



**ST JAMES'
WEYBRIDGE**

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THIS WEEK AT ST JAMES' CHURCH, WEYBRIDGE

St James' Church is open daily 9.15am-12.30pm

Mon 8 th	9:15am Morning Prayer; 9:15am The Ark; 6.30pm Lodge Brothers Memorial Service.
Tues 9 th	9:00am Vestry team; 9:15am Morning Prayer via Zoom; 11am Bridge Court communion; 7:30pm Handbells.
Wed 10 th	9:15am Morning Prayer; 11:00am Said Eucharist followed by Church Café; 7pm Compass pizza party; 7:30pm Choir practice.
Thurs 11 th	9:15am Morning Prayer; 11am Norfolk House communions; 12noon Foodbank; 6-10pm Heathside Concert.
Friday 12 th	Fr Tom is off duty today; 7:30pm WMVC Concert in Church – SOLD OUT.
Saturday 13 th	9.15am Morning Prayer.

NEXT SUNDAY: Advent 3 - 14th December

8am Said Eucharist, 10am Sung Eucharist, 11.30am Family Service, 6pm Nine Lessons & Carols

LOOKING AHEAD... DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 8th December 6.30pm - Memorial Service in association with Lodge Brothers Funeral Directors.

Sunday 14th December (Advent 3) 6pm - NINE LESSONS & CAROLS, followed by mulled wine and mince pies.

Friday 19th December 7.30pm - Treble Clef concert.

Tickets: www.ticketsource.co.uk/trebleclef

Sunday 21st December (Advent 4) 4pm Family & Children's (Lego Club/Junior Church) Christmas Party in the Main Hall.

Monday 22nd December – 2pm Norfolk House Carols

Christmas Eve, Wednesday 24th December

11am Said Eucharist *followed by Church Café*; 3pm & 5pm Crib & Toy Services; 11:30pm Midnight Mass.

Christmas Day, Thursday 25th December

10am Sung Festival Eucharist followed by coffee & cake

FOODBANK REQUESTS

We need to add the following to our cupboard: tinned fruit/meat soup/veggie meals, fruit juice, shampoo & sanitary pads. Christmas chocolates and other treats are also needed!

CHURCH CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

Incorporating Lego Club, Junior Church, and all church children, we are holding our ever-popular Christmas party in place of the usual Lego Club session on Sunday 21st December from 4-6 pm in the Parish Centre, Main Hall. Please book your child in at info@stjamesweybridge.org.uk

FAITH CONFIRMED GROUPS

Introduction sessions 1pm & 7.30pm Tuesday 6th January.

Cheques should only be made payable to: **Weybridge PCC**. We have a contactless payment device for card payments in Church.

Reg. Charity No: 1130714. Items for the newsletter and mailer by Tuesday 9am - items to rector@stjamesweybridge.org.uk

Advent 2 – 7th December 2025

Gluten free wafers are available; please ask a warden.

For use of the hearing loop please select T.

Today Fr Damian is leading worship in Esher Parish.

8am Said Eucharist

Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Tom.

10am Sung Festival Eucharist with Junior Church

Celebrant, Preacher & Gospeller: Fr Tom. Organist: Iain Cowden. Reader: Hans. Intercessor: Ann D. Servers: Basil, Jane & Julia. EM's: David, Donna, Julia & Neill. Sides-persons: Di, Matt, Alison & Margaret. Coffee: Pat & Carole. Warden & Lock-up: Sue Barnes. **Nominated Person: Steve Mason.**

Introit Christ, whose glory fills the skies **234**

Candle Song see Advent service card

Gradual Prepare the way of the Lord see reverse

Offertory Hills of the north, rejoice **7**

Communion O come, O come, Emmanuel **11**

Anthem How beautiful upon the Mountains **Stainer**

Recessional Long ago, prophets knew **10**

This service is followed by refreshments in the Parish Centre

The 10am Eucharist is available to view live at:

www.facebook.com/stjamesweybridge and on YouTube

6pm Compline up in the Chancel

Led by Steve Mason. Reader: Jane Mason.

Warden: Juliet Marsh.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

If you'd like a name added please contact the Parish Office.

Please remember in your prayers the following who are in need:

In Acute Need: Amy, Christine, Christopher, Connie, David, Deanna, Fiona, Graham, Haiqouy, Heather, Helen, Ian, Jane, Kathy, Lindsay, Lisa, Margaret, Neville, Robin, Rory, Sarah, Sheila, Stephen, Susan & Tony.

Recently Departed: Dillian Robbins, Joe Beresford, Martin Dixon, Marianne Sahagian, & Gloria Blanchard.

In the Year's Mind: Michael Veitch, Eric Barnes & Peter Prevost.

Our Director of Music, Lindsay Bridgwater, has been unwell and is taking some leave. Please keep him, and his wife Marianne in your thoughts and prayers. He hopes to be back with us soon.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

We will be collecting donations (card/£) for Christmas flowers on the 7th and 14th – all support is appreciated. Thank you!

SMALL GROUPS AT ST JAMES'

If you have not already joined a small group, and would like to do so or hear more information, please email Fr. Tom at curate@stjamesweybridge.org.uk

COLLECT

O Lord, raise up, we pray, your power and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness we are grievously hindered in running the race that is set before us, your bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING **Isaiah 11.1–10**

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah. A shoot shall come out from the stock of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins. The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea. On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious. This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL

Canon

Pre - **A** - pare the way of the Lord. Pre-**B** - pare the way of the Lord, and

all **C** - peo-**D** - ple will see the sal - va - tion of our God. Pre -

GOSPEL

Matthew 3.1–12

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.' This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, 'The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: "Prepare the

way of the Lord, make his paths straight." Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, 'You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, "We have Abraham as our ancestor"; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the axe is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing-floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.' This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Father in heaven, who sent your Son to redeem the world and will send him again to be our judge: give us grace so to imitate him in the humility and purity of his first coming that, when he comes again, we may be ready to greet him with joyful love and firm faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

LEGO CLUB

For children and young people aged 4+, accompanied by a parent or carer. £3 per child, with a simple meal provided. Our next session is **Sunday 18th January at 4pm**. Do book a space at info@stjamesweybridge.org.uk

ST JAMES' CHRISTMAS CARDS

There are beautiful Christmas cards designed by Valerie Bird for sale at the back of the church. Cards are £1.50 each, and can be paid for in cash or via the card machine.

JUNIOR CHURCH & FAMILY SERVICE

Our last Junior Church for children 3–11 years before the Christmas break is this Sunday 7th December in the Small Hall at 10 am. We will resume on Sunday 19th January 2026. Our next Family Service is Sunday 14th December at 11.30 am. Everyone is welcome!

WEYBRIDGE CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL THANK YOU

A sincere thanks to everyone who participated in preparations, including making all those lovely Christingle, decorating the church and trees, on the day, clearing up and more to make the festival a huge success. Your support and contributions were invaluable and helped to create a wonderful day! See thank you letter attached to Mailer.