **CLUSTER ACTIVITIES**

1. **Christianity Explored, St Michael's Church Hall, Church Lane, Aughton, 4.00pm for 1.5 hours: Sundays;** 27 October, 3, 17 November, 1 December.
2. **The Sanctuary Course, at Christ Church, Aughton, in the Ministry Centre 7.00pm for 2 hours: Mondays;** 21, 28 October, 4, 11, November. This Course has had a good reputation, it is about understanding more about faith and mental health. There are only a few of the 12 places available, booking is essential. Further info speak to Rev John.
3. **Men's and Women's Breakfasts**  
Starting in September in the Cluster, Men's and Women's Breakfasts will alternate bi-monthly on **Saturday mornings at 9.30am**. The Women's Breakfast, 'Marian's Morning's' will meet at St Mark's Scarisbrick Church Hall and the Men's Breakfasts will meet at St Michael's Church Hall. Following each breakfast there will be a speaker. If you would like to help with either then please get in touch. To help with catering, please speak to Rev John.
  - (a) **Marian's Mornings at St Mark's**  
30 November, 22 February, 26 April, 28 June.
  - (b) **Men's Breakfast's at St Michael's**  
26 October, 25 January, 29 March, 31 May, 26 July.

If you would like to go, please let Rev John know so dietary requirements and numbers can be forwarded. Thank you.

7. **Local Cycling Club:** Should you be interested in joining, please contact Graham from St Michael's, on, [luke14.23cyclingclub@gmail.com](mailto:luke14.23cyclingclub@gmail.com)