Useful Contact Information

Rector

(usually off-duty Friday)

Revd Damian Harrison-Miles 01932 481167 rector@stjamesweybridge.org.uk



Curate (usually off-duty Friday)

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Church Wardens

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Administrator & Parish Centre Bookings

Alyson Percival 01932 856399 parishadministrator@stjamesweybridge.org.uk

PCC Secretary & Safeguarding

Donna Miller 07790 005519 pccsecretary@stjamesweybridge.org.uk

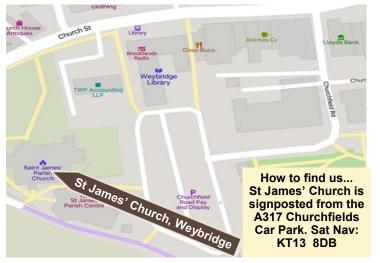


St James' Church - Living History

It is not known exactly how old the original church was, but it was believed to have been built sometime between 666 and 1175 meaning there may well have been a place of worship at the heart of Weybridge at the time of the Norman Conquest, with worship connected to Chertsey Abbey until the Reformation. Indeed Weybridge was a settlement recorded in the Domesday Book, in the hundred of Elmbridge and the county of Surrey. In 1848 the church was rebuilt in gothic style, one of the earliest works of John Loughborough Pearson (architect of Truro Cathedral). Then the original much smaller medieval church building was demolished. Today we have the challenge of maintaining this beautiful landmark building for the benefit of future generations, and the community of Weybridge.

Projects for 2025/26 include an upgrade to the sound system, Tower re-pointing and creation of a new Garden of Remembrance for the burial of ashes.

St James' Church is open daily from 9.15am to 12.30pm when you are very welcome to take a tour, or just stop, rest, pray and perhaps light a candle or leave a prayer card. Everyone is always welcome at St James' Church.



Weekday Services and Activities

The Church is open daily 9.15 am—12.30 pm

Monday 9.15am Morning Prayer

9.15am-11.15 The Ark (term-time)

Tuesday 9.15am Morning Prayer

7.30pm Handbells practice

Wednesday 9.15am Morning Prayer

11am Said Eucharist

11:30am Church Café open

7.30pm Choir practice

Thursday 9.15am Morning Prayer

7.30pm Bell ringing practice

Sundays

8.00am Said Eucharist (Holy Communion)
10.00am Sung Parish Eucharist & choir
with Junior Church for children (1st, 3rd-5th Sun)

11am Refreshments

served in The Parish Centre

11:30am Family Service *held monthly on the second Sunday*

12noon Holy Baptism

usually held monthly on the fourth Sunday

The Parish Office is usually open 9am—3pm Monday— Thursday 01932 856399



The Parish Church of Weybridge www.stjamesweybridge.org.uk

In this leaflet you will find:

- Details of a range of groups and activities
- Contact info for the Clergy, Church Wardens, Parish Administrator, group leaders, and many others within the church family and wider community
- Times of services and general information.

On behalf of the Ministry Team & Congregation, *Welcome* to St James' Church.

There has been a church presence here in Weybridge for nearly 1,000 years and today we offer a warm welcome at the heart of our vibrant town centre.

At St James' we are committed to proclaiming the inclusive love of God for all people, encouraging all ages in the Christian Faith, and enjoying the fellowship of our wonderful and growing intergenerational church community.

In addition to this leaflet I commend to you our Church Facebook page: www.facebook.com/stjamesweybridge which contains a wealth of up to date information. If we can help in any way, please do get in touch. We hope to see you at St James' Church soon. Every blessing to you and yours, **Revd Damian Harrison-Miles, Rector**On behalf of our Church community

Church Community and Worship

Worship is at the heart of the Christian life.
We enjoy vibrant Anglican catholic services, inclusive and intergenerational. Our 10am Sunday service is centred in Holy Communion as we gather around the altar. We follow the Church of England calendar for bible readings, seasons and festivals. Come along and join in the celebration!

BAPTISM, WEDDINGS, BLESSINGS AND FUNERALS

Please contact our Parish Administrator on 01932 856399 or email: parishadministrator@stjamesweybridge.org.uk

MONTHLY SERVICE OF HOLY BAPTISM

Usually every fourth Sunday of the month at 12pm. If you would like your children baptised (Christened) at St James' Church, please contact the Parish Office.

FLOWER ARRANGERS

Our team of dedicated Flower Arrangers usually work in pairs each Friday morning to arrange flowers for the Church. For significant church celebrations (Christmas, Easter & Harvest), the whole team works together to make extra special displays.

