

Services & Meetings this week
Morning & Evening Prayer are said daily at 8am & 5pm. (MP 8.30am on Sats.)

Sunday 11th The Sunday before Lent
10.30am Sung Eucharist
1pm Holy Baptism: Rylee Smith

Monday 12th *Fr John Off Duty*

Tuesday 13th 9.30am Chatterbox
7pm PCC Meeting

Wed 14th Ash Wednesday
10am Holy Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes
5.30pm Parish Office
7.30pm Holy Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes

Thursday 15th 10am Chit Chat
1.30pm Funeral (church): Eileen Russ

Friday 16th

Saturday 17th *Our Lady on Saturday*
9.00am - 10am Parish Office
11am Stations of the Cross
12noon Soup & Chat

Sunday 18th: 1st Sunday in Lent
10.30am Parish Sung Eucharist
2pm Holy Baptism - Freya Williams

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St JAMES the APOSTLE**

&

St MARY MAGDALENE

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**Sunday 11th February 2018
The Sunday before Lent**

10.30am Sung Eucharist :
Green service booklet

Gluten-free communion wafers available; please advise clergy or stewards if this is your need.

Welcome, everyone, to St James' today - especially if this is your first visit here.

Coffee will be served after the service; there is a children's soft-play area available.

Bible Readings for today:

2 Kings 2. 1-12

Elijah is taken into heaven. This vision gives Elisha courage to begin his ministry as a prophet.

2 Corinthians 4. 3-6

The glory of God is revealed in Jesus Christ, but this clear only to those who believe the Gospel.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

We do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Mark 9. 2-9

A group of the disciples receive reassurance that what they believe about Jesus is true.

Today's hymns: (All from Hymns Old & New)

Introit 105

Gradual 67

Offertory 60

Communion 714

Recessional 419

"No Organist - CD accompaniment".

There is no doubt we shall miss dear Liz; today we are using our CD accompaniment - thank you, Caroline Meek for this very useful gift.

It will be very different; we shall soon have to listen carefully - we shall soon get used to the recordings! Please sing as usual!

Please pray for:

The Sick: Ivy Roberts, Pat Finney, Arthur & Mary Ellis, Derek Shipton, Robert Dean, Ann Robertson, John Baker, John Rogers, Megan Lucas, Marion Absolom, Helen Jones, James Rice, Philip Parker, Fr Peter Minall;

All those in the care of our local nursing homes, and all those in our hearts & minds.

The Departed: Margaret Allison, Patrick Bradley, Lee Ridgeway, Adam Thomas, Eileen Russ

The victims of violence, and of natural disasters. Those whose years' mind occur at this time. Those who mourn.

The homeless in Gloucester. The work of the Food Bank in our city All those, especially young people, who suffer from any addiction.

Please pray for our Parish.

Response for the Intercessions:

Let us worship the Lord:

In the beauty of holiness.

Margaret Allison's funeral service will be held in St James' on Friday 23rd February at 11am, followed by cremation.

Ash Wednesday, 14th February - Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes at 10am & 7.30pm.

Saturdays in Lent: Stations of the Cross at 11am and at 12noon Soup Lunch with "Any Questions?" - We therefore need your questions (as well as your attendance to hear the answers!) Do come along - we have been promised some delicious home-made soups!

"Around the Spire" - the February edition is in church today; please make sure you take a copy home with you! Notes for the March edition to Fr. Hugh by tomorrow (12th) please.

Quotation for the week:

"Do not despair; one of the thieves was saved. Do not presume; one of the thieves was damned"
(St Augustine of Hippo, N. Africa)

Sacramental Ministry:

Private Confession, Healing ministry, spiritual guidance - always available from any of the clergy. Just have a private word.

(Contact details over the page.)

Notes from Fr John, our Rector:

Confirmation 2018: 16th Sept. 2018 at 10.30am. Application forms for all those wishing to be confirmed should be collected from Fr. John. Preparation sessions will begin after Easter.

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting 2018

("The Easter Vestry") - will take place on **Sunday 15th April after the 10.30am Eucharist** & will finish by 12.45pm. This is the meeting where you elect your Churchwardens, Church Councillors, Sidesmen, and make other important appointments, as well as receiving reports from various church officers.

Lists will soon be displayed for you to make your nominations - after you have received the consent from the person you wish to nominate.

Please make sure that your name (and the names of all proposed candidates) are on the Church Electoral Roll. **Check with Peter Allen, our Electoral Roll Secretary, to make sure that YOU are enrolled.**

Two Reminders: We are looking for someone to take on the duty of Treasurer; and with the passing of Margaret Allison, her place on the council will need to be filled.

The Lent Foodbank: We have received a big thank you from the Gloucester foodbank, who are experiencing higher demands from growing numbers of people, both young and old. We shall use the weeks of Lent from Ash Wednesday to Palm Sunday to collect food items to be delivered in time for Easter. Urgently required are: Cereals & biscuits, pasta & pasta sauces, UHT milk, sugar, fruit juice, tinned fish, meat, & fruit. Please remember that perishable items - fresh fruit, veg., bread - are difficult for the Foodbank to handle.

Details of a Charity Concert on 25th March at 6.30pm, together with a letter from the Foodbank, are posted in the church porch.

Altar Linen & Book of Remembrance: Deepest thanks for all your donations towards these; you have been so very kind and generous. Donations are still welcome - please see Lesley our treasurer or Fr John.

Lent & Holy Week: Lent begins on Wednesday this week. Copies of our Lent & Holy Week programme are available near the church door - please take one (or two, or more, for friends & neighbours); please join us in this holy Season.

Items for inclusion in this newsheet should be sent to Fr Ian on ia_jdr@lineone.net by the Wednesday evening prior to publication. Thank you.