



Going Deeper
Sowing Younger
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Working in partnership to serve Nuneaton, Weddington & Caldecote

June 2023

Newsletter of St Nicolas and St James Churches

Welcome to the June Newsletter



What a month May has been. Starting with the Coronation Weekend - what a special occasion that was! Both what we enjoyed watching on TV but also the local events held to commemorate. At St Nicolas - hand bells, visiting Bell ringers and BBQs and St James a lovely community Picnic out in the Churchyard. The special bank holiday gave the opportunity for a litter pick in the local community for both churches which represented several hours work clearing and showed the impact of collective volunteering. A huge thank you to everyone involved that weekend.

We have also begun what is becoming annual visit from our Church School St Nicolas, who come year group at a time to visit the church with their parents. While they are here they learn about the building and take part in a collective worship, singing a song that they have been learning. We are also hoping to welcome the year 6's in for a leavers celebrate at the end of July too where we want to give them a gift from the church. St James PCC is providing a gift of 'It's Your Move' a Scripture Union resource to support the transition from Primary to Secondary for the Year 6's at Weddington Primary.

St Nicolas is a versatile building so it has been lovely to have had the first of a couple of concerts at St Nicolas this summer. Look out for our next concert on the 24th June with Bulkington Brass Band.

It has been a great privilege over the last few months to be able to visit those who can't attend regularly with Communion at Home and to visit Caldwell Lodge and Grange (on behalf of the Anglican churches in Nuneaton). We are putting a pastoral care team together in St Nicolas: a team has been in place in St James for a while now. If you know someone who might benefit from Home Communion or a pastoral visit or phone call please contact Rev Martin Butt (St James) or Terry & Jean Lenton (St Nicolas)

The new sermon series for June & July is called 'Set Free' and will help us explore having been set free from the power of sin what it now means to live 'new lives in Christ' through his Holy Spirit.

Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death.

Rom 8:1-4

June Diary Dates

Sun 4th June

10am Holy Communion (StN)

10am Morning Worship (StJ)

Wed 7th June

10am Holy Communion (St N)

Fri 9th June

Wedding Blessing 1pm (St J)

Sun 11 June

10 am Morning Worship (StN)

10 am Holy Communion (StJ)

Nuneaton Carnival

Tues 13th June

7pm Safeguarding Course St James church Hall

Wed 14th June

10am Morning Prayer (St N)

Fri 16th June

10.30am Funeral (St N) Granville George Short

Sun 18th June Fathers Day

10am Holy Communion (St N)

10am All Age Worship (StJ)

3pm Baptism Prep Meeting (St J)

Mon 19th June

10am SLT Meeting (St N)

Tue 20th June

9.30am Churchyard maintenance (St J)

7pm Prayer Meeting (St J)

Wed 21st June

10am Holy Communion (St N)

2pm Wedding (St J)

Thu 22nd June

1.30pm St Nicolas School (St N)

Sun 25th June

10am All Age Worship (St N)

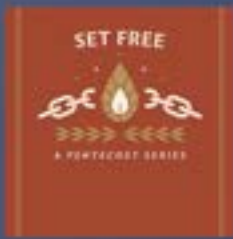
10am Holy Communion (St J)

Wed 28th June

10am Morning Prayer (St N)

Thu 29th June

1.30pm St Nicolas School (St N)



June Sunday Services



Sunday 4th June - Trinity

Genesis 1: 1-24 Matthew 28: 16-20

10am St Nicolas - HOLY COMMUNION

10am St James - MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday 11th June - Barnabas the Apostle

Genesis 12: 1-9 Matthew 9: 13 & 18: 26

10am St Nicolas - MORNING WORSHIP

10am St James - FAMILY COMMUNION

Sunday 18th June - Trinity 2

Exodus 19: 2-8 Matthew 35 & 10:23

10am St Nicolas - HOLY COMMUNION

10am St James - ALL AGES - THIRD SUNDAY

Sunday 25th June - Trinity 3

Matthew 10: 40 - 42

10am St Nicolas - Fourth Sunday Altogether
(ALL AGE WORSHIP)

10am St James - FAMILY COMMUNION



June Wednesday Services



Wednesday 7th June

Genesis 1: 1-24 Matthew 28: 16-20

10am St Nicolas - HOLY COMMUNION

Wednesday 14th June

Genesis 12: 1-9 Matthew 9: 13 & 18: 26

10am St Nicolas - Morning Prayer

Wednesday 21st June

Exodus 19: 2-8 Matthew 35 & 10:23

10am St Nicolas - HOLY COMMUNION

Wednesday 28th June

Matthew 10: 40 - 42

10am St Nicolas - Morning Prayer

A traditional and reflective service in the middle of the week followed by refreshments in the beautiful and historical Leeke Chapel

Collects for June

Sunday 4th June

Holy God,
faithful and unchanging:
enlarge our minds with the
knowledge of your truth,
and draw us more deeply into
the mystery of your love,
that we may truly worship you,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Sunday 11th June

God of truth,
help us to keep your law of
love
and to walk in ways of wisdom,
that we may find true life
in Jesus Christ your Son.