No special qualifications are required to help, just a commitment and a love of flowers. If you would like to find out more about our team, please call in to church on a Friday morning between 10 -11am to see what is going on, or contact Louise, on 07809 264884.

BELL RINGERS

The Bell Ringers are a merry band with ages spanning 10-100 years old. You do not have to be strong or musical to learn, just have commitment and a sense of humour. We practice every Thursday evening from 7:45 - 9pm. You are also expected to ring on Sunday morning from 9:30 -10am. Why not give it a try? For more information please contact the Tower Secretary Linda, on 01932 830947.

ST JAMES' CHURCH CHOIR

Music features prominently at St James'. Our choir sings at Sunday 10am and festival services, for weddings and funerals. Christmas and Easter are joyful occasions! We practice on Wednesday evenings in the Church from 7.30-9pm for adult choristers. New members are very welcome! If you would like to join the choir, speak to our Director of Music, Lindsay Bridgwater, after a service or through the Parish Office.

HANDBELLS

The Handbell Ringers of St James 'are members of the Handbell Ringers of Great Britain. We meet on Tuesday at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre small hall. All are welcome. Remember, you only need to be able to count to 4! Contact Alan on 07746 398819.



Your guide to activities at

St James' Church Weybridge

Parish Office Email: parishadministrator@stjamesweybridge.org.uk

Young People and Children

FAMILY SERVICE

We meet at 11:30am on the **2nd Sunday monthly** for songs, prayers and child-centred craft. Arrive early for 11am to meet our church community over coffee and other refreshments in the Parish Centre.

JUNIOR CHURCH

Junior Church meets every **1st**, **3rd**, **4th & 5th Sunday of the month during term-time**. Junior Church takes place in the small hall at 10am, finishing in Church for a blessing at the Eucharist. For details please contact: Sue on 07799 052685.

THE ARK

The Ark welcomes all babies and pre-school children and their carers to a morning of play, singing, and fun for both the little ones and



adults. Refreshments provided! **9.15—11.15am** *every Monday during term-time* in the Church. For further details or any questions please call Sue on 07947 031575 or the Parish Office.

LEGO CLUB

3rd Sunday monthly at 4pm in the Small Hall. A Sunday afternoon club for all young Lego builders aged 5-12 years. The cost is £3 per child and includes a simple hot meal. This is a family participation group and a parent or guardian must remain with the children. To book a place email the Parish Office.

COMPASS

A group dedicated to young people aged 18—30 years. We meet regularly for social events, in small groups for study, discussion & food. Co-ordinator: Jane Mason. Email the Parish Office to be added to our contact list.



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Website: stjamesweybridge.org.uk

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Meet the Team

MINISTRY TEAM (LITURGY & PASTORAL)

We plan worship, take communion to the housebound and sick and look after the pastoral ministry of our church family.

Contact: Fr Damian Harrison-Miles 01932 481167 Email: rector@stjamesweybridge.org.uk

WELCOME & STEWARDSHIP

Our vision is an inclusive, diverse, intergenerational and growing church at the heart of Weybridge, where everyone is encouraged to share in fellowship, faith and discipleship. We offer a warm welcome to all, as we walk alongside the community of Weybridge in love and service, proclaiming the Good News for all.

Did you know it costs over £4000 a week to run St James' Church? If you can help in any way please do get in touch.

Contact: Donna Miller

foodbank

pccsecretary@stjamesweybridge.org.uk RUNNYMEDE AND WEYBRIDGE

FOODBANK AT ST JAMES'

The Foodbank operates from St James' Church Thursdays 13:00-15:00.

Vouchers are required to access this service. Our foodbank works with a number of agencies, including Citizens Advice, children's centres, schools, DWP Job Centre and health visitors. To find out more about the agencies that hold our e-vouchers and how you can get help, please contact 01932 940563. Donations of food can be left at our collection point at the rear of the church every morning between 9:15 and 12:30. Our website is regularly updated with a list of needs/required items. Anyone wishing to volunteer can find information at: www.runnymede.foodbank.org.uk or contact 01932 940563. Help is specifically required at St James' Church to set up / run sessions. Please contact our coordinator Colin via the Parish Office. Thank you.

FRIENDS OF ST JAMES' CHURCH

The Friends is a registered charity founded in 1988 to raise funds for the repair, restoration and maintenance of the fabric of our Grade II Listed Victorian Gothic architectural gem, which recently celebrated its 175th Anniversary.

Funds are raised through a variety of social events (e.g. quiz, jazz supper, guest speakers) and annual membership fees.

The minimum fee is £15 p.a. - but there's no maximum, to join is easy! Contact Carole on 01932 845174.