CHURCH SERVICES and MEETINGS THIS WEEK MORNING & EVENING PRAYER IS SAID AT 8.00am and 5.00pm MONDAY TO SATURDAY

MONDAY 22nd MAY 2017 Fr John's day off

3.00pm *Open the Book* Rehearsal – Community Centre **TUESDAY 23**rd

8.00am Morning Prayer - Said Privately

9.30am Chatterbox - church

WEDNESDAY 24th Rogation Day

10.00am Holy Eucharist - Nave Altar - Fr Ian

12.00pm Funeral of Joan Coulling – Crematorium – Fr Hugh

2.30pm Outreach Poetry Group - The Lawns

5.30pm - 6.30pm Church Parish Office - church

THURSDAY 25th ASCENSION DAY

9.00am OTB - Beech Green Primary, 10.00am Fieldcourt I.A.

10.00am Chit Chat – church

7.30pm Holy Eucharist – Fr John

7.30pm Bellringing Practice

FRIDAY 26th

12.30pm Wedding of Philip Coates and Emma McSharry- Fr Ian

2.30pm Quiet Prayer Group – St Oswald's, Coney Hill

SATURDAY 27th Our Lady on Saturday

8.30am Morning Prayer and the Litany of Our Lady – L. Chapel

9.00am - 10.00am Church Parish Office - church

10.00am SUMMER FAYRE MEETING - PLEASE HELP - CHURCH

SUNDAY 28th SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

10.30am Parish Sung Holy Eucharist - C. & P. Fr John -

Children's soft play area followed by coffee

Gluten Free Communion Wafers available, do ask before the service.

2.00pm – 5.00pm Open Garden – Diane Ramsay's home

Principal Service Readings:

Acts 1. 6-14 1 Peter 4. 12-14, 5. 6-11 John 17. 1-11

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This Sunday is:-

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

21st MAY 2017

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10.30am Parish Sung Holy Eucharist - C. Fr John, **with guest speaker David Cooling from Tearfund** - *followed by coffee* Gluten Free Communion Wafers available, do ask before the service. Children's soft play area

Hymns for Today's Service from More Favourite Hymns

Entrance Hymn – 12 Gradual Hymn – 8 Offertory Hymn – 16

Hymns during Communion from Songs of Fellowship

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Final Hymn - 19

ORDER OF SERVICE Year A – The Great 50 Days - Yellow Booklet

TODAY'S READINGS:

First Reading - Acts 17. 22-31 Second Reading - 1 Peter 3. 13-22 Gospel - John 14. 15-21

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

LIFE

God of hope and transformation, who in our Lord Jesus Christ offers the gift of life in all its fullness, send your Holy Spirit and grant us joy in our following and vision in our *leadership*. May we be rich in *imagination*, confident in *faith*, and courageous in our *engagement* with the people and places of this diocese. As we share your life with the world, keep us rooted and grounded in love as we bear witness to your glory and pray for your Kingdom to come. **Amen.**

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

I am the first and the last, says the Lord, and the living one; I was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

INTERCESSION VERSICLE AND RESPONSE

Versicle (Intercessor) – You are the one true God: Response (ALL) – and we welcome you.

CHURCH PARISH OFFICE

To arrange for Calling of Banns of Marriage. Christening/Holy Baptism. Wedding/Marriage/Blessing or Other.

Just pop into the Church Parish Office at Saint James
Church on Wednesdays 5.30pm – 6.30pm or
Saturdays 9.00am – 10.00am

PRAYER DIARY

The Monthly Prayer Diary is in the Lady Chapel for those you may wish to have prayed for.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Fred Ward, Ivy Roberts, Pat Finney, John and Janet Giddings, Seonag Udell, Marie Spicer, Pam Seally, those on our prayer list and on our hearts and minds.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO MOURN AND FOR THOSE IN NEED

Sue Taylor and her family, the homeless of Gloucester, the people of Syria.

PRAYERS FOR THE DEPARTED

Keith Taylor, Joan Coulling, Graham (Jim) Taylor, all the departed including the victims of natural disaster and violence, as well as those of Year's Mind.

SACRAMENTAL MINISTRY

Private Confession, Ministry of Healing, Spiritual Guidance is available with one of the clergy.

QUOTE FOR THE WEEK

"To plant a garden is to believe in tomorrow"

(Audrey Hepburn)

THE RECTOR'S

NEWS TO THE PEWS

<u>TEARFUND</u> We have a speaker, Mr Dave Cooling, from the Tearfund charity to speak to us **today** about its mission and work.

Fr John

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK You will find envelopes on the pews. Please give generously to this worthy cause. Filled envelopes can be placed in the Collection Plate today or next Sunday.

THE SUMMER FAYRE Please help, and spend no more than an hour next Saturday at 10.00am to finalise details for the Summer Fayre. This fund raising event is very important for our parish finances. It does require "all hands on deck" please, in one way or another.

Fr John

PARISH PILGRIMAGE - 2017 The parish pilgrimage to Hereford will be on WEDNESDAY 26 JULY. Fr Hugh has an information sheet for those wishing to go on this trip. There is a daily Eucharist at All Saints (Fr Hugh's former parish) at 1.10pm each day and Fr Hugh has been invited to celebrate for this

occasion. Arrangements will be made for lunch in the quite splendid restaurant in the church. PLACES STILL AVAILABLE.

<u>"AROUND THE SPIRE"</u> The May issue of Saint James Parish Magazine is now available in church. Please take a copy, plus any you can deliver to others who may be interested. It is so important that copies of this magazine reach as many people as possible.

Fr Hugh – your Editor

OPEN GARDEN Next Sunday 28 May – 2.00pm - 5.00pm.

There are posters and small invite/reminder cards at the back of the church for people to pass on to friends or keep themselves.

Plea for cakes please! As entry fee includes tea/coffee and cake, please, please, could people bake a cake.

Diane will pick them up from the church on the morning of 28 May.

QUIET PRAYER GROUP We are a group of people from a number of different churches who meet about once a month to share a time of quiet prayer and contemplation together.

The part meeting is at \$1 Oswald's Capacitallian Eriday 26 May

The next meeting is at St Oswald's, Coney Hill on Friday 26 May at 2.30pm. Everyone is very welcome to join us.

COMBINED SERVICE WITH STJ's, 4 JUNE at 10.30am

Please put your name on the list by the door if you can provide food for this service. Many thanks.

FUTURE FUNDRAISING EVENTS AT SAINT JAMES

SUNDAY 28 MAY at 2.00pm QUEDGELEY AND KINGSWAY OPEN GARDEN 2017

At Diane Ramsay's home. Entry fee £2.50 (children free) which includes tea/coffee and cake.

This has proved to be an excellent fund-raiser for church funds the last two years, and outreach to the community.

SATURDAY 1 JULY at 12.00pm SAINT JAMES SUMMER FAYRE

More details to follow.

SUNDAY 20 AUGUST at 1.00pm PLOUGHMAN'S LUNCH AT 'THE WHITE HOUSE'

Once again Val and Bernard will be hosting this popular annual event to raise money for Church Funds. There will also be stalls for Raffle, Plants and Produce. More details nearer the time.

PLEASE TAKE THIS SAINT JAMES NEWSLETTER HOME AND GIVE TO FAMILY, FRIEND OR NEIGHBOUR

SAINT JAMES WEEKLY NEWS

Articles and Notices for inclusion in the parish newsletter should reach the Editor, Gill Bond, by <u>FRIDAY</u> morning of each week