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## HOME COMMUNION

Home communion is available on request to anyone who is unable to attend church. If anyone known to you wishes to receive communion please contact one of the church wardens.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Social Events for St. James'

1<sup>st</sup> December Christmas Coffee Morning

13<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Meal.

Some dates and venues to be confirmed.

Full details to be published on News sheet nearer to the events.

Also other events may be arranged. Keep checking.

## MONTHLY CHARITY

October -Christian Aid Harvest Appeal £80

November - Birmingham Childrens Hospital

## ST. JAMES 100 CLUB

We are looking to recruit new members for the 100 club for 2019. The 100 club provides a great source of revenue for our church and anyone interested in joining should speak to Richard, Chris Worley, Kay or Michael.

## MISSING PICTURE

A picture of the Old Infant School was hanging at the back of Church next to the old school bell. It seems to be missing. Does anyone know where it is? Joy Pluckrose.

## ST.JAMES' BULKINGTON

### PARISH CHURCH

*'A Church of the community  
for the community'*

We extend a warm welcome to any visitors with us today. All are invited to come and receive communion or to receive a blessing. Please stay afterwards for coffee and fellowship.

## NEWS SHEET FOR WEEK COMMENCING

25th November

St James Bulkington and  
St. Botolph Burton Hastings

### Today's Services

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> November

Christ the King

10.00a.m. Parish Communion

12.00p.m. Baptism

4.30p.m. Evensong Burton Hastings

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> November

10.00 a.m. Holy Communion

7.30pm Induction of Rev. Charles Higgins



## DECEMBER SERVICES

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> December Advent Sunday

**8.30a.m. Holy Communion Burton Hastings**

10.00a.m. All Age Worship Café Church

4.30 p.m. Parish Communion

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December

10.00a.m. Holy Communion

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent

10.00 a.m. Parish Communion

**4.30p.m. Evensong Burton Hastings**

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December

10.00 a.m. Holy Communion

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent

**8.30a.m. Holy Communion Burton Hastings**

10.00a.m. Parish Communion

6.30p.m. Carol Service BULKINGTON

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December

10.00a.m. Holy Communion

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> December

4.30p.m. Christingle

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent

10.00a.m. Parish Communion

**4.30p.m. Carol Service Burton Hastings**

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> December

4.00 p.m. Crib Service

11.00p.m. Midnight Mass

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Day

10.00 Parish Communion

The services for December may be subject to change as they were scheduled before the Induction of Rev. Charles.

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Alasdair Rowan, Paul Towers, Sheila Taunton,  
Matthew Williams, Margaret Wykes, Pat Gilbey.  
Those in our Prayer Corner. Anyone known to us  
personally.  
Those who have died; Zylpher Maureen Giddings  
and Brian Bird

## REFLECTIONS.

This Sunday, the last Sunday before Advent is known as 'stir up Sunday' taken from the words at the beginning of the collect for the day found in the Book of Common Prayer.

'Stir up, we beseech thee, O Lord, the wills of thy faithful people'

According to tradition Victorian families would gather on this Sunday to make and stir up their Christmas puddings, which as all good cooks know should be made in advance of the big day and then heated up for several hours on Christmas Morning ready to be served after the main course having had brandy poured over it and set fire to.

Silver six pences were put into the puddings to bring good luck and each member of the family stirred it whilst making a wish for the coming year. I've been known to make a pudding and a Christmas Cake but it's a very rare occasion now.

The Victorians had a point get the preparations underway early to gain more time later on This Sunday is also celebrated as Christ the King. Instituted by Pope Pius XI in 1925

He said it was to remind catholic people of their allegiance to Christ, coming just after the end of the 1st world war, it was to demonstrate that true lasting peace can only be found in Christ Jesus, the prince of peace who sits at the right hand of God, king of kings, lord of lords.

Most Anglican communities also celebrate this feast day on the last Sunday before Advent.

Perhaps we should take time this weekend to reflect as we stir up our Christmas puddings and make a wish for lasting world peace as we too remember the end of the 1st world war a hundred years ago.

Perhaps we should pray that our wills be stirred up enough to make a difference in our world as we look forward to our coming journey through Advent.

Sue Turner

## CHRISTMAS MEAL REMINDER



Final payment is required by Sunday December 2<sup>nd</sup> please. Either to Joy or Pam.

## CAROL SERVICE



It's that time of year again folks, the Advent season is almost upon us. The nine lessons and carols service takes place earlier than usual, and will be on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 6-30pm. As always, I would love to hear from anyone who would like to read one of the traditional lessons at this service. I'm usually around after morning service, or I can be contacted via our churchwardens, or by message on St. James Facebook page, thank you, Ginny Castledine.

## Coffee Morning

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December  
10.a.m. – 12.30p.m.



COMPETITION  
Mince Pie Baking

Nothing serious,

four short crust pastry pies on a plate.

Rules and signup sheet along with the usual signup sheet for cakes and help at back of church.

There will also be our usual Memory Stars, a small Craft Table and Christmas Raffle and Tombola.

Come along in your Christmas hats and jumpers join in the fun.



## CHRISTMAS LIGHTS TOMBOLA



Thank you to all who helped with the Tombola Stall for the lights switch on and all who donated bottles. The stall raised £130. Kay and Michael would like to thank all who stepped into the breach at the last minute as Michael had been admitted to hospital.