

**Welcome to
Shirley Parish
Christ the King, St James the Great and St John the Divine**

**This week: 27th February – 5th March
Next Before Lent**



Sun 27 th	9am Eucharist (St John's) 10.30am Morning Worship (St James & YouTube) 10.30am Morning Worship (Christ the King)
Tues 1 st	10am Welcome Café (Church House)
Weds 2 nd	2pm Mothers Union (Church House) 7:30pm Ash Wednesday Communion (St James & YouTube)
Thurs 3 rd	10.30am Eucharist (St James) 2.30pm Funeral (St James)
Fri 4 th	10am Jimmy Tots (Church House) 10.30am World Day of Prayer (Our Lady of the Wayside)
Sat 5 th	9am Prayers (Zoom) 9.45am Marriage Preparation Day (St James and Church House)
Sun 6 th	8am Eucharist (St James) 10.30am Eucharist (St James & YouTube) 3.30pm Reflective Worship (St John's)

You can find the videos for the services on the Shirley Parish YouTube channel

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCpcB9321NJzEHS1K9LU-kAg>

Unfortunately we are unable to put the services on the telephone line at present.

Covid Restrictions - Despite the recent announcements from Government about the easing of Covid restrictions we remain concerned about those who are particularly vulnerable and so we recommend continued wearing of face coverings during our services and when moving around during social events. We also recommend that the current arrangements regarding distancing and numbers at tables remain. Both recommendations to be looked at again in 4 weeks.

Coming up.....

Pam Hunter – Pam's funeral is being held in Weston Super Mare on 1st March at 2:30pm. It is being live streamed. To access the video go to <https://www.wesleymedia.co.uk/webcast-view> and use PIN number 224-8125

Mothers' Union – Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 2nd March 2.00pm in Church House. The speaker will be Elizabeth Formby M.B.E about the charity Akamba Children's Education Fund (A.C.E.F) and their support to the Brainhouse School in Nairobi, Kenya. All our welcome to join us.

Ash Wednesday – is on 2nd March – there will a service in St James at 7:30pm

Mary Hobbs' funeral will be in St James Church at 2:30pm on March 3rd.

World Day of Prayer - This is on 4th March 2022 10.30am at Our Lady of the Wayside Church and this year has been prepared by the women of England, Wales and Northern Ireland. All welcome.

Lent Booklets and Lent Groups – Copies of the Church of England Live lent – Embracing Justice booklets which contain a Bible Reading, a reflection and a prayer for each day in Lent will be available at the back of church shortly. They cost £1.50 each if you are able to pay (no matter if not). The readings are also available by daily email or a smartphone App. Our Parish Lent Groups will be based on these daily readings and will be on Wednesday afternoons at 2:30pm in Church House and Thursday evenings at 7:30pm over Zoom. Please let the office know if you would like to take part.

Lent Challenge – Why not join us in the Shirley Parish Lent Challenge – a simple thing each one of us can do each day throughout Lent to make a positive contribution to our community. Watch this space for more information!

This week's challenges:

Ash Wednesday	Say sorry to someone you upset or hurt.
Thu 3 rd March	Smile at everyone you pass by. It's good to smile at people as it makes them feel happy too. <i>And/or pray for those who are sad.</i>
Fri 4 th March	Remember to say thank you to God before each meal.
Weekend 5 th /6 th	Bake a cake for someone and give it to them. <i>And/or pray for those who don't have even the basic food they need to survive.</i>

Friends of St James: On Saturday 12th March we are holding a Coffee Morning from 10.30 - 12.30pm in Church House. We are collecting bric a brac and books (which may be left in the Parish Office) and cakes (on the day, please). Do join us for coffee with friends and help us to raise some much needed funds.

Parish Notices

Computer Beginners: We are repeating the 5 week course, which was so successful in the Autumn. 2-4pm Tuesday afternoons in Church House, starting on 8th March. The course is FREE but places are limited. Contact Kate Crocker 07562664163 for more information.

LAMPS Drama – LAMPS theatre group are presenting The Passion – a moving and memorable retelling of the Easter Story – in Shirley Baptist Church on Sunday 3rd April at 6:30pm. Tickets £5 from the Parish Office. We encourage you to see this if you can - there will be NO Reflective Worship that evening at St John's.

We are still collecting for the food bank on a weekly basis – please help if you can

ADAVU: washable felt tip pens and colouring books suitable for children

NARTHEX: no donations are being accepted until all the preChristmas parcels have been opened and sorted into their boxes

FOOD BANK: tinned fruit and meat soup please.

For Prayer – Those who work in hospitality

The departed and those who mourn them: Janet Hill, Bashir Mohammed

Years Mind: Tony Hart, Lettie Wardle, Dennis Bruce, Mary King, Lillian Hemus, Elsie Emery, Forbes Young, Reginald Hollick, James Cole, Julia Skyes, John Roberts, Dorothy Holbeche, Jack Shaw, June Carrington, Ronald Rheeston, Gladys Thomas, Len Green

Keeping in touch....

Next week's Pewslip

CONCISE items (max 3 sentences) to Parish Office by 9am on Wednesday please. Longer articles to shirleyparishmagazine@gmail.com by 12th of the month.

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To join Zoom events, just use this link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4904334906>

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCpcB9321NJzEHS1K9LU-kAg>

First Prize: Hamper of Fairtrade goodies



Second prize Fairtrade Chocolate treats
Tickets available from the Parish Office, and after Sunday services
or ring Kate Crocker 07562664163