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Services in the Parish next week 15th February 2026

8.30am Holy Communion at St John's (traditional language)
9.30am Holy Communion at St Hugh's
10.00am Holy Communion at St John's
4.00pm Messy Church at St John's

**Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
to his feet thy tribute bring,
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
who like me his praise should sing?
Alleluia, alleluia,
praise the everlasting King.**

**Praise him for his grace and favour
to our fathers in distress;
praise him still the same forever,
slow to chide, and swift to bless.
Alleluia, alleluia,
glorious in his faithfulness.**

**Father-like, he tends and spares us,
well our feeble frame he knows;
in his hands he gently bears us,
rescues us from all our foes.
Alleluia, alleluia,
widely as his mercy goes.**

**Angels, help us to adore him;
ye behold him face to face;
sun and moon, bow down before him,
dwellers all in time and space.
Alleluia, alleluia,
praise with us the God of grace.**

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

The Greeting

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All and also with you.

Prayer of Preparation

All Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis

All Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest.

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth
Lord God heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks.
we praise you for your glory.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest.

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.**

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest.

The Collect

Reading Romans 8:18 - 25 *At the end of the reading please respond*

For the gift of your holy word

All **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn

**Be still and know that I am God.
Be still and know that I am God.
Be still and know that I am God.**

**I am the Lord that healeth thee
I am the Lord that healeth thee.
I am the Lord that healeth thee.**

**In thee, O Lord, I put my trust.
In thee, O Lord, I put my trust.
In thee, O Lord, I put my trust.**

Gospel Reading

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

At the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

To the words ‘Unchanging Lord’ would you please respond ‘**Fix our hearts on your goodness**’. At end of the prayers we say together

Merciful Father,
All accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Prayers of Penitence

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: The first commandment is this: ‘Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord.

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.’ The second is this: ‘Love your neighbour as yourself.’

There is no other commandment greater than these.

On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

All Amen. Lord, have mercy.

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life. Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God’s commandments and to live in love and peace with all.

All Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The children join us from their worship and the notices are given.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

Christ is our peace. If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation. The old has passed away: behold, everything has become new.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All and also with you.

Let us share a sign of peace with one another.

Hymn

**Jesus Christ is waiting,
Waiting in the streets;
No one is his neighbour,
All alone he eats.
Listen, Lord Jesus,
I am lonely too.
Make me, friend or stranger,
Fit to wait on you.**

**Jesus Christ is raging,
Raging in the streets,
Where injustice spirals
And real hope retreats.
Listen, Lord Jesus,
I am angry too.
In the Kingdom's causes
Let me rage with you.**

**Jesus Christ is healing,
Healing in the streets;
Curing those who suffer,
Touching those he greets.
Listen, Lord Jesus,
I have pity too.
Let my care be active,
Healing just like you.**

**Jesus Christ is dancing,
Dancing in the streets,
Where each sign of hatred
He, with love, defeats.
Listen, Lord Jesus,
I should triumph too.
On suspicion's graveyard
Let me dance with you.**

**Jesus Christ is calling,
Calling in the streets,
"Who will join my journey?
I will guide their feet."
Listen, Lord Jesus,
Let my fears be few.
Walk one step before me;
I will follow you.**

The Preparation of the Table

As the grain once scattered in the fields, and the grapes once dispersed on the hillside are now reunited on this table in bread and wine, so, Lord, may your whole Church soon be gathered together from the corners of the earth into your kingdom.

All Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here.

All His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

The president praises God for his mighty acts and all respond

All Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

The president recalls the Last Supper

Great is the mystery of faith

All Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

The prayer continues and leads into the doxology, to which all respond

All Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

All Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

The president breaks the consecrated bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

Agnus Dei

All Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

Giving of Communion

God's holy gifts for God's holy people

All Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God the Father.

The president and people receive communion. Everyone is very welcome to receive the bread and wine whether you've been baptised or confirmed. Please come forward at the direction of the Church Wardens. For reason of hygiene the Church of England does not allow intinction (dipping bread into the wine). If you don't feel able to take the wine from the common cup today please just receive the bread, which will be the full presence of Christ for you. At the distribution of the bread and wine these words will be said

The body of Christ keep you in eternal life
The blood of Christ keep you in eternal life

The communicant replies **Amen.**

During the communion after the choir anthem please join in with singing

**There is a redeemer,
Jesus, God's own Son,
precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
holy One.**

*Thank you, O my Father,
for giving us your Son,
and leaving your Spirit
till the work on earth is done.*

**Jesus, my Redeemer,
name above all names,
precious Son of God, Messiah,
O for sinners slain.**

Thank you, O my Father,

**When I stand in glory
I will see his face
and there I'll serve my King for ever
in that holy place.**

Thank you, O my Father,

Prayer after Communion

The Post-Communion prayer is said

All God of our pilgrimage, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn

**Thou, whose almighty Word
chaos and darkness heard,
and took their flight;
hear us, we humbly pray,
and, where the gospel - day
sheds not its glorious ray,
let there be light.**

