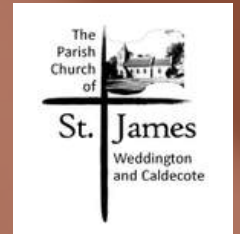




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October 2022

Newsletter of St Nicolas and St James Churches

Sunday Services

Sunday 2nd October - 16th Sunday after Trinity

Lamentations 1: 1-6 2 Timothy 1:1-14 Luke 17: 5-10

10am St Nicolas - HOLY COMMUNION

10am St James - MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday 9th October - 17th Sunday after Trinity

Jeremiah 29: 1, 4-7 Luke 17:11-19

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10am St James - HOLY COMMUNION

Sunday 16th October - 18th Sunday after Trinity

Jeremiah 31: 27-34 2 Timothy 3:14-4.5 Luke 18:1-8

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10am St James - MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday 23rd October - 19th Sunday after Trinity

Joel 2: 23-end 2 Timothy 6-18, 16-18

10am St Nicolas - MORNING WORSHIP

10am St James - MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday 30th October - 4th Sunday before Advent

Isaiah: 10-18 Luke19: 1-10

10am St Nicolas - MORNING WORSHIP

10am - JOINT SERVICE

Collects for October

Sunday 2nd October

*Lord of creation,
whose glory is around and within us:
open our eyes to your wonders,
that we may serve you with reverence
and know your peace at our lives' end,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

Sunday 9th October

*Gracious God,
you call us to fullness of life:
deliver us from unbelief
and banish our anxieties
with the liberating love of Jesus Christ
our Lord.*

Sunday 16th October

*God, our judge and saviour,
teach us to be open to your truth
and to trust in your love,
that we may live each day
with confidence in the salvation which
is given
through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

Sunday 23rd October

*.Faithful Lord,
whose steadfast love never ceases
and whose mercies never come to an
end:
grant us the grace to trust you
and to receive the gifts of your love,
new every morning,
in Jesus Christ our Lord.*

Sunday 30th October

*.God, our light and our salvation:
illuminate our lives,
that we may see your goodness in the
land of the living,
and looking on your beauty
may be changed into the likeness of
Jesus Christ our Lord.*

Wednesday Service

Wednesday 5th October (1st Wednesday of every month)

Galatians 1: 13-end Psalm 139: 1-9 Luke 11: 1-4

10am St Nicolas - HOLY COMMUNION



October

It's great to finally be here at St James' & St Nicolas Churches and start to be get to know you a little - please do continue to be patient if I need to keep asking your names!

Last newsletter I talked about September being all about new starts for me but September 2022 will be remembered as the time that we as a nation (and indeed many across the world) mourned the death of Her Majesty the Queen. During this time we had the churches open for private prayer and signing the book of condolence - it was very moving to see people, some who have little connection with the church come in and spend a few quiet moments in prayer before lighting a candle or writing a message of condolence or in tribute. It was powerful to see so many wait patiently and respectfully in line to pay their respects to Her Majesty as she was laid in state. Many people said how 'lost' they felt now she was gone.

But what a moving and inspiring day the day of the funeral was - with the large and respectful processions, the evocative music and the funeral service itself: The Archbishop of Canterbury delivering a powerful and hope-filled message that picked up the tone of the whole service - of the life of a person of duty and loyal service who was energised and inspired by her faith and hope in Jesus - her king and shepherd. One of the most powerful moments in the service for me was the singing of the Hymn 'Love Divine'. The final words of the song resonated with Christian-resurrection-hope in the Abbey packed with dignitaries, world leaders and mourners watched by nearly half the world's population:



Finish, then, thy new creation;
true and spotless let us be.
Let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee.
Changed from glory into glory,
till in heav'n we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love and praise.



I pray that this month that whatever comes along for you, however lost you may feel, that hope of eternity with Christ 'lost in wonder, love and praise' may sustain and encourage you as it clearly did for Her Majesty the late Queen Elizabeth.

