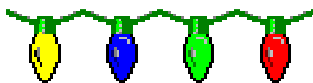


HIGHLIGHTS at St James



Don't spend Christmas on your own!
Come and join us for lunch and lots of fun on Christmas Day.

12.30pm-4.00pm in the St James Centre

Please sign up at the welcome desk or contact Rachel

rachel.elliott@st-james.org.uk

If you would like to help finance this event donations are welcome. If you would like to help prepare food on Christmas Eve (9.30-10.30am) contact Rachel.

Gift Day Thank You

Thank you to everyone who gave so generously to Gift Day. We have received in total £24,330. Let us all praise God for what He has done to provide for the ministry here.

If you pledged but have still not given there are pledge forms and envelopes in the Welcome Area.



Christmas Community Open Day
Sat 19th December
2 - 5pm

Free café, activities for children, live music and a chance to welcome in anyone who wants to pop in. We need people to help make this event happen. On the day we need a set up team, welcomers, drinks servers, and a clear up team. Please contact Rachel if you can help in any way on the day or can make cupcakes!

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THE SOURCE JUST GOT FUNKY
Finished University (for the term, maybe) No Kids Yet?

FUNKY is the thing for you.

Look out for a get-together after the evening service on Sunday 13th December.

Recipe for a happy marriage
1 cup consideration
1 cup courtesy
2 cupfuls flattery carefully concealed
1 gallon faith and trust in each other
2 cupfuls praise

Come and join our Marriage Course on 4, 11, 25 Feb and 4, 11, 18 & 25 March.

Evenings begin at 7.15 pm with candlelit supper for two.

Contact Clare Hendry for details

Carol Service Rehearsals

Choir: Wednesday 9 December 8.00pm
Wednesday 16 December 8.00pm

Musicians: Friday 18 December 8.00pm

Carol Services:

Sunday 20 December 4.30pm and 7.00pm

(with a rehearsal from 1.00-3.00pm)

Monday 21 December 8.00pm

If you'd like to get involved please contact Joel Payne joel.payne@st-james.org.uk



Little Fishes in N10

The 10 to 10 club at St James is getting a makeover in January 2010. In addition to the new name, **Little Fishes in N10**, the format and timing of the club will change. We'll start each term-time **Monday at 10:00am and finish at 11:30am**. During that time the children will be able to enjoy playing with an array of **toys** and there'll be a supervised **craft** activity as well. At the end of each session we will still have a **sing-a-long** and a slot for a **Bible story or short puppet show**. As always, the group welcomes people of all or no faith. Do come and join us! Contact Celia at 020 8361 2946 for more details.



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6th December 2009

Today at St James

8.00am Holy Communion (1662) Celebrant: Penelope Swithinbank

9.30am & 11.15am

Morning Prayer

Theme: Why do we read that?

Passage: Genesis 3: 8-15

Speaker: Clare Hendry

6.00pm

Evening Prayer

Theme: Jesus is coming, eager expectation

Passage: Romans 8: 18-25

Speaker: Will Hunter Smart

UNDER 18s at St James

Promiseland: If your child is under the age of 11 then please take them through the glass door before the start of the 9.30 or 11.15 services, for creche, Scramblers or Promiseland. Registration is from 9.15 and 11.00

Engage: 11-14s meet at 11.00 at the Birchwood for Smoothies

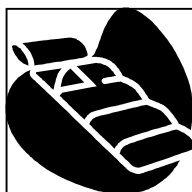
Root: 14-18s meet in the Church Centre at 7.45pm after the 6pm service If you would like more details about any of the youth work at St James please contact Amy Powis, our Youth Associate at amy.powis@st-james.org.uk.

For details of the children's work please contact

PRAYER at St James

Sundays - Come and pray for each of our services at 9.15am, 11.00am, 5.45pm in the side chapel. Prayer Ministry is available after every service. Please go to the prayer ministry area and a member of the team will pray with you. There is also a prayer and listening service available: please call 8883 3250 (Wednesday & Sunday eve) and talk in confidence.