Sunday 18th June

Faithful Creator,
whose mercy never fails:
deepen our faithfulness to you
and to your living Word,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Sunday 25th June

God our saviour,
look on this wounded world
in pity and in power;
hold us fast to your promises of
peace
won for us by your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.

From the Registers

**Please pray for those who have been recently
Baptised:**



14th May Jackson Day (St James)

Weddings



Please pray for:

Steven & Teresa Fletcher who celebrating 22 years of marriage with a wedding blessing at *St James Church* on
Friday 9th June

Jason Hutchinson & Natalie Kershaw who are getting married at *St James Church*

Wednesday 21st June



Funerals



Please pray for those who have lost loved ones recently:

The family of the late Margaret McDonagh

The family of the late Terence Raymond Yorke

The Family of the late Kathleen Mary Ayres

The family of the late Granville George Short

The family of the late Roy Glynn Marsh

The family of the late Wilhelmina Kirsten Hilderley



Pause, Ponder ...

Semi Colon

**As I read the Holy word
Double spaced and underlined,
I heard the whispering voice
Of the doubting Thomas in my mind,
But faith pricked the silent thought of disbelief
And I caught a fleeting insight of understanding,
Death is but a semi colon
Waiting completion of the sentence confirming
The soul is eternal.**

PAT BIDMEAD



.... and pray

**Kindle in our hearts, O God
The Flame of love which never ceases,
that it may burn in us, giving light to others.
May we shine forever in your temple,
set on fire with your eternal light
even your Son Jesus Christ,
our Saviour and our Redeemer
Amen**

**We praise you, O God,
We acclaim you as the Lord;
All creation worships you,
the Father everlasting.
To you all angels, all the powers of heaven,
the cherubim and seraphim,
sing in endless praise:
Holy, Holy Holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
*From Te Deum Laudamus***

Parish News & Updates

A huge thank you for everyone who helped with the Coronation Weekend - from handbell ringing to litter-picking, flower arranging, chair-moving, organising food both picnics and BBQs, putting -up bunting (and taking it down) inviting people and turning up - it was a superb effort at both churches and the clergy and wardens are very grateful for all the hard work each person has contributed. Please enjoy these photos - a little glimpse of the special events that happened to celebrate this special and historical event.



Parish News & Updates

A huge thank you to everyone who came, helped, bought tickets and supported this wonderful evening - as well as enjoying some fantastic music by hugely talented performers, we raised £800 to be shared between two charities that the Newborough family have been working with.

It was a moving tribute to Megan and all who lost their lives at the hands of men they trusted and an opportunity to make a stand against violence towards women.



**Celebrating Women
in Music**

Judy Norton
Professional musician

Sat 20th May 7 - 9.30pm
St Nicolas Church, Nuneaton
Tickets: £15 (Concessions £10)
Children Free

White Ribbon Day - 25th November 2022



#TheGoal #WhiteRibbonDay



killedwomen.org

Eco Church updates

Churches Count on Nature:

Saturday 3rd June – Sunday 12th June

This week, (including 2 weekends, is designated by Caring for God's Acre as Love your Burial Ground Week (previously know as Cherishing Churchyards week). They have joined with A Rocha and The Church of England and Church in Wales to encourage churches to get involved in recording the nature around them (regardless of whether this is used for burials) and an opportunity to connect people to that nature.

Their suggested ideas for events include:

- Family bug hunts
- Dawn chorus walk – followed by breakfast
- Illustrated talks
- Wildlife spotting and recording sessions
- Local history tours
- Work parties
- And more!

As an example, All Saints', Leek Wootton have done various activities over the years including -

- Bat and Moth night
- Wildflower walk
- Minibeast hunting
- Tree bingo
- Hedgehog house making

If this interests you then please let Dean Moore know so we can arrange something for next year. Perhaps this year, pop along to our churchyards and sit, simply enjoying the wildlife, fresh air and quiet beauty of these spaces. If you happen to notice anything of interest, do let Dean know

More information can be found using this link

<https://www.caringforgodsacre.org.uk/churches-count-on-nature-faqs/>



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includes light lunch.*

**On Zoom, £7 / day's session(s).*

Register by paying in advance below.

To book lunch/Zoom link, contact.

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7952 947848 (SMS preferably)*

***April**

Tue 10th - Fri 21st: *Morning & Evenings:*

-Inductive Bible Study of Philemon, Jonah, Genesis

Wed 26th - 28th: *Mornings only from here on:* Deuteronomy

***May**

Wed 3rd - Fri 5th: 1&2 Kings

Wed 10th - Fri 12th: Psalms

Wed 17th: Amos & Habakkuk

Wed 24th: Ezra & Nehemiah

Wed 31st - Fri 2nd Jun.: Luke

***June**

Tues. 6th -Thu 8th: Acts,

Tue 13th - Wed 14th: Galatians

Tue 20th - Thu 22nd: Revelation

***For all Payment Methods, please use your
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*systematic, time-ordered
and in context...
- then we CAN present the Bible in a
accurate, balanced, & vibrant way!*

Church & Churchyard Cleaning and Maintenance

St James Churchyard maintenance

Join us for fun and fresh air as we tidy up
St James Churchyard

Tuesday 20th June 9.30am

See weekly e-bulletin for updates



St Nicolas Church Cleaning

Saturday 8th July 2023



Photograph from the discussion and workshop we did last November when the need for a Sunday school became very apparent.