Pause, Ponder ... and pray

HARVEST THOUGHTS

In the first world the harvest
Repeats itself year by year,
And we think little of God's gift
As we shear wheat from the
stalk
And walk away without fear,
That one year the harvest
Might not appear.
As our prayer of thanks
To the Lord of the harvest
Is still warm on our lips,
May we remember to share
A part of our harvest yield
With those whose land
At harvest time is often bare.

Pat Bidmead



Upcoming Events

Operation Christmas Child (OCC)

Once again, this year we will be supporting OCC.

I would like to thank you for packing shoebox gifts previously.

A simple heartfelt gift, packed with love and fuelled by prayer can mean so much to a child in need.

Will you pack a shoebox again, or even for the first time, to share God's love with even more boys and girls this season?

This year the OCC goal is to send two-thirds of shoeboxes from the UK to Ukraine or the neighbouring countries like Moldova and Romania that are hosting many Ukrainian refugee families.

Leaflets to go in the shoeboxes are at the back of St James Church, but if anyone at St Nicolas wants to join in then let me know, and I will get some leaflets to you. Please look at the leaflets carefully to see what can and cannot be included in each box please. Alternatively, go to - <https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/> where you can download leaflets, or pack a shoebox on-line if that is easier.

The deadline for the boxes to be taken to church is Sunday 6th November so they can be delivered to the local collection points during National Collecting Week from 14th – 21st November.

Paul Ingram

Upcoming Events

2022 Family Memorial Service at St James Church

St James Church are hosting a family memorial service on behalf of St James and St Nicolas on 30 October at 4pm.

Members of both churches are warmly invited to attend along with the families of recent funerals. Whether you have been bereaved recently or many years ago, you are welcome to come along and remember your loved ones. The service will last about 45 mins and be followed by refreshments for those who are able to stay. For more information, contact Adrian Guthrie: revadrian@stjamesweddington.org.uk or 07434 663084.

You are warmly invited to a

Family Memorial Service
30 October 2022 4pm
St James Church Weddington

A time to
remember family
members whether
they died a long
while ago
or just recently

Upcoming Events & News

St James and St Nicolas Joint Service

Our joint service will be at St Nicolas Church on 30th October at 10am Our theme will be celebrating 'All Saints'.
Come and join us.

Nuneaton Ecumenical Service

Our usual '5th Sunday' Ecumenical service for Nuneaton will be on Sunday 30th October at Nuneaton Methodist Church
6pm
ALL WELCOME



URGENT! Used phones and laptops needed!

If you have any unneeded laptops or mobile phones Helen and Adam Fielder would love to hear from you - they are collecting them to take to Uganda on their next trip. in November

Upcoming Events

St James Churchyard maintenance

Join us for fun and fresh air as we tidy up St James Churchyard from 9.30 each month

11th October

8th November



St James Church Walking Group

The next outing for the church walking group will take place on Sat 15th October to meet at 9.30 at the church car park. John Keiser will be leading the walk around the Fillongley area.

ALL WELCOME

Upcoming Events & News

Remembrance Services 2022

Remembrance Sunday

13th November 2022

St James Church - 10am

St Nicolas Church - 10am

Nuneaton Town Remembrance Service

Riversley Park 10.30 am

"They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old,
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun, and in the morning,

We will remember them."

Support us with a regular gift

Would you like to support St Nicolas Church by giving money regularly?

We recommend the Parish Giving Scheme.

Online <https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/>

or call 0333 002 1271 or ask Jim Keeley (Treasurer) Nick Shaw or Garry Clarke (Wardens)

It's easy to set up, you can include Gift Aid and you have the opportunity to revise your giving amount annually or whenever you prefer. Use the St Nicolas Parish Code 110611086

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on their facebook page*

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**Morning prayer on zoom -
Mondays 8.45am**



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