- We pray for our church family and those who are unwell, in distress or struggling
- Pray for other local churches particularly this week for St Barnabas Woodside Park and their minister Henry Kendall.
- Pray for Julia Ritterbusch and Ruth Mason.
- Pray for Mollie Nicholls who is at home recovering from a fall. She would like to thank everyone for their prayers and good wishes
- Primary schools work—Please pray for assemblies at Rhodes Avenue
- Please pray for David and Katharine Allenby and family following the recent death of Katharine's father and David's mother.
- **Are we praying for you?** If so do you want to continue being included in the prayer list? Please let the church office know on 020 8883 6277 or churchoffice@st-james.org.uk



Winter shelter update

We still need airbeds for the Winter shelter and this is the last Sunday before the shelter starts. Do you have a single airbed at home that you don't use any more? Could you donate it to the shelter? (If possible, please could you test it and make sure that it stays inflated!) Thank you

... this week

Monday	9.50am	10-10
	8.00pm	Internationals
Tuesday	10.00am	Pilates in the Centre
	7.30pm	Alpha
Wednesday	11.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
	1.00pm	Teatime
	4.30pm	Playball
	8.00pm	Carol Service Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	6.30am	Central Prayer
	9.15am	Focus—Women's Bible Study

.....Next Sunday - Sunday 13th December 3rd Sunday in Advent

8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP) Celebrant: Penelope Swithinbank
9.30am	Holy Communion
11.15am	Holy Communion
6.00pm	Evening Prayer

..... Upcoming Events

Wednesday	9 December	Winter shelter Opens
Saturday	19 December	Christmas Community Open Day
Sunday	20 December	4.30pm Family Carols 7.00pm Carols by Candlelight
Monday	21 December	8.00pm Carols by Candlelight
Thursday	24 December	4.00pm Crib Service
Easter 2010		A Passion for Life
29—31 October 2010		Church Weekend Away

Church Office & Bookshop

Monday - Thursday 10.00am-5.00pm & Friday 10.00am-1.00pm.

The bookshop is also open Saturday 10.00am-12.00pm and after each service on Sunday.

Clergy Clinics

Kim Swithinbank's next clinic is on Monday 7 December, 4.30pm

Will Hunter Smart's next clinic is on Tuesday 8 December, 4.30pm

Should you want to speak to Kim or Will, but you're unable to make clinic times, please contact them individually to make an appointment.

Welcome to St James Muswell Hill

If you are new to the church, or just visiting, we would love to meet you.
Please come to the Welcome Area at the back of church and introduce yourself.

Bookshop Helpers: The bookshop enables our church to open to the Broadway seven days a week. There are at present some gaps in the team of volunteers, especially after services on Sundays. Do you have some spare time? If so, please speak to one of the clergy, or Martin Rich on 020 8444 8798. It's interesting, rewarding and fun.

Volunteers Needed: We are looking for a person (or 2) to change the altar frontals and to launder the altar cloths. If you would like to know more about this please contact the church office or talk to Pat Peppiatt.

If you have a legal problem, or financial difficulties, St James Church Legal Advice Centre may be able to help. It was started in 1998 and Peter Thompson, the lawyer in charge, holds advice sessions all the year round, except in the holidays, between 10am and 12 noon on Mondays and Saturdays at St James Church and on Wednesdays at the Wilton Community Church. He can be contacted on 020 8883 0371 or anything.legal@dial.pipex.com or you can just drop in at any of the sessions: appointments are not necessary.

Kings Chamber Orchestra CDs are on sale in the bookshop including their Christmas CD. They will make lovely Christmas presents.

Lost Property: If you or your child has lost something in church recently, please go to lost property (at the bottom of the spiral staircase, near the toilets) and retrieve it! Thank you.

Sermons are now online: Sermons can be downloaded from our website www.st-james.org.uk

Youth parent prayer meeting on 7th December has now been postponed till January. **Watch this space for a follow-up Youth Vision and Prayer Evening in January.**

British Museum with the Bible. Clive Anderson from Day One Ministries has very kindly agreed to lead a group from St James on one of their 'Through the British Museum with the Bible' Guided Tours. The Tour will take place on Saturday 23 January 2010. If you would like to participate on this tour please just meet us at St James at 9.45am on the day or email gary.ball@st-james.org.uk for further information. Why not come along yourself or bring a friend or even your pastorate for what promises to be a very informative and enjoyable day? We expect to be back in Muswell Hill again around 5.00pm.

Richard and Nihar Bird would like to invite members of the church family to join them at a service of blessing of marriage for their son Luke and his wife Gemma on Saturday 12 December at 2.00pm here at church.

Muswell Hill Churches, Annual general meeting to be held on 8 December at 7.30pm at United Reform Church, Tetherdown. This will include a discussion of the future of the organization and a film on the work of the Soup Kitchen.