**Thou, who didst come to bring
on thy redeeming wing
healing and sight,
health to the sick in mind,
sight to the inly blind,
O now, to all mankind
Let there be light.**

**Spirit of truth and love,
life-giving, holy Dove,
speed forth thy flight;
move on the water's face,
bearing the lamp of grace,
and in earth's darkest place
Let there be light.**

**Holy and blessèd Three,
glorious Trinity,
Wisdom, Love, Might
boundless as ocean's tide,
rolling in fullest pride,
through the world far and wide,
let there be light**

The Blessing and Dismissal

Go in the peace to love and serve the Lord.
All **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

NOTICES

REFRESHMENTS There is tea and coffee, available in after this service in the Church Hall.

WEDNESDAY COFFEE do join us from 10.00-12noon every Wednesday. Everyone is welcome.

MESSY CHURCH Calling all families! Our next Messy Church session is on Sunday 15th February at 4pm when our theme will be Love as the date is the day after Valentine's Day!

HEARTS AND HANDS I am delighted to tell you that the previous art workshop has been extended into 2026. This is due to the huge success of the project this last year. This restarted on FRIDAY 9th January 2026 at St James's - 12.30 lunch and 13.00 workshop for 7 weeks. See posters for more details. Loraine.

DEANERY SYNOD The next Deanery Synod for Aire and Worth Deanery is on Monday 9th February at 7.30pm. This meeting will be on zoom and I am delighted to say that Anna Dixon, our MP, will be joining us. It will be an opportunity to hear about her work as our MP and for us to ask questions. If you would like a zoom link, please let me know and I will forward it to you. Sandra.

PANCAKE PARTY As in previous years you are all invited to our Pancake Party at St James's Church on Tuesday 17th February from 6pm. It's a great time to come together, to feast on pancakes as we move into Lent.

ASH WEDNESDAY starts the season of Lent and in the Parish there will be two services of Holy Communion with Imposition of Ashes in the Parish. St James's will hold a service at 12 noon and St John's at 7.30pm

SOCIAL SATURDAY ST JAMES'S COMMUNITY HUB 14TH FEBRUARY 10.00am - 12 noon. As the January Social Saturday was affected by the icy weather we will run the Beetle Drive and games event again for our February social So why not join us for a morning of fun and games. A game of cards or scrabble, or maybe just a chat with friends over a coffee and cake. No need to book just come along.

CHARITABLE GIVING QUESTIONNAIRE We are a generous parish and our charitable giving makes a real difference to a range of causes. We are looking for one or two new charities to refresh our monthly portfolio of causes which the parish supports. If you would like to suggest a worthwhile charity for consideration then please complete the questionnaire by the end of February and hand it to one of the Wardens on duty at worship. Thank you.

LEONARD MORRIS It was with sadness that we received the news of Leonard's death. He has been a faithful members of the parish community, usually worshipping at St James' and St Hugh's with his wife Doreen. His funeral will take place at St James' Church on Tuesday 17th February at 1pm. Let us offer Doreen and Leonard's family and all who will miss him our love and prayers at this time.

BABY AND TODDLER "PLAY & DISCOVER" SESSIONS, ST JAMES'S COMMUNITY HUB We are planning to start these new sessions each Monday morning from 09.00-10.45 from the 9th March 2026. Whilst there will be two staff members there each week, in order for it to run efficiently we are looking for a team of volunteers to help with the setting up of the church with the toys and activities, making tea, coffee, juice, toast in the lounge and generally being around for extra pairs of hands. We would only need two volunteers each week from 08.15-11.00 so if we have a number of people willing to go on a rota system you would only be required now and again. Are you up for it? To help to make this happen please have a word with Loraine Radcliffe 07960 018025 if you are and let's get together to offer a lovely opportunity for local children to come to have fun!

LENT CONVERSATIONS Lent will soon be upon us; a season in the church year when we encourage one another to take time to deepen our faith and meet God afresh. One of the ways we can do this is to read a book in common with one another and share in conversation together. This year our thinking and conversations are going to be stimulated by David Ford's book 'Meeting God in John'. We will be meeting on Wednesdays 25th February, 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th March . There are two options - lunchtimes with a simple lunch at 12.30pm with conversations and a short video from 1pm until about 2.15pm and in the evenings at the Halfway House, with conversations over a drink (which doesn't have to be alcoholic) 7.30pm - 9.15pm. Whether or not you wish to join a group if you would like to purchase a copy of the book for £8.99 the please contact Rev Ruth or Carolyn (email Carolyn on cagomersal@hotmail.co.uk)



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