We, Adam and Helen Fielder and Joey McCarroll will be able to take them on our forthcoming visit. We have partnered with St Philips Church Signed fellowship northwest Uganda since 2009.

When we first went to St Philips Deaf church as it was then called the congregation was full of young adults and older adults with grown children. Today there are some 17 young children aged between 0 and 13 and they have been trying to start a sign led Sunday school with voice over for these young people. Until recently the church policy had been to cater for the children of deaf adults in the voice led Sunday schools which met at a different time to the parents signed fellowship. This has been logistically challenging, and all the children said that they would prefer to attend Church with their parents even though they the children are hearing, and the parents are deaf. The church has taken note and has asked us to help in developing the signed Sunday School with voice over.

Deaf Hearing United *forthcoming visit to Uganda Summer 2023*

Do you have good quality Christian picture books/Bibles you are willing to donate to support children of deaf adults in Sunday school in Uganda?

Do you have old/used mobile phones/laptops that could be useful?



For the past year we have been exchanging ideas through WhatsApp and we have promoted the St. Nics model of Sunday school.

Christian story books are in short supply. Your contributions would be a huge blessing.



SAINTS UPDATE FOR MAY

EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES WE RAN:

- Free breakfast for children every day during Half Term
- Free kids activities during Half term
- Boxing day for young people in Half term - including lunch!
- Parents Coffee Club - social group for parents with babies and toddlers, includes free drink and a pastry, free children's play area and a free toddler activity
- Coffee and Create - Social group for crafters with free coffee
- Pay it forward scheme - customers can choose to pay it forward and purchase a meal or drink in advance for someone in need to claim later
- Lego Club every Saturday
- Food Hamper Fridays
- Free blankets and baby clothes available
- Free creative workshops every week, open to all
- 4 people supported with work experience in our café
- Student Lounge - two days a week after school sessions for young people to study, hang out, get some food and learn new things
- 6 young people trained and qualified as Baristas!
- New Senior and Student discount of 15%
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EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES WE HOSTED:

- CWDA Ukrainian and Hong Kong employability and English Language groups
- Socially Shared Women in Business Network
- PET-Xi 'Cooking Counts' course and on site 1-1 support
- Kintsugi Hope Wellbeing course
- Alpha Course
- Student Lounge x Think Higher (Wednesdays)
- Art Exhibition run by local artist Peter Carre
- Willow Weaving courses run by Wayside Willow
- Play IT games group
- MIDAS Training Course
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ST NICOLAS PARISH CHURCH, NUNEATON

SUMMER

BRASS

Concert

**BULKINGTON SILVER BAND
"SUMMER PROM"**

SAT 24TH JUNE 2023

7:30PM - 9:30PM

VENUE: ST NICOLAS PARISH CHURCH,
NUNEATON
VICARAGE ST, CV11 4AZ

**TICKETS: £10
CONCESSIONS £5
CHILDREN(UNDER 18'S) FREE**

REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED

Tickets available online
or on the door

024 7634 4553

www.stnicolaschurch.org.uk

Opportunities for Prayer

Morning prayer (Online) in the Zoom Room

Mondays 8.45am

ID: 2476344553 Password: Shekinah

<https://www.zoom.us/join>

Our next monthly prayer meeting is

Tuesday June 20th 7pm

in the St James Church Lounge

Coventry Diocese Prayer Diary:

<https://www.coventry.anglican.org/prayer-diary.php>

Lectio 365 app on your phone

Lectio 365 is a free daily devotional resource that helps you pray the Bible every day.

<https://www.24-7prayer.com/resource/lectio-365/>

Online Daily service from Church of England

<https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer>

Weekly Worship on Wednesdays

1st & 3rd Wed (BCP) Holy Communion

2nd & 4th Wed Morning Prayer

Support us with a regular gift

Parish Giving Scheme

The best and easiest way to support both St Nicolas and St James churches with regular donations is through the Parish Giving Scheme.

**You can set up your gift online
<https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/>
or by calling 0333 002 1271**

For more information speak to:

Jim Keeley (Treasurer)

Nick Shaw or Garry Clarke (St Nic's Wardens)

or Brenda Gardiner (St James Warden)

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. Each Parish is separately administered so your gift supports your local church

St Nicolas Parish Code 110611086

St James Parish Code 110611090

Alternatively, cash and card donations can be made in both churches at all our regular services

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on their facebook page*

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



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